



First Covenant Treehouse Preschool & TK

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Date: September 13, 2023
To: Treehouse Parents
From: Jan E. Nienu, Director
Re: Important events

Welcome to Treehouse Preschool. We look forward to an amazing year together with your family.

It is a privilege to have your family here with us at Treehouse. We are enjoying getting to know and teach your children. It is also a real joy to have our students back from last year all grown up, much taller, and wiser.

The children are making friends with each other and are learning our schedule. While we still experience some crying in the Little Angels and Preschool classes, it is getting better each day. They are feeling more comfortable with our teachers and their new friends. Please know that your children are in good hands.

The staff at Treehouse are experts in what they do. They are kind, caring and conscientious. They are all loving and exceptionally gifted. The majority of the Treehouse staff have served here for many years and they know the drill. They are here to love, support and teach your children.

As parents, it is difficult to leave our crying children behind but know that your children are so loved. Say a prayer for your child and for the teachers when you feel a little sad. On a brighter note, after they settle down and make friends, they will not want to come home. Some of the children who cried the first few days are now smiling at each other.

Good job parents for hanging in there. Things will get better, we promise.

The following are a few important reminders:

School Pictures: Thursday, September 21 and Friday, September 22.

Marielle Hayes will come and take pictures of our children.

The pictures will be taken outside so dress your child accordingly. To avoid distractions, we ask that parents do not stay for the picture taking.

The Little Angels and Preschool Classes will take their pictures on Thursday, September 21, and the Pre-K and Transitional Kindergarten students will have their pictures taken on Friday, September 22. Pictures will be available for viewing online. There is no obligation to purchase the pictures. To participate please fill out the form and return it to the office by Monday, September 18. The forms are in your sign in/out page.

Tuition Fees Are Due by the 5th of Each Month

Beginning with November tuition which is due October 1st, payments received after the 5th of the month will be charged a late fee of \$15. If you have not paid for the month of October, which was due September 1st, please do so as soon as possible. Remember, payments are due one month ahead.

Sign-In and Sign-Out

It is very important that you sign your child in and out when you drop off and pick up. Please use your full signature, not just your initials, and always indicate the exact time. If you forget to sign in, you will be called to come back and sign your child in.

Tuition Checks

Checks can be made payable to “**Treehouse First Covenant Church**” or “**First Covenant Church Treehouse**”. Both are accepted by the bank. Please use the memo line for your child’s name.

Change of Clothes

Please bring a change of clothes for your child to be kept at school for emergency use. They will be returned to you at the end of the school year.

Treehouse Family Connection

We will be creating a school directory for Treehouse families. This will be released the end of October and each family will receive a copy. We are looking forward to a wonderful school year together! It is our sincere prayer that the Lord will bless and keep you and give your family much joy and happiness this coming year and always.

Parking Lot

Please be careful when backing out of parking spaces. We have many small children that are hard to see. Remember to drive slowly.

Spanish Language in TK

Teacher Lorena will teach basic Spanish curriculum in the TK classroom.

Japanese Language in PK

Teacher Taiko will be teaching basic Japanese in the PK class.

Lunch Preparation

When preparing lunch for your child, please be sure to have all items bite size. Food such as **grapes** and **cherry tomatoes** need to be cut in quarters or smaller as to not be a choking hazard.

Pick up

Children with a 9:00-4:00 schedule must be picked up promptly at 4:00 pm. Children who are full time must be picked up promptly at 6:00 pm. There is \$1 per minute charged after 6:00 pm.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. I will be very happy to meet with you and comfort you in any way I can as we make this transition together. Remember that children are not the only ones going through separation anxiety. The grown-ups are also experiencing separation anxiety as you enter a new chapter in your lives. Sending your little ones to a new school is huge. It is an adjustment for the entire family. May you be blessed and find joy as you celebrate this new season in your lives. I am here to support you, pray with you and hold your hand during this exciting new season. You are welcome to email me at jan@treehousepreschool.org.