

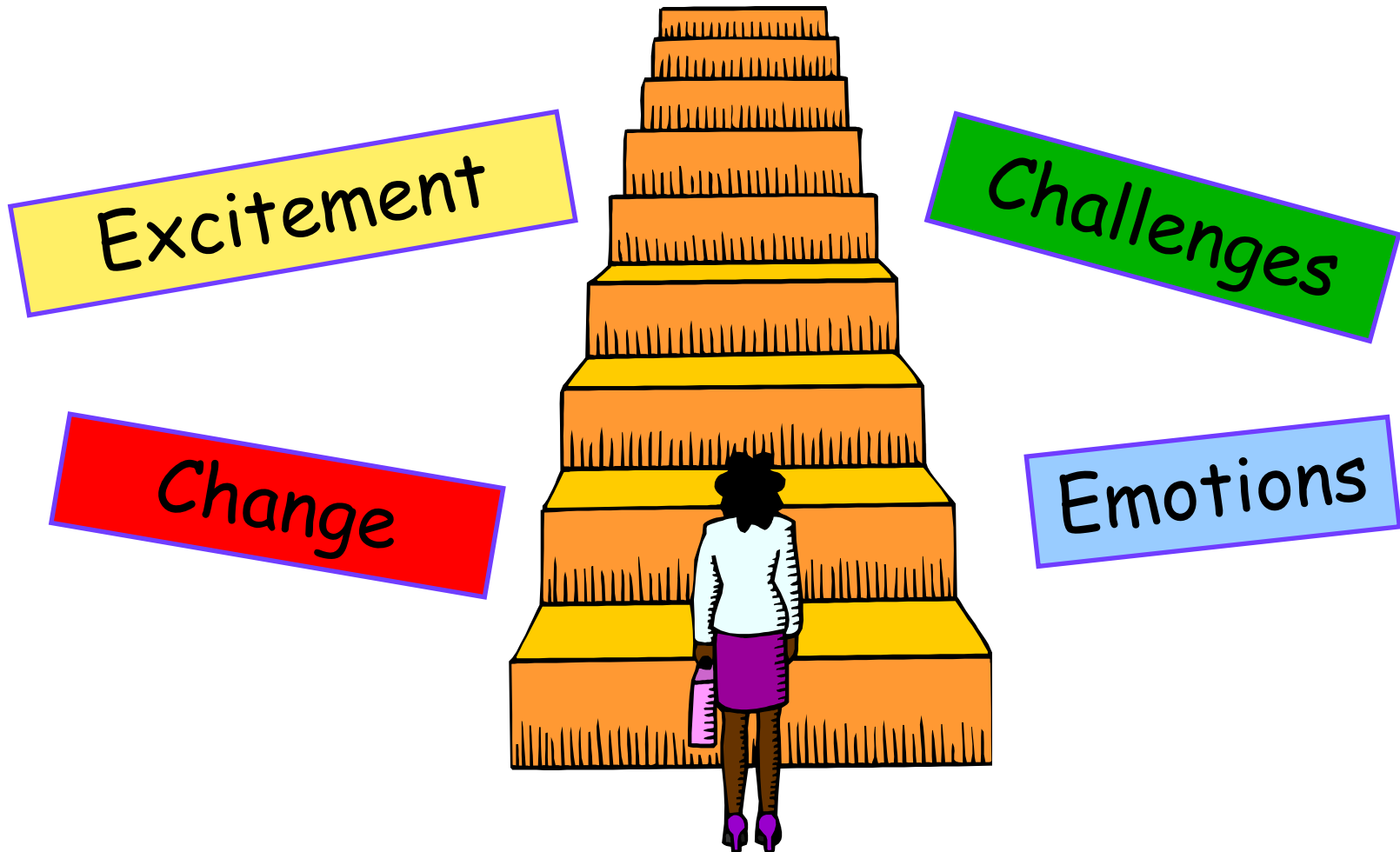


Kindergarten Orientation

Garrison Mill Elementary
School



A Big Step



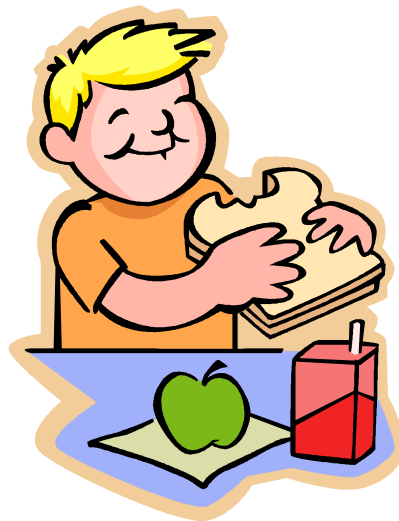
Getting Ready



- Visit your child's school & playground
- Read a story about kindergarten, making friends, etc.
- Have a neighborhood gathering for kindergarten children
- Make a play date with another Garrison Mill kindergarten student
- Practice walking to the bus stop



Taking Care of Business



Sample Daily Schedule

- Arrival, morning work, free choice
- Announcements, pledge, roll call
- Character Education
- Calendar Math
- Phonics



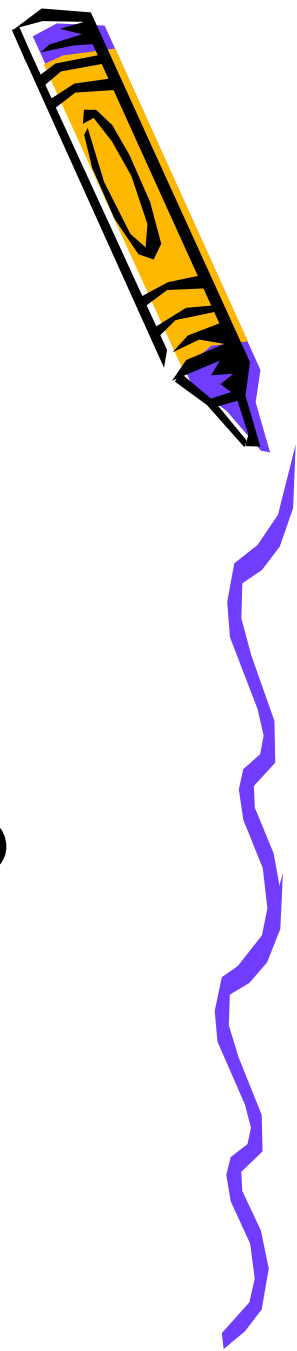
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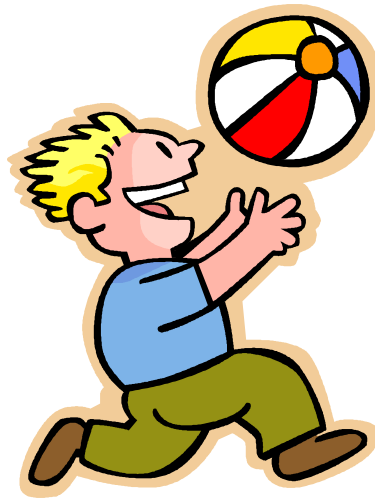
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- Outside play
- Math
- PE, Music or Art
- Literacy Centers-
integrate all
content areas
- Lunch
- Rest Time



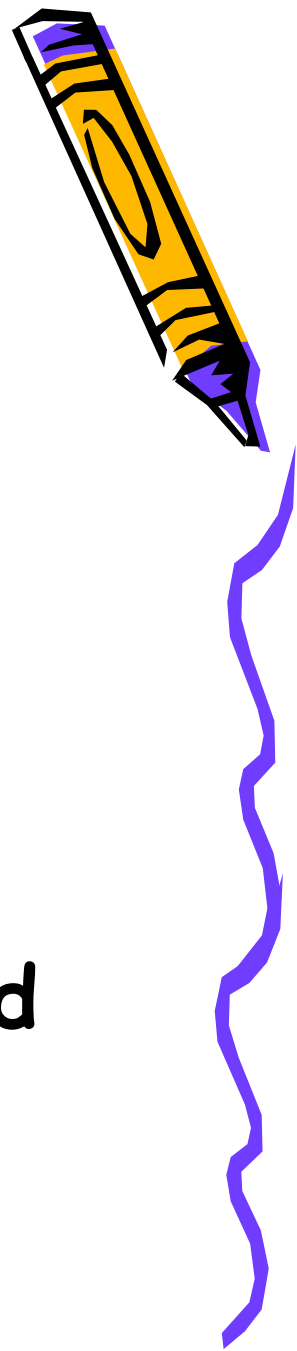
IS MY CHILD
READY FOR
KINDERGARTEN???





Play is the work of the child.

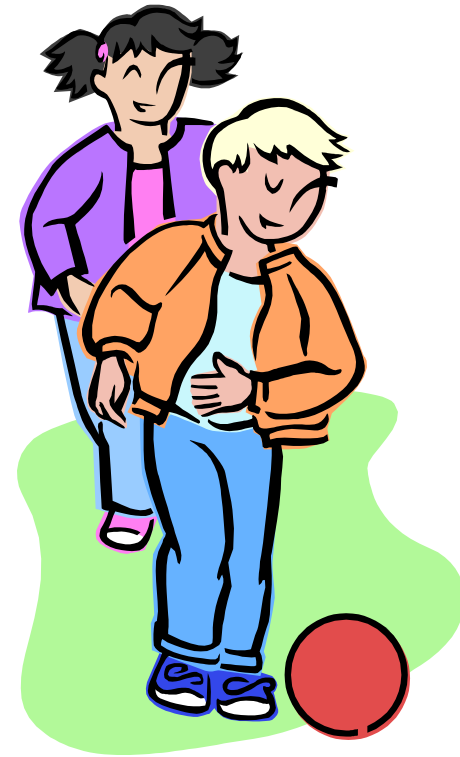
Physical Readiness



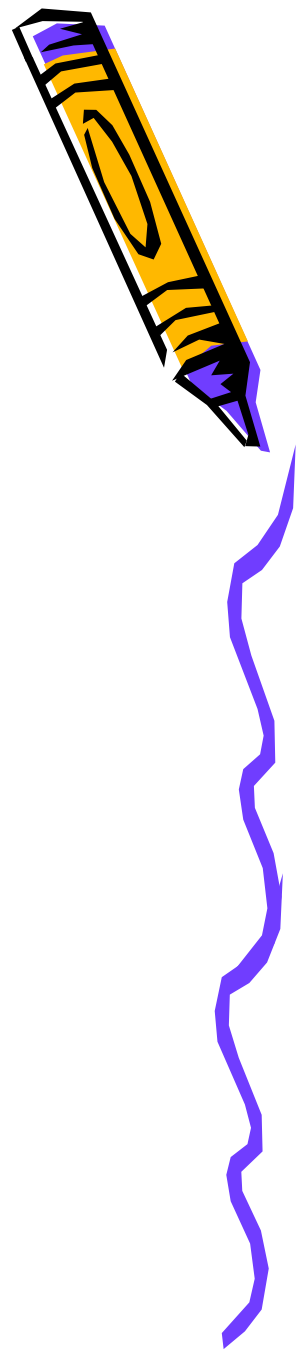
- Eats healthy meals
- Gets plenty of rest
- Sees the doctor regularly
- Is developing large muscles
- Is developing small muscles
- Can take care of toilet needs and personal hygiene independently



Working and Playing Together



Social and Emotional Readiness



- Tries new things
- Is becoming independent
- Makes transitions
- Cooperates with others
- Is interested in learning
- Finishes tasks
- Uses self-control
- Follows simple instructions

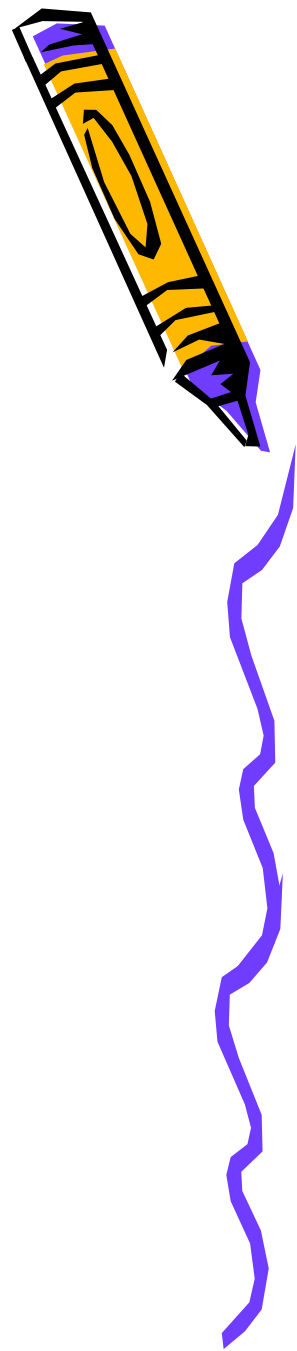


Learning and Communicating

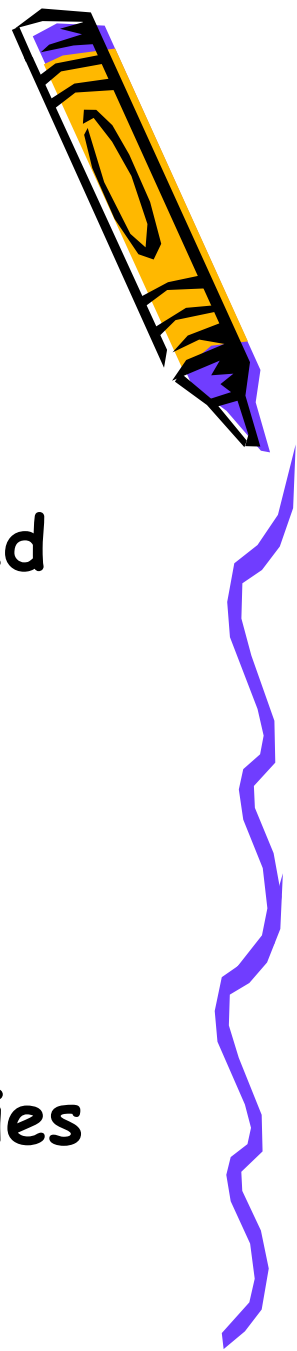


Language Readiness

- Has opportunities to experience his world
- Can carry on a conversation
- Enjoys speaking with adults
- Asks questions to learn and/or solve problems
- Enjoys books and other reading materials
- Is read to every day



General Knowledge Readiness



- Knows and writes first name
- Knows personal information when asked
- Knows 8 basic colors & basic shapes
- Likes to play counting games
- Counts and recognizes numerals to 10
- Is beginning to identify letters and sounds
- Enjoys art, music & movement activities

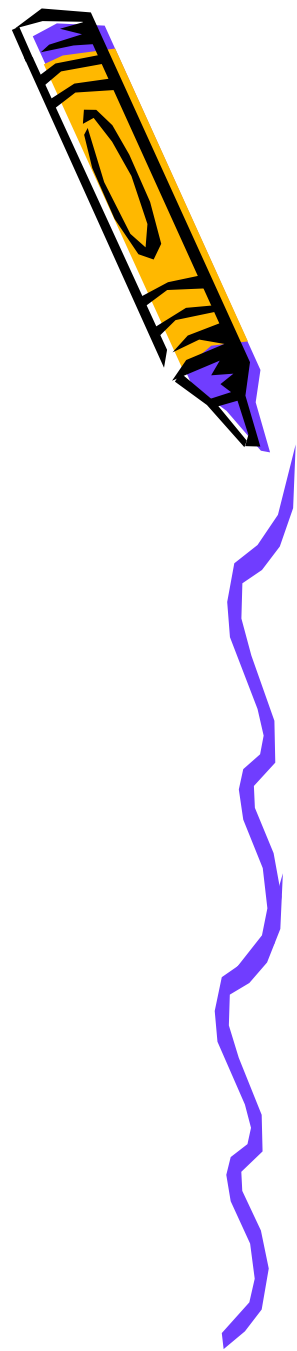


Important Dates

Date/Time	Activity	Participants
March 30th 8:30 - 11:30	Registration	Parents/ Guardians
April/May	Screening	Parents & Students
April 27 (sign up for time slot at Screening)	Visit to Garrison Mill	2016-17 Kindergarten Students
TBA (week before the start of school)	Meet and Greet	Parents & Students
August 1, 2016 7:50 - 2:20	First Day of School	Students

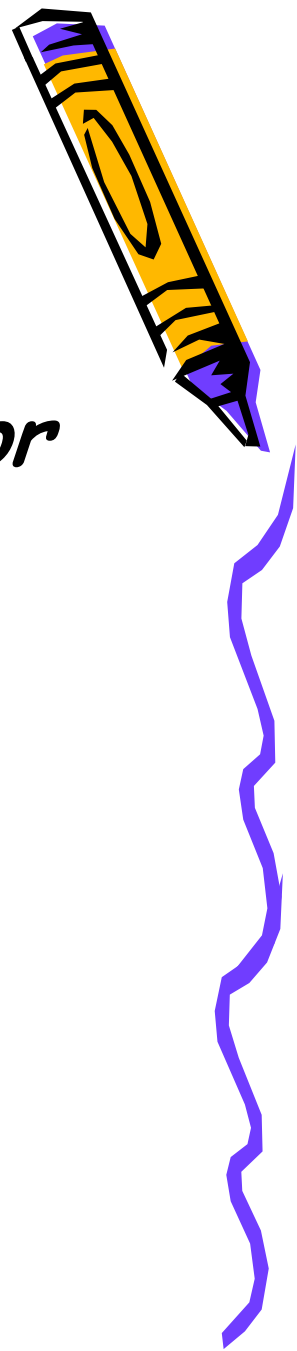
For More Information

- Cobb County School District
<http://www.cobbk12.org>
- Garrison Mill Elementary
<http://www.cobbk12.org/garrisonmill>
- Garrison Mill PTA (also linked from GM site)
<http://www.gmpta.org/>
- Georgia Department of Education
<http://www.doe.k12.ga.us>



BOOK LIST

- *Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten*
- *The Little School Bus*
- *Will I Have a Friend?*
- *Berenstain Bears Get Ready for School*
- *Leo the Late Bloomer*



Kindergarten Registration

- Ga. Immunization form, 3231
- Ga. Dental, Vision & Hearing form, 3300
- Certified Copy Birth Certificate
- Child's Social Security Card or waiver
- Two (2) Proofs of residency in school attendance zone (Utility Bill, Driver's License, etc.)
- Emergency Phone Numbers





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