

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2026

Happy New School Year!

🚀 **3... 2... 1... BLAST OFF! Welcome to an Out-of-This-World School Year at Chesterbrook Academy - Ellis Preserve!** *In this newsletter you will find some valuable information about upcoming happenings at our school as well as a few important policies & reminders.*

Emergency Contacts & Tuition Agreements

With the start of the school year here, we are in the process of updating all of our important student and family paperwork. Please ensure to drop off or email updated Emergency Contact Forms, Signed Fee Agreements, Health Assessments, and other required documents.

Promptly returning requested paperwork helps us make sure your child's file is complete, accurate, and ready for a great start to the school year! 🍎🍌

Allergies & Dietary Preferences

If your child has any food allergies or requires medication (Benadryl, EpiPen, etc.) we **MUST** have a medication forms filled out and an Allergy Plan signed off by your pediatrician! For Dietary Restrictions including lactose intolerance, vegan/vegetarian options, etc. please let us know all preferences so we can make adjustments to meals!

Important Dates

9/1: First Day of School!
9/7: Closed for Labor Day
9/11: Grandparent's Day Celebration @3pm
9/14: Fall Ancillaries Kick Off
9/17: 4:15pm Early Release Day for Professional Development
9/23-24: Fall Picture Days

Fall Ancillaries

Fall Ancillaries are here! We are so excited to welcome back all of our Ancillaries for another 8-week session:

Abrakadoodle Art
Happy Feet Soccer
David Fuller Karate
Peter Moses Music
National Kids Gymnastics
Lil Sports
Adventure KID F.I.T.

Be on the lookout this week for our Fall Ancillary sign up sheets at the front desk.

Labeling Items

Please ensure all items that belong to your child are labeled with their full names! This includes all water bottles, extra clothes, jackets, backpacks, nap sheets, etc. This is a licensing requirement. We ask that you maintain this to the best of your ability throughout the year!

Alma & Links2Home

General Reminder about the main app/websites we use throughout your time here!

ALMA: We use ALMA for tuition purposes! The easiest way to access ALMA is through our website! What you will do is go onto our website and click "For Parents" in the top right corner! You will see "My Account" which will bring you to ALMA! >>Your username is your firstname.lastname

You can then reset your password using "Forgot Password". We do not have access to passwords or billing through ALMA but if you need support we can assist using our tech team!

Links2Home: We use Links2Home (also referred to as Tadpoles) to communicate with you all during your time here! This app is how you will access daily reports, photos, and the instant messenger function! We will also send out reminders, updates, etc through Links2Home! Both parents can have access to L2H but we will need to assist by adding the contacts into the system!

Vacation Credits

All vacation requests must be given to us two week in advance to properly apply your vacation credit. Vacation credits must be used for 5 consecutive days and cannot be used if we have already been informed of a withdrawal. For new families, you will get access to this credit after 6 months with us!

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Reminders

STUDENT DROP OFF POLICY

To ensure the best possible learning experience for all of our students, all children must be dropped off and in their classrooms by 9:30 AM each day.

Any arrival after 9:30 AM will require prior communication with the school or a doctor's note in order to be admitted for the day.

Why this matters:

Consistency is key for young learners. When children arrive late, it can cause disruption not only to their own routine, but also to the flow of the classroom. Late arrivals interrupt learning activities, impact peer interactions, and can create distractions for teachers who are focused on guiding the class.

Back to School Reset:

Preparing for a Great Year Ahead!

On 8/31, during our Back to School Reset, our teachers said goodbye to summer and set themselves up for success to kick off the school year! Together, we reviewed important safety procedures and policies, enjoyed some great team bonding, and took the time to retrain, refresh, and reset.

We look forward to continuing to share updates from our professional development throughout the year.

