



Welcome to the Bumblebee Room!

We are looking forward to interacting with your child and your family!

We have two co-teachers who work to plan the curriculum in this classroom. They are Miss Billie and Miss Kenzie. Miss Tasha, Miss Jackie, and Miss Becca will be filling in occasionally during the week. Let us introduce them to you!

Miss Billie has been working at Little Folks since 2002. She has her early childhood education from Moraine Park Technical College and is just about finished with her Early Childhood Preschool Credential. She has a 14 year old daughter, Kailee, and enjoys spending time with her as well as going to Brewer games.

Miss Kenzie joined the Little Folks family in March of 2016. She is studying at Moraine Park Technical College and will be graduating with her associate degree in Early Childhood Education in 2018. In her free time she enjoys outdoor activities. She likes to go snowmobiling, swimming, horseback riding, playing sports and spending a lot of time with her very large family!

Miss Tasha joined Little Folks in May of 2017. She is currently studying at Moraine Park Technical College, majoring in Early Childhood Education. In her free time she enjoys camping, biking, and long car rides.

Miss Jackie has been with Little Folks School House since 2013. In her free time she loves to spend time with her family and friends. She is a huge sports fan and loves the Badgers, Packers, Brewers, and auto racing (especially dirt racing).

Miss Becca started her journey with Little Folks during the spring semester of 2016 in the Bunny Room. She became an official employee in September of 2017. Becca is currently enrolled at Moraine Park Technical College in the associate degree program in Early Childhood Education. She is expected to graduate in May of 2018.

In the Bumblebee room, learning activities will be based around various themes throughout the month. We will be learning about letters, numbers, shapes, colors, teaching your child how to cut, write, and name recognition. Not only academic activities but also social, emotional and physical aspects will be incorporated.

The Bumblebee day begins with a cheery welcome from the teachers at drop off. Children that need breakfast must arrive before 8am. Serving breakfast after this time begins to interfere with our morning planned activities and our 9am snack time. It is good to establish a routine at drop off. Some families use a cue to let the child know that it is time for families to depart. An example is, "It is time for one kiss and one hug and then I will see you later".

We go outside every day, weather permitting. We incorporate outside activities into our curriculum. Our many outdoor activities include taking walks around the neighborhood to watch the season change, explore nature on the trails, and prepare, plant, and harvest our garden. During the winter, we request that all children bring snow pants, hats and mittens, boots and a warm jacket. For summertime, we ask that each child bring a towel and swim suit to keep in their cubbies for spontaneous water days. It is important to have these items labeled. Along with outdoor wear, we request a set of extra clothing for the season. This includes items such as socks, underwear, t-shirts, and pants or shorts. This set of clothes will be kept in our classroom.

Lunch will be served at 11:30am. The children pour and serve their own food. We encourage families to let your children try this at home, too. This will help them become independent and keep consistent with what we do here at Little Folks.

This also goes with toilet training. If children are to be in underwear during the day, we ask that they come to Little Folks wearing underwear and continue to wear it at home after leaving daycare for the day. We have many resources for families to assist with toilet training at home so feel free to ask!

To help guide your child during their journey in the Bumblebee Room, we will be using redirection to help enforce positive behavior. As your child's teachers we collectively prefer to use redirection and appropriate choices rather than time outs.

Nap or quiet time will be from 12:30 to 2:30. Every child is required to lie down after lunch and will need a sleeping bag, labeled with their name. The sleeping bag will be sent home weekly for washing. We encourage children to put away their sleeping bags after nap. Please send in a pillow case or cloth bag for your child to roll and store their sleeping bag in.

At this age we work on independence and self-help skills. One of the ways we do this is to have the children put on and take off their coats, hats, etc. Please allow your child to show you how to do this at drop off and pick up times. Another way is to have your child walk into school rather than carry them in on your hip.

We would like to ask you to send in a current family picture within the first two weeks of starting in the Bumblebee Room. We will display it on our classroom family tree.

Please communicate to the teachers any events that may alter your child's day. This could be a sleepless night, a sick relative or an unexpected event. Please feel free to call or email us at [littlefolks.schoolhouse@gmail.com](mailto:littlefolks.schoolhouse@gmail.com) for any concerns you may have and the message will be given to the teachers.

We look forward to meeting and working with you during your child's time as a Bumblebee. Welcome!!