



September 2017

Dear Parents,

We are off to a magnificent start! The children came in like preschool "pros" on their very first day! Their faces were filled with smiles and an eagerness to jump right into the joys of preschool. What a truly fabulous way to start our school year. We are so proud of our CAPS children.

We are thrilled to welcome 3 new staff members this year. Some of you already know Miss Annie, as she is a former preschool parent! Miss Annie's daughter, Ava, graduated this past June and is off to kindergarten. We had to let Ava go, but we couldn't let Miss Annie go! We welcome her as our aide on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Miss Sally will also be here on Tuesdays and Thursdays and is teaching one of our pre-k classes. Miss Sally comes with a lot of experience as she has taught both elementary and preschool. Her enthusiasm, warmth, and kindness is only a bit of what makes her awesome! Last, and certainly not least, is Miss Amy! Miss Amy is teaching our youngest friends on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Here is a fun fact: Miss Amy has 4 children (3 of whom are in their 20s) and all of them graduated from Chantilly Academy Preschool! Miss Amy comes with a lot of experience with children and we are so lucky to have her. A big welcome to these 3 fabulous women!

Lots of excitement happening at CAPS, including...

Lunch Bunch

Our Lunch Bunch program has begun! The sign-up is online. To sign your child up, go to our website at chantillyacademypreschool.com and do the following:

- click on: CAPS Add On Programs
- under Lunch Bunch, click on: View Calendar
- sign up for your day/days

You receive 1 free Lunch Bunch per month included in your tuition. Your free Lunch Bunch does not carry over to the next month. Each additional Lunch Bunch is 12 dollars. Please make sure you send your child with a nut/peanut-free lunch. The pick-up time is at 1:00 p.m. Please enter through the gymnastics doors. (Preschool doors will be locked.)

Carpool Line Guidelines

The carpool line is up and running! It's a very nice service, especially if it's raining, you have a baby in the car, or you're like me and enjoy the idea of "drop and go!" 😊

To use the carpool line, you must follow these procedures. Your child's safety is, as always, our priority.

Make sure your car is facing route 50.

Please stay in your car at all times.

Keep the carpool line moving. If your child needs help being buckled in, please move forward so that the flow of the carpool line is not interrupted.

Wait until a staff member comes to your car and escorts your child to or from the vehicle.

Please have your child seated behind the front passenger, as this is the side closest to the school. This may mean that you need to change the location of the car seat. Thank you for all your help and support in making sure our carpool line runs smoothly.

Enrichment

Our Enrichment program starts next Monday, September 18th. It will run in 6-week sessions. Enrichment is now offered every day, including Fridays! Please see the attached flyer for further details. To sign up, please contact me either by phone or email: 703-378-4966 or chantillyacademypreschool@hrcoxmail.com.

Mark your calendars

Fall Pictures: We will have a photographer from Splendid Portraits at our school on **Tuesday, October 17th** and **Wednesday, October 18th**. The photographer will take both individual as well as class pictures.

Field Trip to Cox Farms: Friday, October 20th... Nothing like a day at the Cox Farms Fall Festival! Slides, hayrides, animals, apples, and so much more! There is no regular preschool this day. We will meet at Cox Farms at 10:00 a.m. All CAPS children are encouraged to attend. Please wear your new CAPS t-shirt and we will show off our school spirit! Each child must have a parent attend. The cost for this trip is covered by your supply fee. (1 child with 1 parent.) More information/details on this trip will be coming soon!

Other Tidbits

Do you Need to Reach the Preschool?

Our main line is 703-378-4966. If you are unable to reach anyone on that line, please call our direct preschool line at 703-378-4574. Also, please call our direct preschool line if you need to pick your child up early.

Paperwork

If you have not done so already, please make sure you show us your child's birth certificate. Also, please make sure to get in your child's medical forms as soon as possible.

You should have received your Chantilly Academy Preschool 2017-2018 Handbook. If you did not receive it, please let me know and I will get one to you. You need to sign the last page and return it to me. Thank you!

On behalf of the preschool staff and myself, we could not be more excited for this school year. What a wonderful group of children (and parents) we have! As always, feel free to contact me if you have any questions, etc.

Warmly,
Miss Laura

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Notable Dates:

September 22nd: We have school! (Fairfax County Public Schools are closed, but we will still have a regular-scheduled school day.)

October 9th: Columbus Day - No school

October 17th and 18th: School pictures

October 20th: Field trip to Cox Farms

October 30th and 31st: Halloween Parades - Parents come at 11:30 a.m.