BEGINNING SCHOOL

SCHOOL VISIT
Three's children, and their caregivers, should plan to visit on Friday, August 30, 2019 from 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM. Parent(s) or caregivers, may accompany their child to meet the teachers, see their room, and connect with families.

PHASING-IN DAYS
The children will be phasing-in to preschool during the week of September 3rd. Please make yourself available to stay at school during the phasing-in days in case your child is not yet ready to separate from you. We will have coffee available in the office so you can relax there if your child is ready for you to leave briefly.

If you need an updated copy of the phasing-in schedule, there are extra copies available. If there are any further changes, you will be notified as soon as possible.

ITEMS TO BRING
We encourage you to send your child to school wearing clothes that are appropriate for messy play.

Please send:
• 2 complete sets of extra clothes & 1 pair of athletic shoes (if possible).
• Diapers or pull-ups, if your child wears them.
• A helmet for your child. (For using a tricycle, scooter or wagon.)

**Please LABEL everything with your child’s name!

Backpacks help transport important school paperwork. Color-coded folders will safely carry important information and should be sent back to school empty.

Please find the “All About Me” card located in your Parent Handbook. Please glue or tape a photo collage of your child and family, then answer the questions and return the card to school with your child. We’ll look at these together to get to know each other!

BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS
Be a kind friend.
Stay in your own space.
Use walking feet.
Listen the first time.
Use your words.
Use things appropriately.
Follow the routine.
Use inside voices.
Put everything in its place.

Lights Off means stop, look and listen.
**SCHOOL DAY SCHEDULE**

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- 12:00 - 12:10 Bathroom and wash hands
- 12:10 - 12:40 Lunch - In Red Room
- 12:40 - 12:50 Closing Circle
- 12:50 - 1:00 Prepare for Dismissal

**AM 3’s WEBSITE**

The AM 3’s program will also have a website that will provide details about the day, photos, schedules and other pertinent information about the program. Anyone can become a member of the site once the teachers give confirmation. The site address is:

http://cmuthreesprogram.webs.com/

**PARENT INVOLVEMENT/VISITS**

*Read or share a special talent or interest.*

*Observe the classes at any time from the booth. Please remember to whisper and silence your cell phones.*

*Please let us know in writing of any carpool or dismissal changes. We suggest that you use the Parent-to-Teacher Message forms included in your parent handbook.*

Please feel free to call (412) 268-2199 between 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM if you wish to speak with us directly. If we are teaching when you call, we will happily return your call as soon as possible. We can also be reached by e-mail:

- csa10@andrew.cmu.edu
- llfurman@andrew.cmu.edu
- aconeill@andrew.cmu.edu
- salinet@andrew.cmu.edu

Mrs. Caitlin Armbruster
Mrs. Lisa Loomis
Ms. Anne O’Neill
Mr. Timothy Salinetro

**MUSIC**

Every other Thursday, we will have a music class with Mrs. Hraber. She will teach us theme-related songs, introduce us to different instruments, and lead us as we play musical games!

**FOCUSING OUR INSTRUCTION**

This year the whole school thematic unit will be “Planet Earth”. We will be learning about Earth’s physical properties, as well as talking about the people and animals that populate our planet.

**CAR SEAT SAFETY**

Please see Parent Handbook (p. 34).

**SCHOOL DELAYS & CANCELLATIONS**

Please see the parent handbook for information concerning school cancellations and delays due to weather conditions (p. 39).