



**Barclay Early Childhood Center**  
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Mrs. Karen Rockhill, Principal

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Dear Parents and Guardians of Barclay Early Childhood Center:

Barclay Early Childhood Center has had a great school opening. We are falling into routines (children as well as the adults) ☺

Back to School Night is scheduled for Wednesday, October 7th. A separate flyer has gone home. During Back to School Night, I will be describing the newly proposed report card format and the Assisted Drop off procedures we will be implementing for parents with multiple children in cars.

Our Barclay students will meet our mascot, Barclay, during small assemblies held throughout the day on Monday, October 12th. Realizing that many children express fear and apprehension when encountering a costumed character, we will introduce the students to the costume first and they will watch as one of our employees puts on one piece of the costume on at a time. We tried this last year and it seemed to reduce fear. Our students will once again see Barclay during the "Barclay's Farm" pumpkin picking event on Thursday, October 15th. This event will be held on school grounds.

All pedestrians are asked to walk within the designated walkways. Please hold your child(ren)'s hand(s). Cars moving in and out of the front parking spaces need to exercise caution, as pedestrians oftentimes walk within inches of cars. Note to pedestrians: rather than walk behind the parked cars, it is strongly suggested that you walk in front of them, on the grass.

All families are encouraged to participate in our Green Apple Day of Service (Fall Beautification Day) on Saturday, October 17th from 9 – 11:00. The rain date is Sunday, same beginning and ending times. Please bring garden gloves! We will be planting bulbs and mums and doing a general cleanup of the front entry.

All families are also encouraged to attend our Silver Diner "Run the Diner" Night on Thursday, October 28th from 5 – 8:00 PM. Come enjoy a meal out and support our PTA.

The Halloween Parades will be on October 30th. Times are 10:00 and 2:00. While all parents are encouraged to attend the Parade, only 2 parents per classroom will be permitted to attend any classroom party. Room Parents will be creating a list of volunteers for parties throughout the year.

I look forward to seeing you at the various school events.

Sincerely,

Karen Rockhill  
Principal

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