



Our Diversity is
our Strength!

Welcome to PSE Kindergarten
2025-26

Acknowledgment



We Are a Team!

Our Kindergarten Teachers

MS. MACAFEE



MS. KORZINSKI



MS. PIZZEY



We actively promote academic excellence, healthy lifestyles, empathetic citizenship and life long learning."



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Our Office Staff

PRINCIPAL

Mrs. Virk



SECRETARY

Mrs. Schaad



SECRETARY

Mrs. Bush



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Non-Enrolling Teachers

TEACHER-LIBRARIAN



Mrs. Charlton

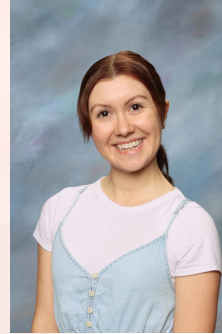
PE TEACHER



Mrs. Collingwood

Mr. Malmstem

FINE ARTS TEACHER



Ms. DeWolff

INDIGENOUS ADVOCATE



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Non-Enrolling Teachers

COUNSELOR



Ms. Zuyderduyn

LEARNING ASSISTANT TEACHER



Mrs. Sinclair

INCLUSION TEACHERS

Mrs. Church



Mrs. Bennett



Ms. DeVos



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Non-Enrolling Teachers

ELL TEACHER



Ms. Geary

ELL TEACHER



Mrs. Carter

OTHER DISTRICT SUPPORT

Occupational Therapists
Speech Teacher
Deaf & Hard of Hearing Teacher
School Psychologists
District Consultants



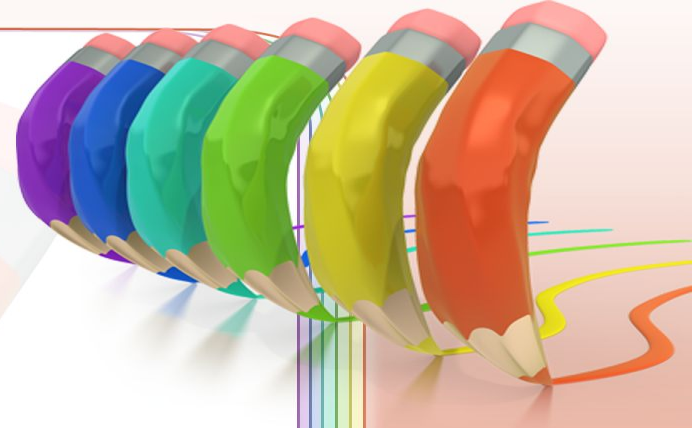
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And.....

Parents!



**You are your child's first and most
important teacher!**



*Parent Involvement
=
Student Success*

So What is Kindergarten...



It is the bridge between home and school



It is where the foundation is built for future learning at school



It leads to success in future grades



It is where building independence in each child is an important first step

Kindergarten experiences foster the development of the “whole” child in a full day, “play-based” learning environment.



We Focus on...

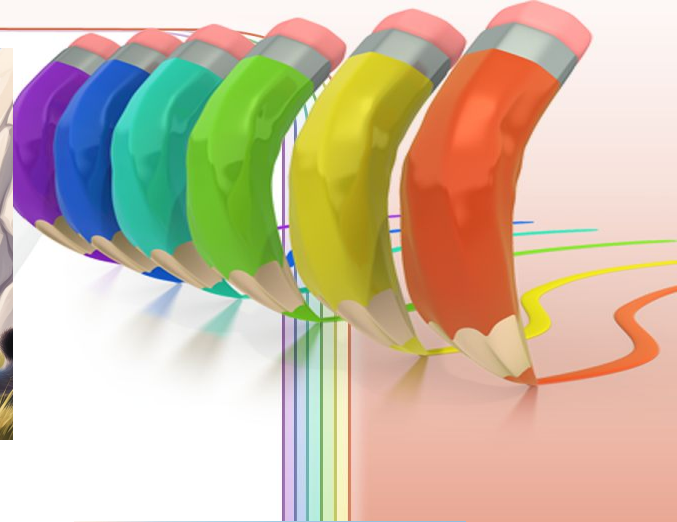
Emotional & Social Development

Physical Development

Intellectual Development

Aesthetic & Artistic Development

Social Responsibility



What's important in Kindergarten?

◆ Social interactions

- Taking turns
- Using eye contact and polite words
- Speaking in complete sentences using a five-year-old voice
- Keeping hands and feet to self



Communication Skills

- Observing others before speaking
- Being an engaged listener
- Facing the speaker
- Raising hand and waiting turn to speak
- Contributing to discussions
- Using polite words



Developing Independence



Dressing independently (shoes, jackets, zippers, snaps, buttons).

Packing, emptying and carrying own backpack.

Being responsible for library books, show and share items, notices and notes.

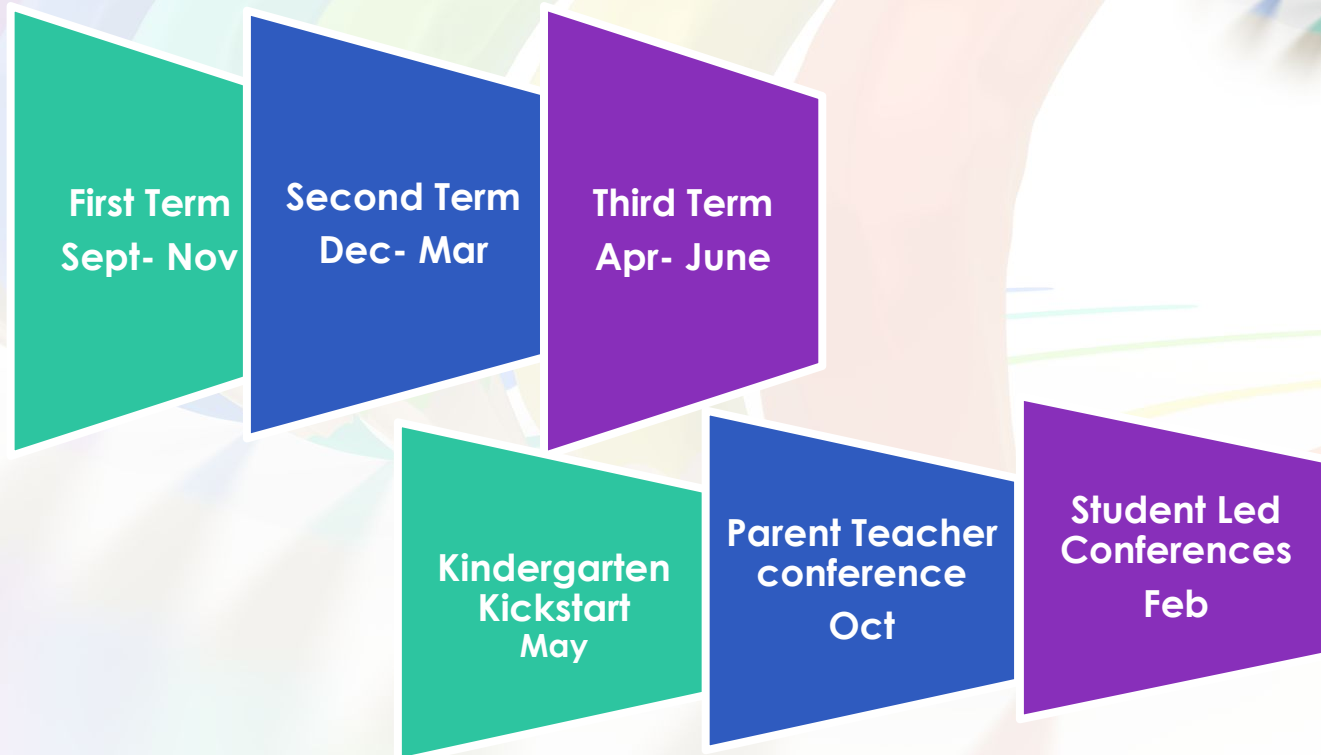
Proper bathroom etiquette and independence

Academics

- Recognizing and naming letters
- Learning letter sounds
- Recognizing that letters make up words and words make up sentences
- Rhyming
- Recognizing numbers
- Counting from different points, and forward



Three Reporting Terms



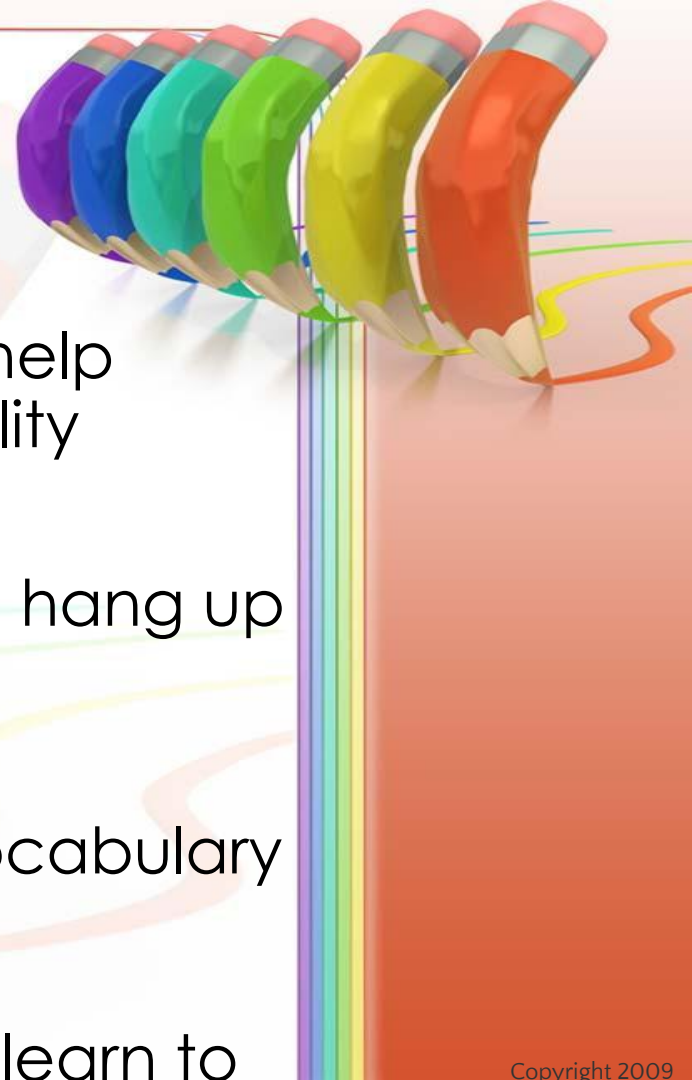
Getting Your Child Ready

Give your child little duties at home to help develop self-confidence and responsibility

Teach your child to put on, take off and hang up his/her clothing

Encourage development of a larger vocabulary through conversations with your child.

Encourage your child to recognize and learn to





Visit the public
library



Read to your child
daily



Talk to your child-
Limit screen time

Supplies

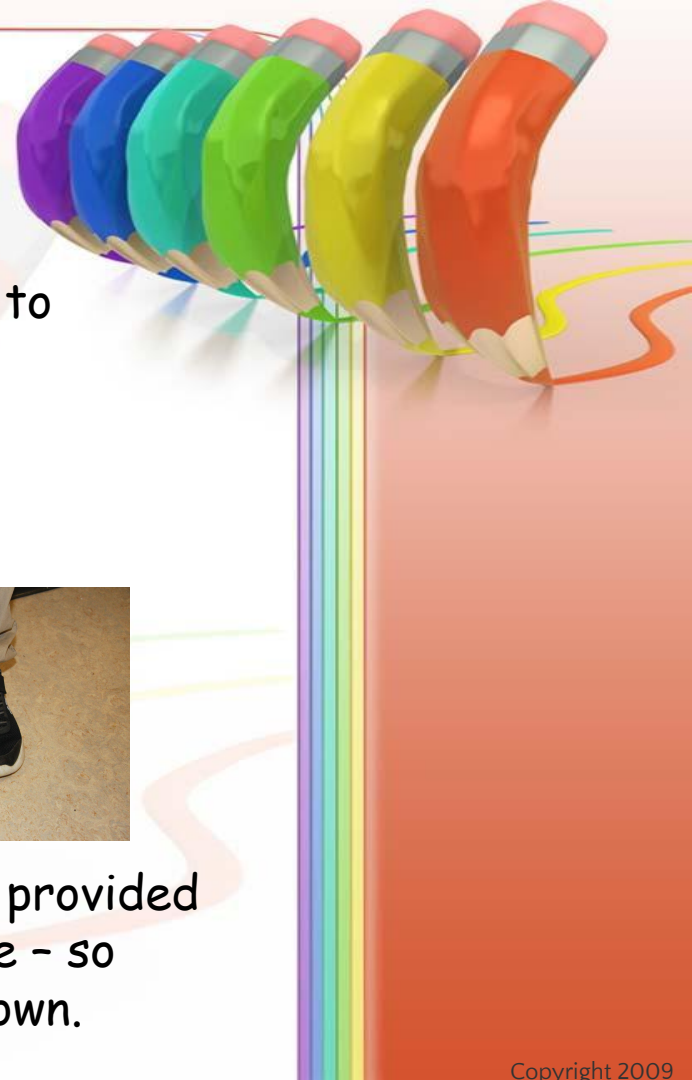


Buy a backpack big enough to
put in big
library books, extra
clothing....
Lunch kit- water bottle

A pair of indoor school
- Velcro/easy to put on



The school supplies are provided
at school for a small fee - so
please do not buy your own.



What to expect in September

First Week of School

Tuesday, September 2nd – School starts – NO KINDERGARTEN

Wednesday, Sept 3rd – All K students come from 8:30-11:00 am

Thursday, September 4th – All K students come for a full day- 8:30-2:30

Friday, September 5th – No Kindergarten- Class lists will be finalized

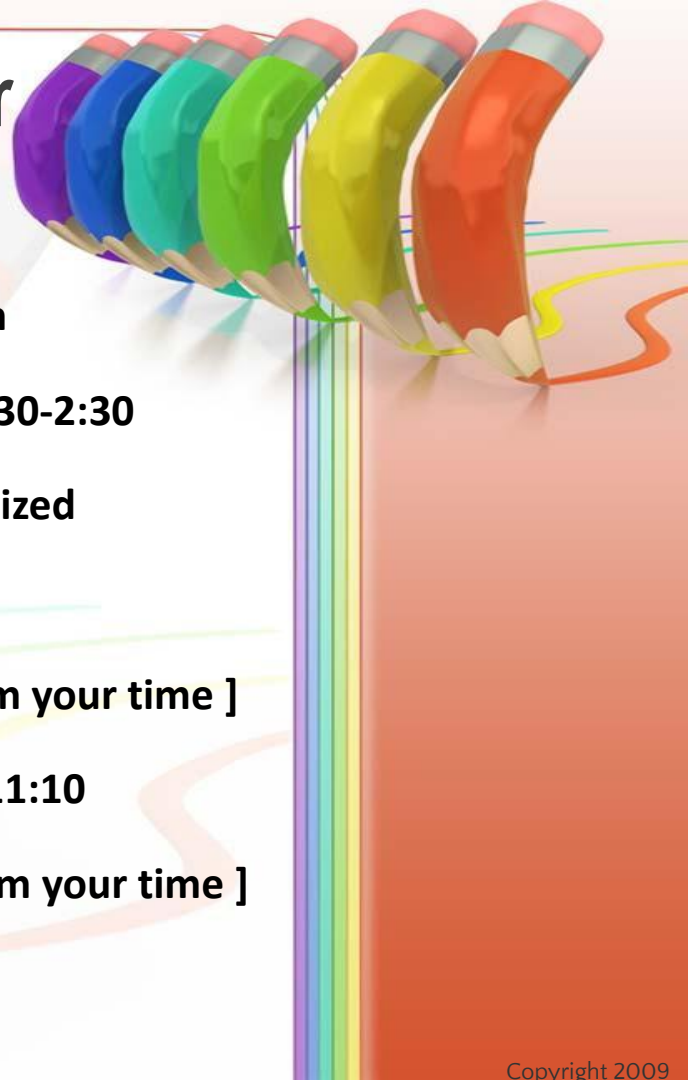
Monday, September 8th – Mini Sessions.

½ class 8:30-11:00 ½ class 12:00-2:30 [teacher will confirm your time]

Tuesday, September 9th – Half class for the full morning - 8:30-11:10

½ class 8:30-11:00 ½ class 12:00-2:30 [teacher will confirm your time]

Wednesday, September 10th – Regular Full Day 8:30-2:30





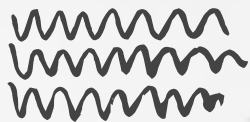
KICKSTART



May 5th - May 21st - 1:00- 2:30



MAY 2025





RATIONALE

We believe that a quality transitional program creates opportunities to build relationships and better understand children's needs prior to their entry into school.

When we provide children these opportunities they are more likely to be confident learners when school starts in September and are able to quickly transition to full days.

KINDERGARTEN
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MISSION

To create a happy and confident transition for learners to their schooling journey.



VISION

Students participate in a multi-week program (various days), to become comfortable with the environment, the staff and their peers.



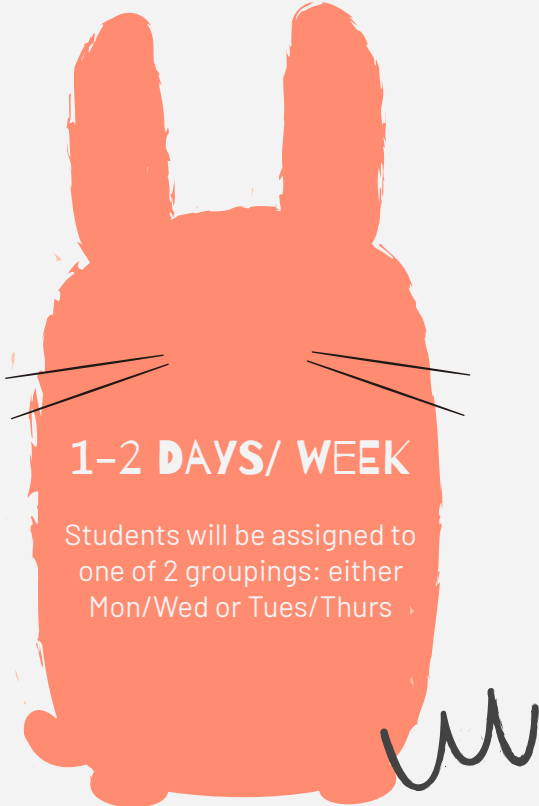
PROGRAM FORMAT

KINDERGARTEN KICKSTART

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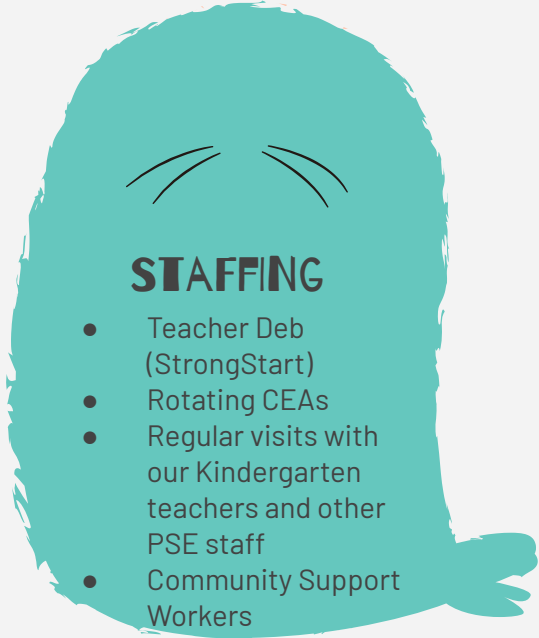
2 GROUPS

Students will be sorted into groups based on parent preference and order of registration

An orange silhouette of a rabbit, facing forward. It has long ears, whiskers, and a small tail. The text is centered within the body of the rabbit.

1-2 DAYS/ WEEK

Students will be assigned to one of 2 groupings: either Mon/Wed or Tues/Thurs

A teal silhouette of a sloth, facing forward. It has a large, rounded body, small ears, and a long tail. The text is centered within the body of the sloth.

STAFFING

- Teacher Deb (StrongStart)
- Rotating CEAs
- Regular visits with our Kindergarten teachers and other PSE staff
- Community Support Workers

WHAT YOUR CHILD WILL DO AT HEAD START



WELCOME CIRCLE

Students will start each day in circle with their peers and teachers. This gentle, routined start is how most primary classes start each day.



EXPLORATION CENTRES

Students will explore a variety of centres each day. They may include things like sand table, building structures, lego, kitchen area, art stations and more.



SANITATION ROUTINES

Students will learn the structures and routines we use for the washroom facilities.



SNACK TIME

Students will have a snack break each afternoon. Parents are asked to send one nut-free item per day. No drinks please.



SCHOOL TOURS & ACTIVITIES

Students will engage in a variety of activities to help them become comfortable in our school. For example, they will go to the library for storytime, go to the gym for a mini gym class, and visits to the kindergarten classroom!

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PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES



Provide transportation to and from the program. Line up with your child at 12:25pm and pickup at 2:30 promptly



Send 1 healthy snack (nut free) in child's backpack (no drinks please. Students can drink from the water fountain)



Apply sunscreen prior to sending



Please label any containers/clothing items with the child's name on it



Extra clothes left in their backpack in a large Ziplock bag with child's name on it (items: underwear, socks, pants, shirt)



Running shoes (no sandals or flip flops please)



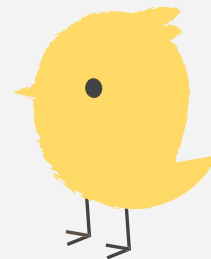
SCHEDULE

GROUP A: MON/WED

Starting on Monday, May 5 until Wednesday, May 21 (no 19th)

GROUP B: TUES/THURS

Starting on Tuesday, May 6 until Tuesday, May 20





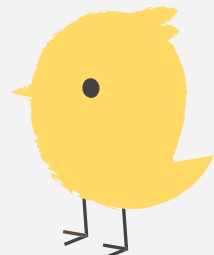
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KINDERGARTEN KICKSTART SCHEDULE

May 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 Mother's Day	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 Victoria Day No School	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31





head start

at PEARSON ROAD

-Kindergarten Transition Program-

SEPTEMBER 2025 START-UP DATES

SEPT. 3

No school for kindergarten students

SEPT. 4 & 5

All students will be at school for the AM only on the 4th and a full day on the 5th.

SEPT. 6

No school for kindergarten students as class compositions are finalized. Parents will be informed of the schedule for the 9th & 10th on this day.

SEPT.

9 & 10

Students will attend school for a half day with a small group 8:30-11:00am or 12-2:30pm by invitation from teacher.

- Can I arrange to have another adult pick up my child from the program if I am unable to make it?
- What do I do if my contact numbers/info has changed?
- Is this a peanut free environment?
- What do I do if my child has an allergy?
- Is there a nap time?
- What do I do if my child has some specific needs?
- Can the school give children medication?
- Will my child always be supervised by an adult?
- My child is extremely anxious, do you have some suggestions?
- Does my child have to be toilet trained?

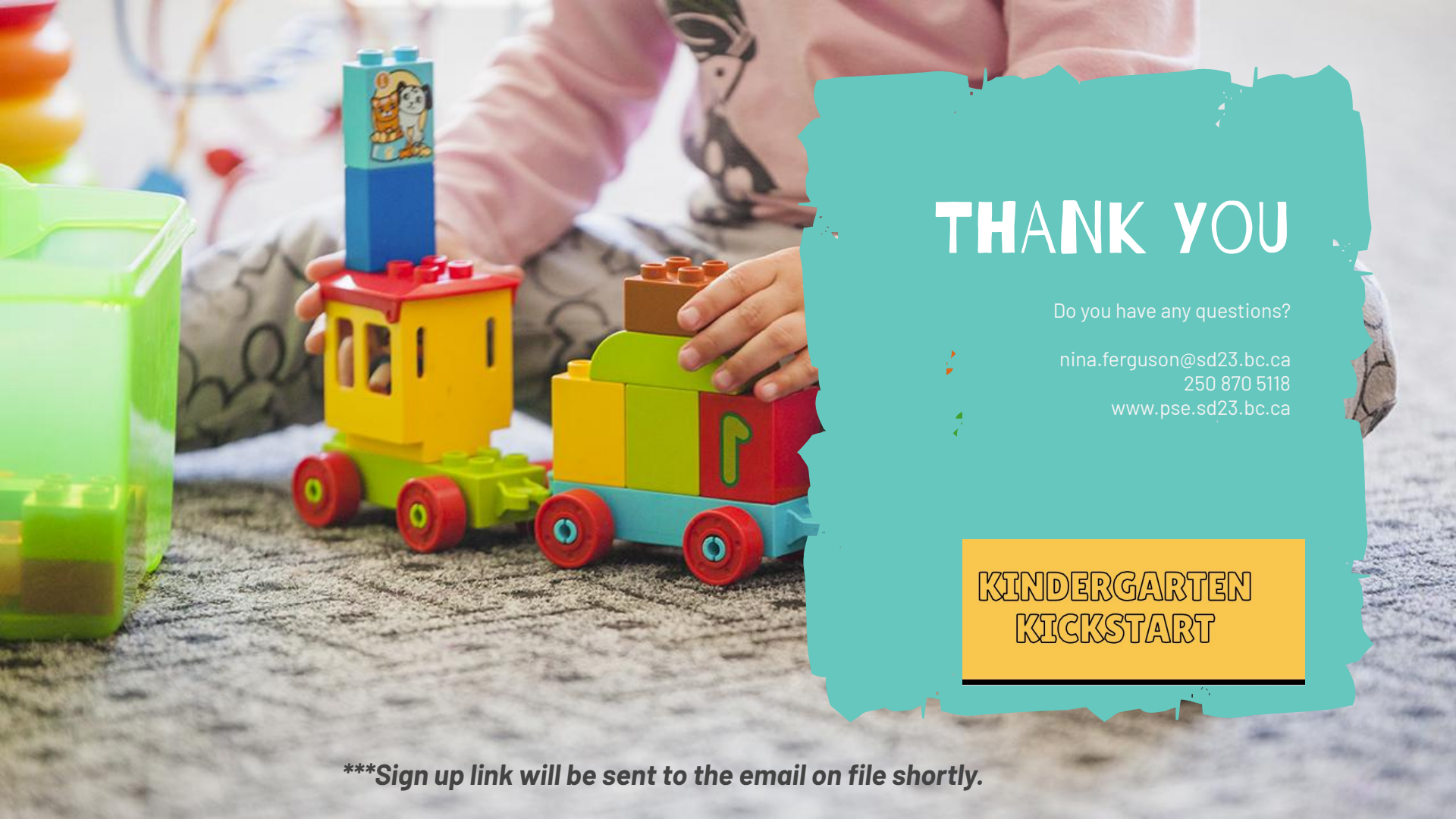


FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS





WE ARE SO
EXCITED TO
MEET OUR NEW
STUDENTS!



THANK YOU

Do you have any questions?

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*****Sign up link will be sent to the email on file shortly.**