

Dear Parents,

We would like the opportunity to share with you some information about our 2-year-old class at Lancaster Brethren Preschool.

Our 2s class meets on Monday and Wednesday mornings, from 9:30 – 12:00. The children are nurtured and cared for with the understanding that, for many of them, this is the first time away from their primary caregiver. The children spend the year learning through play. Through structured play activities and learning centers children explore with curiosity; enhancing verbal and non-verbal skills, social skills, cooperation all while gaining confidence at school and having fun. Our “structured” play is play with a theme or skill in mind. Themes for our 2-year-old class include colors, senses, the seasons, holidays, nature and many more. This play-centered approach enables children to have a positive and enriching first school experience.

The students are introduced and exposed to many activities that target fine motor skills. Each day a new craft/art activity is offered. They create many masterpieces. The sensory table is filled with many different textures and objects of all shapes and sizes that relate to theme of the day.

The class is introduced to many new and appropriate “school” behaviors including circle time (story, songs, dances/movement), sharing with our friends, walking in a line and many more.

Our school day schedule includes, free play time, circle time, centers/stations, snack time and craft/art/theme activity. Finally, we finish out the day outside on the playground or in the Big Room with gross/large motor play. This allows the students to climb, run, bike and move – the perfect ending to a busy, learning filled morning!