

Welcome To  
Mrs. Drusch's  
Kindergarten Class



# Meet Mrs. Drusch

Please allow me to introduce myself and tell you how very excited I am to you have your child in my class. My name is Cassie Drusch. I was born and raised in Annandale and went through Annandale schools as a student. I graduated from the College of Saint Benedict in May 2017 with my Bachelors in Elementary Education. I currently live in Waverly, MN with my husband Jon and we will be expecting our first child September 2019. (More information to follow on our classroom substitute.)

Our classroom will be an environment which all students feel comfortable and safe. I am a very positive individual and hope to instill the same positive mindset with your child as well as other important traits such as; responsibility, respect, choices, and consequences. All students will be expected to work hard and make good choices toward their behavior. We can learn a lot if all students maintain positive attitudes and respect one another. Please feel free to contact me at any time with questions or concerns you may have.

Sincerely, Mrs. Drusch

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### Breakfast and Lunch

For those who do not know, St. Timothy's has breakfast available to kindergarten at no cost until 8:00am. If your son or daughter would like to eat breakfast, please have them go straight to the cafeteria in the morning. Breakfast will not be available for those arriving after 8:00am.

Alternate lunch options are most lunch days. Kindergarten will have a choice of main lunch or alternate lunch after Christmas break.

### Snack

During snack, students will receive milk free of charge. If your student is unable to have milk other arrangements can be made.

Students have the option to bring in an individual snack each day to enjoy during morning snack time. Bulk snacks will not be able to be kept in the classroom this year. If your student does not have a snack they will be able to enjoy milk with the class. Please be mindful to provide healthy snack options for your student.

### Take Home Folders

Take-home folders will be sent home nightly. Please view and remove all of the papers each night and return the folder the next day.

### Weekly Reminders

Weekly reminder emails will be sent to families each week. By reading these emails you will find out what kinds of things we are studying in class, as well as other valuable information (special dates, requests, or announcements).

### Homework

In an effort to reinforce the learning that has been taking place in school, as well as to keep parents and families involved participants in their child's learning, your student will bring home an activity to do 2-3 times a week. Homework will be sent home in take home folders. Please help your student complete the homework/activity and send back to school.

I also feel strongly that one of the most important things you can do for your child is to read with them. Studies continue to show the benefits of this, not to mention the memories you will be making with your child. Later in the school year, students will be receiving weekly take home folders. These will be required to be sent back.

\*\*More information about this will be sent home later\*\*

### Class Dojo

This year kindergarten will be using a program called Class Dojo. Class Dojo is a digital portfolio that your student will use to show their learning from school to home. Students are able to add photos, videos, drawings, voice recordings and much more to their portfolio. Families only see their own child's work after it has been approved by the teacher.

Please see the attached information regarding parent consent for creating a Class Dojo portfolio as well as information on how to access your student's portfolio.

### FYI's

In an effort to monitor student behavior (both positive and unfavorable) kindergarten will be using FYI notes to communicate between home and school. FYI's will indicate what incident or positive behavior has occurred as well as if an email/phone call was made home. FYI's will also indicate if a further meeting needs to take place.

Please feel free to always contact me with questions or concerns regarding an FYI note.

### Rest Time

Every day students will have an opportunity to read, write or rest for 30 minutes. Students may bring a blanket or towel from home to lay on the floor. Please do not send stuffed animals or pillows with for your students during this time.

### Toys/Items From Home

Kindergarten is a very exciting time and many students will want to bring items to school to share with their friends. Please leave all toys and extra items from home at home. If toys/items are brought to school the student will be asked to leave them in their backpack or the office if it is too distracting.

\*\*Please note there will be times throughout the year where you student is asked to bring an item from home to share with the class, I will send reminders before these times\*\*

### Morning Procedures

In the mornings the kindergarten classroom is open at 7:45am for students to begin their day.

Kindergarten students do not go out to the playground with the rest of the school. They come directly to the classroom unless having breakfast in the cafeteria. Students arriving before 7:45am will be directed to Saint's Club.