

Dewdrops

Welcome

We are so excited to start a new school year in the Dew Drops class! There is so much growth that occurs in this year and we cannot wait to get started. You will find that there are many more activities made available for your child throughout the day. With this we find that the kids begin going from their independent or parallel play to beginning to engage in associative play with their classmates as they explore different ways interact with their peers. They will learn how to play together and how to communicate effectively.

The ages between 1-2 are a very precious time for your child. Did you know that half of all the growing you do in your life happens before you are two? As a teacher, it is amazing to see their growth and development over the course of a year.

We are looking forward to starting the new school year with our fantastic new Dewdrops class. We are excited to get to know each child and their families.

Getting Started

When you come in for your first day of the school year, you will find that each child has a cubby to keep their belongings. This is where you will keep their coats, boots, extra clothes, special nap time items, etc. We ask that each child has at least two sets of extra clothes to be kept in their cubbies. These will come in handy if/when we get super messy or wet and need to be changed. A coat and boots can also be kept in your child's cubby for when the weather begins to turn wet and muddy. We do try to get outside as much as possible and will be going outside if it is lightly raining. Our playground has a covered area, but most of us like to explore the puddles that can form. If your child has a special nap time blanket or stuffed animal, it could also be stored in their cubby. Please refrain from putting any toys or food into the cubbies, as often other kids may get a hold of it.

Diapers are stored under the changing table in our classroom. Each child has a labeled cubby to keep their diapers in. Please check regularly and keep well stocked.

In addition to each child having their own cubby, they will have a Parent Pocket. This is where you will find notes from teachers, the office, incident reports, etc. Please make sure to check your parent pouches every day at pick up. There are also pockets for each teacher to leave them a note if you would like to.

The art file is on the grey counter in the back of the room, each child has a file folder that gets filled with all of the art work they do during free choice, at the easel, or project time will be found in our art files. They are so proud of all the work that they do at school and love to tell their families all about it.

In the morning we find that quick drop offs typically help your child get their day started. Please try to drop off before 9:30am. We begin our morning circle time shortly after.

Meet the Dewdrops Teachers

In the Dewdrops class, we have Tatiana aka Tania (myself) as the Lead Teacher, Lana as the Lead Assistant Teacher, and Brooke as our Afternoon Assistant. I have been teaching preschool since 2014. I started back in my country Moldova, then, I moved to the USA and I came to Shyne School in March of 2019 as an assistant. I graduated Pedagogical College Alexei Mateevici of Chisinau, and the Faculty of History and Philosophy at Moldova State University.

I absolutely love this age group, especially watching how much growth happens at this stage. It is so amazing how far these kids come in such a short time frame. I design my lesson plans around the interest of the group or events that are occurring, such as the seasons. I really enjoy watching the kids explore new ways to use materials, which at times gets a bit messy. I am always available by email dewdrops@shyneschool.com. Schedule Monday thru Friday 8:30 am–4:30pm

Lana is the Lead Assistant Teacher in the Dewdrops Class; Lana has been at the Shyne School since 2000. She absolutely loves what she does. She was born and raised in Ukraine, and currently lives in Woodinville. She is STARS Certified and has over 150 hours in early childhood education training. She is a mother of two grown daughters and has five beautiful grandchildren. She cares for her elderly stepmother, enjoys cooking, shopping for deals, and chocolate. She is always ready with a smile and a hug. Schedule Monday-Friday 7:00 am-3:00 pm

Our Afternoon Assistant is Brooke, she has been with the Shyne School since 2019 and is wonderful with the Kids, Brooke enjoys playing with and getting to come spend time with the kids. She is STARS certified and has had many years of experience working with children of all ages. On her free time, she enjoys hiking and getting out into nature. She also lets teachers go on their breaks as well and closes the school. Schedule Monday thru Friday from 12:30am– 6:00 pm.

DEWDROPS DAILY SCHEDULE

7:30- 9:30 Drop off

7:30 - 9:40 Free Play Activity choice (art, math, science, sensory)

9:45 - 10:00 Circle Time

10:00 - 10:30 Snack Time

10:30 - 11:00 Free Play + Activity choice (sensory, art, math, science) and Diaper changing

11:00 - 12:00 Free play outside

12:00 - 12:30 Lunch

12:30 - 12:45 Diaper changing and Parent pick-up

1:00 - 3:00 Nap Time

3:00 - 3:30 Afternoon Snack Time

3:30 - 4:00 Free Play + Diaper changing

4:00 - 5:00 Free Play outside (weather depending)

5:00 - 5:30 Evening snack + parent pick-up

5:30 - 6:00 parent pick-up

Please note...We are flexible with our schedule to accommodate the interest of the child.