

Dear Friend,

Welcome to Kindergarten! I am Mrs. Izzo and I am going to be your Kindergarten teacher this year.

We are going to have so much fun and learn so much. I hope that you had a great summer.

I can not wait to hear about all the exciting adventures you had!

I look forward to meeting you very soon!!

Love,

Mrs. Izzo



August 1, 2023

Dear Parents,

Welcome to Kindergarten at Blanche Ames Elementary School. My name is Samantha Izzo and I am going to be your child's Kindergarten teacher this year!! The Paraprofessional in our classroom is Mrs. Kashgagian, aka Mrs. Kash. Our Classroom room number is C-107.

Kindergarten is a time of new beginnings, making friends, and learning lots of new things each and every day. I really hope your child is excited about beginning the school year. Don't worry, all of the anxieties about the "newness" will soon disappear and we will all be having such a great time as we start learning our routines and begin to make great friendships. I am excited to get to know you and your child throughout the year.

Here is a little bit of information to help you get to know me better. I have wanted to be a teacher my whole life. I graduated with a degree in Special Education, Elementary Education and Early Childhood from Salve Regina University. I have a Master's degree in Education from Cambridge College. This will be my 20<sup>th</sup> year teaching and my 12th year teaching Kindergarten. I am so excited for another great school year. When I am not teaching, I enjoy spending time with my husband and our daughters, Alexandra, who is 13 and Abigail, who is 10 as well as our dogs, Rocky and Apollo.

Our days and weeks in Kindergarten will be filled with many wonderful experiences and opportunities for learning and growing. We will learn all about letters, sounds, rhyming and will be doing many writing activities. We will learn sight words and will be readers by the end of the year. We will also be learning all about numbers, addition and subtraction, shapes and building on important math concepts throughout the year. In addition we will explore different science and social studies themes. We will also do many art projects to coincide with the different themes within our classroom.

I believe that communication and a good parent-teacher relationship are necessary for maximum school success. Throughout the year I will communicate with you through a website called BLOOMZ, notes, emails, telephone calls, newsletters, and parent-teacher conferences. I encourage you to contact me if you have any questions or concerns at any time. Please feel free to call the school at (508)230-3230, send me a note or email me at [sizzo@easton.k12.ma.us](mailto:sizzo@easton.k12.ma.us). Please look for an email from me regarding signing up for our classroom communication page via Bloomz. I'm looking forward to a wonderful year with you and your child.

Love,

Mrs. Izzo and Mrs. Kashgagian (Mrs. Kash)



# SAVE THE DATES!

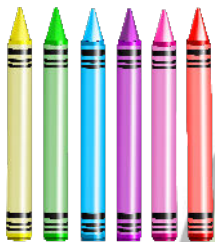
**Tuesday August 29 from 6:30-7:15 PM: BACK TO SCHOOL ICE CREAM SOCIAL:** Come meet your teacher and new classmates and say goodbye to summer with ice cream.  
Where: Blanche Ames Elementary School, bus loop blacktop and playground.

**Wednesday August 30, 2023 6:00 PM. GET ACQUAINTED NIGHT:** this is an information night for parents only where you will learn about our school year and see your child's classroom.

**Thursday August 31, 2023 9:30-11:00 AM OPEN HOUSE:** Bring your child to see their new classroom, meet their teacher and get familiar with their new surroundings before school starts. During Open House, the first 60 minutes will be spent in classrooms. Students will then use the last 30 minutes to take a short school bus ride to familiarize themselves with riding a bus.

**Friday September 1, 2023: FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR KINDERGARTEN:**  
school hours are 8:50-3:20





# SUPPLY LIST

- A Backpack (Labeled with Student name) that ZIPS and is big enough to hold a pocket folder, snack and lunch (preschool size are too small) **NO BACKPACKS WITH WHEELS PLEASE!**
- A lunch box or bag (labeled with students name)
- Snack bag or container (labeled with students name)
- Sneakers for Physical Education (best worn daily)
- A Pocket Folder (plastic that can be wiped down) for back and forth to school (may need to replenish throughout the year)
- 2 1 inch binders (white with outer sleeves)
- Headphones/earbuds (to stay at school all year)
- Reusable Water bottle that can close (labeled)
- A change of clothes- one full outfit including underwear and socks (in a gallon ziplock back labeled with name)

We supply most classroom items (pencils, crayons etc). Please only send in what is on the list. We have one snack daily. Please send a healthy snack and a drink with your child everyday. Please put these in a **different container** than lunch to avoid confusion.

**Please label all materials sent in with your child.**

## WISH LIST

There are a variety of supplies and recycling items that are frequently used in our class. These consumables often need replacing throughout the year. If you are able to donate any of these items to our class, we would greatly appreciate your support. Thank you for your contributions!

- Paper Towels (need lots)
  - Paper Plates
  - Baby wipes (need lots)
  - Plastic Silverware
  - Tissues
  - Napkins
- Ziploc bags (snack, sandwich and gallon size)
- small toys for prize box (dollar store is great)
  - thin colored EXPO dry erase markers
  - Mr. Clean Magic Erasers
  - Bleach Wipes
  - Hand Sanitizer with Aloe

Amazon Wish list (not necessary but nice to have in the classroom):

[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3KG2AE4NXUS6C?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3KG2AE4NXUS6C?ref=wl_share)