

# SONSHINE MOTHER'S DAY OUT



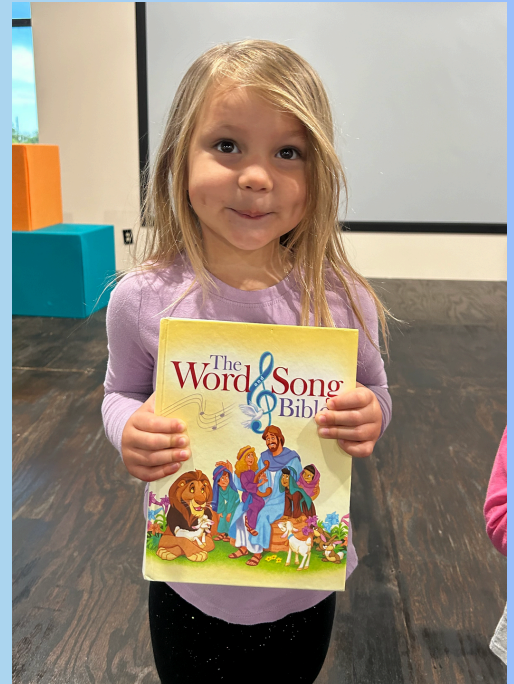
**2024-2025  
PARENT HANDBOOK**

# MISSION

Our purpose is not only to prepare kids for kindergarten but to prepare them for eternity by sharing God's love for them in all we say and do; we feel they will be better equipped to handle school (and life) if they first learn who God is and all He has done for us. It is our goal, while upholding this purpose, to also be a positive influence in each family and share the love of Christ at every opportunity.

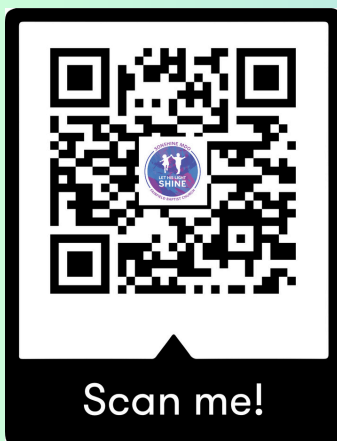
*Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works and glorify your Father who is in heaven.*

Matthew 5:16



# TUITION

- Tuition is due at the beginning of each month.
- If paying by check, make it out to Fairfield Baptist church and put "Sonshine MDO" in the memo line. (There is a charge of \$25 for all insufficient checks.)
- If paying cash, please put the cash in an envelope (or attach a sticky note to it) with your child's name.
- You can also pay online using the QR code to the left.
- Cost: \$225.00 for one child & \$425.00 for two children
- If a child is out of school for any amount of time, full tuition is still due for that month.
- In case of inclement weather or other emergency, Sonshine MDO will cancel if CFISD cancels. There will be no refunds made on tuition due to cancellations.



# COMMUNICATION

- All communication will be via Remind. Please make sure you are signed up for it. If you are not, follow the instructions in the picture to the right.
- If you want to see occasional pictures of the kiddos with updates, join our Facebook page (Sonshine MDO).
- We will also use the blue folders for communication, so please check their folders each day afterschool.
- Teachers will not be answering texts or calls during the school day. For questions or concerns during the day, please contact Debbie (832-687-9644).
- Our email address is [mdo@fairfieldbaptist.com](mailto:mdo@fairfieldbaptist.com)

Send a text to  
**81010**

Text this message  
**@sonshinem**



Please keep your cell phones on during the school day, so we can reach you at all times. Thank you!

# CLOTHING

- Dress your child in clothing that is comfortable and durable. Please keep in mind that while your children look adorable in fancy clothing, we are here to have fun and that often includes getting dirty. Please send them in clothes that can allow for these “learning stains.”



- For girls in skirts or dresses, please have them wear bloomers or shorts underneath...our children have not yet learned modesty on the playground!
- Always have an extra set of season-appropriate clothing (and underwear) because all kinds of accidents can occur.

## For two's and under only

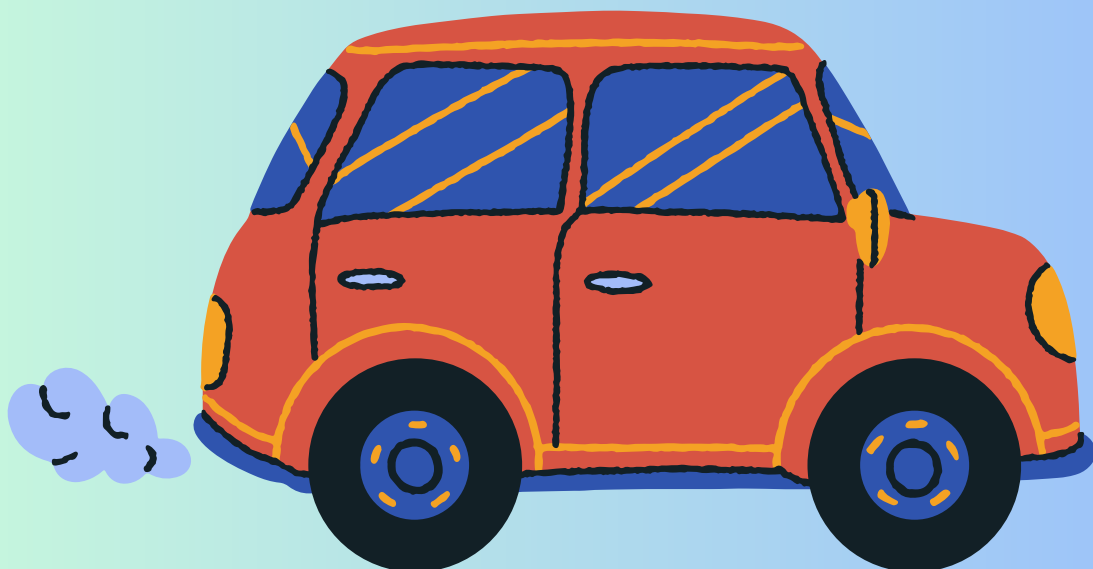
- Children still in diapers should wear clothing that is easily manageable for the teachers to change them.
- Pull-ups should have Velcro on them for easier changing. Children who are potty-trained should wear clothing that allows them to be as independent as possible (buttons, belt, and overalls make it difficult to self-manage).

# WHAT TO BRING

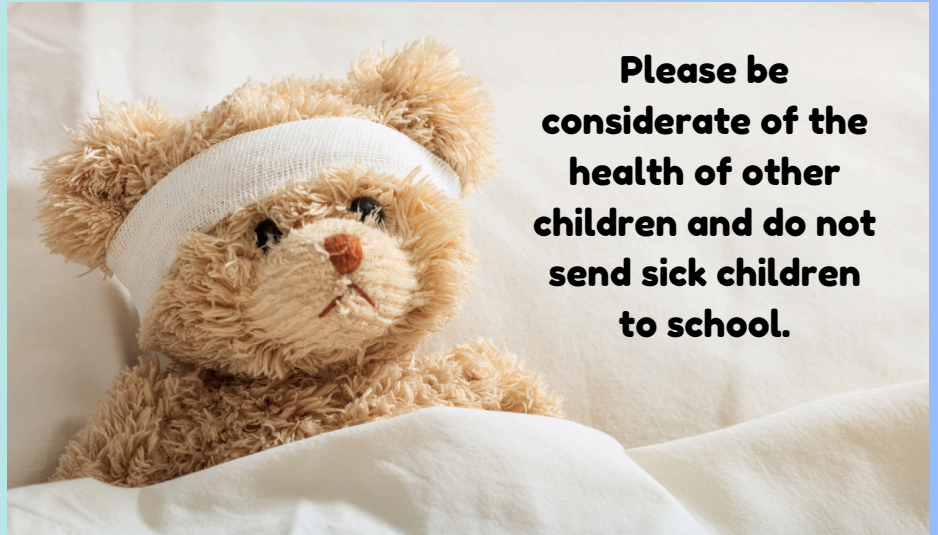
- Backpack - Each child needs a full-size backpack (no wheels).
- Lunch - Each child needs to bring a ready-to-eat lunch along with a drink. Children in the Owls class will need to have lunch boxes.

# CAR RIDER LINE

- With the exception of half days, the car rider line will be used to drop off and pick up students. (On half days, parents will come inside to pick up their children.)
- If a child has to leave early – or comes late – parents must contact Debbie to meet them at the car rider door.
- For the safety of all children, please keep them buckled and in their own seats at all times.
- Please do not use cell phones in the car rider line. Give your full attention to your child.
- Car seats or booster seats must be provided for all children, and a staff member must buckle all children into their car seat. If there is not one, then the parent must put the child in the car.
- Car rider in the morning is from 9:00-9:15 and 1:55-2:10 in the afternoon. Please be prompt! Also, keep in mind that on special event days, car rider lines are much shorter so be at the school extra early that day!
- Please leave your Sunshine MDO car tag displayed where it can be easily read and leave it there until you leave the car rider line.
- For safety purposes, please make sure your vehicle always hugs the curb when in line; otherwise, you will create a traffic jam. In addition, please do NOT pass other cars in the car rider line or go in the opposite direction of the other cars.



# HEALTHY KIDDOS



**Please be considerate of the health of other children and do not send sick children to school.**

- If the temperature of the child is above 100 degrees Fahrenheit – without the aid of fever-reducing medicine – then the child cannot attend school for that day.
- If your child exhibits any sign of fever, sore throat, earache, cold, upset stomach, diarrhea, vomiting, or a rash, please do **not** bring him/her to school.
- A 24-hour period free of these illnesses – **without fever-reducing medicine** – is required before your child may return to school.

# DISCIPLINE

- The children function better in a structured, yet loving environment. Our approach is a positive one that helps the children to develop self-control over their actions. We use methods such as distraction, prayer, redirection, and positive isolation (time-out).
- Although every effort will be made to avoid the termination of a child, the safety of each child is our top priority. Therefore, Sonshine MDO reserves the right to dismiss any child for the following reasons:
  - Causes deliberate bodily injury or is a threat to other classmates
  - Excessively bites, pinches, strikes other children (3 times)
  - Referred to the Director repeatedly without obvious positive results
  - Striking a staff member in any form or fashion
  - Continuously disrupting the learning process of other students

# POTTY TRAINING

- Children entering the three-year-old classes and beyond are expected to be potty-trained. No diapers or pull-ups will be admitted in these classes. Three accidents in a thirty day period is considered not potty trained and will be dealt with on an individual basis as per the director.
- If a child has a bowel movement, they will be taken to the director's office, and you will be required to come to the school to clean and change your child.

# FIELD TRIPS



- Each child must have a parent or other responsible adult with them to go on any school field trips.
- The three-year-old classes will have one field trip, and the four-year-old class will have two field trips.

# FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL CHECKLIST



In order to make the first day of school as enjoyable as possible for both you and your child, we have provided the following checklist for you:

- Make sure your child's nametag is on your child. If your child goes by another name other than what was on the registration sheet, please use that name for their nametag. They should wear a nametag the first two days of school.
- Display the car rider tag provided on your car's window shield. If you need more than one sign, please let us know and we will be happy to provide you with an additional one. Be sure to leave the sign up during both drop off and pick up.
- Make sure your child's backpack tag is on your child's backpack. This helps teachers know exactly what classroom your child needs to go to.
- Make sure you provide an extra set of clothing in your child's backpack (no matter the age).
- For those in the younger classes (two-years-old and younger), please be sure to bring the following:
  - A comfort item from home for nap time
  - Two sippy cups (please no juice boxes or pouches)
  - Four labeled diapers or pull ups; two will be kept for use throughout the year and the others used as needed
  - Label all items – lunch boxes, sippy cups, diapers, etc.
- Return all paperwork provided in your child's folder.
- Enjoy your free time – your child is being loved and cared for. Be ready to hear all about their first day.