

## WELCOME TO ROOM 124

Dear Parents and Guardians:

My name is Mrs. Anna Santos. It is a great pleasure to be your partner in building a foundation for your kids to develop the love of learning. I am looking forward to working with you and your wonderful and amazing kids. This is a best year for us to plant the seed of curiosity, creativity, and skills that will help them become successful learners.

The kids will surely enjoy our day-to-day activities as it focuses on providing time for exploration and experiential learning through purposeful play. This is also a significant stage for the kids to know and understand the different ways to behave in the classroom and follow the routines to prepare them to kindergarten. Oral language, math and literacy are intertwined in all aspects of learning experience.

Oral Language Development and Social Skills:

- Through play, kids interact with each other, communicate, learn new words and begin to practice the essential social skills like sharing, taking turns, having the patience in waiting, dealing with conflicts, making good choices, including others, and develop some ways in managing one's feelings.
- With the opportunity to explore the different centers like sand table, puzzles, games, counters, art area, block area, the house and dramatic play, they learn to wonder and gain basic skills in counting, role-playing, and problem solving.
- The outdoor activities will give them the firsthand experience of observing what is happening around them using their senses. This will also allow them to run, skip, hop, jump, dig, climb, and discover new things and places.

Readiness Skills:

- Classroom and outdoor activities focus on the importance of readiness skills that will cover literacy, mathematics, fine and basic motor skills, and language development.
- Awareness of Indigenous culture is also promoted through various resources in the classroom.
- In respect to cultural diversity, we incorporate multicultural experiences into the programs like celebrations, traditions and customs from different countries around the world.

Other Information:

Report cards are sent home in December, March, and June. Student-led conferences are scheduled in the first term and in spring to discuss your child's achievements.

The journey is long and not easy but working together will make things possible for the success of our learners. Attendance is a key factor, and each day is a great opportunity for them to learn and to be happy.

Thank you,

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