## **Welcome Busy Bees!**

Hi! My name is Ms. Desirée and I am so excited to be your child's teacher for the 2024/2025 school year. I grew up in Orlando and moved to Ocala four and a half years ago with my family. I have three children, ages 8, 7 and 5. All 3 have attended St Pauls and regularly return for the playground. The wonderful Ms.Selena will be our assistant this year and if your child is attending full time they will also have sweet Ms Liv on Tuesdays and Thursdays. We are thrilled to meet you and your little one and look forward to our upcoming time together.

We have many fun activities planned including painting, playdough, sensory bins, coloring, water and sand tables, playground and many more adventures. We will be reaching milestones together as a class and individually. We will sing songs, read books, and play every day. We will learn to be kind and share, take turns, use the potty, wash our hands, wait our turn, and make friends. My desire is for your child to have fun, while learning and growing in countless ways.

I realize that for most of the children this will be their first experience at school or away from family members. We will have tears, but they will pass. Some will take longer than others and that's okay. We will work together to make the transition as smooth as possible. One way to help is to plan on saying goodbye at the door, give them a big hug goodbye and let them come in, by themselves, to class at 8:30am. Reassure them that you'll be back at 11:45am to pick them up.

We have a **mid-morning** snack each day. Please pack a lunch/snack bag with a healthy snack and drink. Some easy ideas include fruit, pretzels, crackers and cheese.

I have enclosed an **information sheet** for you to fill out about your child so that I can get to know them better and you can share the things that make your child special! I've also included a **supply list**. Please bring the information sheet and supplies to Meet the Teacher day. (Ms Liv and I will share information so only one set of supplies and info sheet is needed per child.)

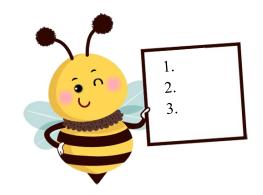
Meet the Teacher will be held on Friday, August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024 from 9:00am to 10:00am. The first day of school is Monday, August 19th, at 8:30am.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out via phone or email at 407-580-4061 or desvclark@gmail.com.

Sincerely, *Ms. Desirée Clark* 

## Busy Bee Supply List

2024-2025



- o 1 roll paper towels
- o 1 box Kleenex
- o 2 diaper wipes (unscented)
- o 1 container Clorox wipes
- o 1 bottle/can disinfectant spray
- 1 box fruit snacks (Feel free to get a dye free one if you want)
- 1 bag goldfish (or the equivalent)
- An extra set of clothes in a ziplock bag with your child's name on it (please include shirt, bottoms, socks and underwear if applicable)

## Optional:

- o Playdough
- 1 box gallon Ziplock Bags
- 1 box- sandwich Ziplock Bags
- o chalk

Please bring these items on Meet the Teacher Day on August 16th. This will make our first day of school easier if all the supplies are already in place.



## **Getting to Know Your Child**

Child's Name
Parents Names
Sibling(s) Name and Age(s)
Primary Caregiver
Medical Concerns or Allergies
Diapers/Pull Ups or Potty training?
What 3 words would you use to describe your child?
What is your child's favorite activity?
What is your child's least favorite activity?
How can I help comfort your child when they are upset?
What would you like to see your child learn this year?

Any specific concerns or comments?

