Notes for Kindergarten Parents

<u>Schedule</u>: Kindergarten students will attend from 9:05 a.m. -3:45 p.m. Children should not arrive at school earlier than 8:50 a.m. They will enter the building as a class shortly before 9:05 a.m. Please be sure your child is on time, as we will start activities promptly.

Delays, Early Releases, and Cancellations: Please listen to WCLR, WHIO AM, WLQT, WDOL, WHKO, WGTZ, WAZU, WING, WPTW, or watch the following TV stations: WDTN TV2, WKEF TV22, or WHIO TV7. The stations will announce delays or cancellations. DELAYS (Subject to Change)

1-Hour Delay

Attend 10:05 a.m. - 3:45 p.m.

2-Hour Delay

Attend 11:05 a.m. - 3:45 p.m.

3-Hour Delay

Attend 12:05 noon - 4:45 p.m.

EARLY RELEASES

1-Hour Early Release

Attend 9:05 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.

2-Hour Early Release

Attend 9:05 a.m. - 1:45 p.m.

CLOSINGS AND CANCELLATIONS

This means students do not attend school at all that day.

Change in Routine/Absences/Dr. Appointments: If your child will be absent from school, please notify the office at 548-1013. If you are changing your child's routine (ex: someone new is picking them up, they are leaving early for an appointment, they are getting off the bus at a different stop), YOU MUST LET ME KNOW. Do not rely on your child to tell me. They often forget or get the message confused. Please send me a note even if you have already notified the office or the bus department as messages sometimes get misplaced or forgotten. If I do not receive notification, your child will follow his/her normal routine. This is for your child's safety, especially in shared-custody homes.

Newsletter and Activities/Homework: I will send home a regular monthly newsletter. This is a newsletter that tells what will be going on during the month and activities or homework for you and your child to do together. This may be sent by hard copy, e-mail or posted on the school website.

Birthday Parties: If you would like to send in a treat for your child's birthday, please contact me in advance. That way I can let you know how many students are in the class at that time and also of any allergies. If your child does not celebrate birthdays or holidays, please let me know in advance. We read books about and celebrate many holidays in class.

<u>Toys</u>: Toys may **not** be brought to school or recess. I have toys in the classroom to be used at appropriate times. This will cut down on items that are stolen, broken, or lost.

Report Cards: Kindergarten report cards go home quarterly. Report cards will not be given until all school fees are paid. Parent-Teacher conferences are held in November. Please do not wait until conferences if you have questions or concerns. You can call me (548-1013), write a note, or e-mail me ebell@greenville.k12.oh.us to discuss concerns or schedule a meeting.

Book Clubs: I will be sending book offers home periodically throughout the year. If you are interested in ordering, please make cash or check payments. Please do not make checks payable to the school or to me. All checks should be made out to the book club.

<u>Label Personal Belongings</u>: Please put your child's first and last name on all personal items. If your child loses something in the hall or room, you have a better chance of getting it back. It is also helpful if there is a mix-up between identical items.

Book Bags: Please make sure your child has a book bag large enough to hold a folder or papers of various sizes and a winter coat. Also, make sure your child brings the book bag **every day** no matter what. It is important to check the book bag **every night** for notes or important papers.

<u>Take-Home Folders</u>: These should come to and from school everyday. Please check them each night for any important notes or papers from me or the school. Also, please place any notes or papers you are sending to school in the folder to ensure safe delivery.

<u>Water Bottles:</u> These are allowed at any time during the year as long as it is *just water* and it has a lid. Please no flavored water, juice, milk, or sodas. Spills are common and these drinks will attract bees.

Gym: Please make sure your child is wearing appropriate clothes and shoes on gym days so they can participate.

Flip Flops: I encourage you not to have your child wear flip flops to school. Many injuries occur due to the gravel on the playground. You may want to send shoes for your child to change into before recess.

Rest Time: This is a quiet time in the afternoon to help your child renew their energy and focus for the rest of the day.