

## **Parent-Teacher Communication**

Communication with families is a vital component of our program and facilitates a relationship with the classroom teacher, educational team and school staff. This may be accomplished through a variety of ways such as:

- Class Dojo
- Weekly Newsletters
- Emails
- Phone Calls
- Parent Teacher Conferences
- School Events
- Trimester Goal Updates (Students with IEPs)
- Report Cards
- Home Visits
- Backpack (check daily)

## **Parent Involvement**

Parents and caregivers alike are an integral part of a child's life and academic team! Parents are strongly encouraged to participate in various events over the school year to gain greater insight into a child's classroom functioning.

<u>Open House:</u> At the beginning of each school year, parents are invited to attend an Open House event, which is a wonderful opportunity to meet your child's teacher, paraprofessional, related service providers (if applicable), and see your child's classroom! Open house allows parents to see a glimpse of your child's day as a tiger tot. For the 2023-2024 school year, the Open House is scheduled on **Wednesday**, **August 23**, **2023 from 8:30-9:50 for AM students**, **and from 10:00-11:20 for PM students**.

<u>Parent Teacher Conferences:</u> Parent Teacher Conferences are another opportunity to speak to teachers and/or related service providers regarding your child's functioning in the classroom setting. Parents are strongly encouraged to attend parent teacher conferences so they can also learn more about what is being taught in the classroom and how to generalize it to the home setting. Parent Teacher Conferences are held twice a year in November and March. Attending conferences both in November and March allow for teachers and parents alike sufficient time to document and discuss a child's progress.

For the 2023-2024 school year, parent teacher conferences will be held on the following dates:

- Thursday, November 2, 2023 from 4:00 to 8:00 PM
- Thursday, November 9, 2023 from 4:00 to 8:00 PM
- Thursday, March 14, 2024 from 4:00 to 8:00 PM
- Thursday, March 21, 2024 from 4:00 to 8:00 PM



<u>Home Visits:</u> Children who are deemed eligible for the Preschool for All grant (PFA) are subject to home visits. Home visits function to build a partnership between teaching staff and caregivers, to provide the best outcomes for your child. Home visits may include bringing learning activities or additional resources into the home, discussing the needs of the child, possible solutions, in addition to discussion regarding a child's strengths and areas of weakness. Families and caregivers are encouraged to use this as an opportunity to discuss ways classroom learning can be generalized to the home context.

For the 2023-2024 school year, home visits are scheduled on the following dates:

- Friday, November 10, 2023
- Friday, March 12, 2024

Preschool is not in session on scheduled home visit dates.