

PARKVIEW COOPERATIVE

PRE-SCHOOL



Extended Day and Kindergarten Readiness

Extended Day: The extended day class allows the 3-5 year olds to expand their day at Parkview. They will have lunch at school and participate in an additional planned activity. This is not "free play" but rather a planned play or learning experience. We will have lessons in yoga, dance, martial arts, as well as, some lessons developed by Mrs. Snell and Mrs. C. This is a longer day to help little ones broaden their attention span, enable them to feel comfortable away from home, learn to work as a group, and have fun. We hope that you will join us!

Kindergarten Readiness: Is simply what the name implies. In class, the children will be learning additional skills to enable them to have a successful transition into Kindergarten. We will work on:

- writing our names, letters, and numbers
- learning our address and phone numbers
- social skills like: raising our hands, sitting at attention, being able to speak in front of others, being a good audience, being attentive to teacher and classmates, quietly moving in the hallways, being responsible for one's own property, and working cooperatively with others on a task or in a game.
- following directions, even when we just don't want to.

A typical day could include gathering in a circle after lunch and talking about the letter for the day, as well as, thinking of as many things as we can that start with the chosen letter. These items might be chosen to be included in their drawing that they will share with their classmates later in the day. When we break from the circle, we will write our names, the day's letter, and create a drawing. During this time, the children will be called out to work on their address and phone numbers. Once most of the children are done, we will read a story or begin sharing our pictures. If time allows, we will play a game of soft ball or some other game to learn how to follow the rules. Another day, we may go on an alphabet walk, practice a play, create scenery, or even do some cooking.

Mrs. Snell and Mrs. C. look forward to many adventures.