

~ Welcome Letter ~

Hope Preschool 3's Sea Stars

Hi Sea Star families, and welcome! I am Christina Figgins, and I'll be teaching the 3's this year. This is my 11th year teaching at Hope. I am also the Preschool Director, and Extended Care Director. My background and life has been all about children. I have often found that some of my best friends are children. I appreciate their honesty and zest for life. I guess I'm kind of a kid at heart.



I have a bachelor's degree in Psychology, with an emphasis in Early Childhood Education. I worked at an early learning center in the Greenlake area for 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ years, nannied for 10 years, and raised my 3 children as well.

I live in West Seattle with my husband, son, and golden retriever. My 2 daughters are getting married in 2022! Some of my favorite things to do are: escape to Disneyland with my family, garden, and take walks with my dog. I have also been a life-long member of Hope Church, and attended Hope School myself. So, this is a little about me. Can't wait to learn more about you!



To kick things off, our first theme will be "getting to know you". This will be a fun way to get to learn about each other. You will find a "**person**" shape in this mailing, please attach a picture of your family to it (a photocopy is fine). You and your child can decorate it however you like. Have fun with it. I look forward to seeing all your creative styles! We will display these on a bulletin board. Family photos in the room are a great touchstone for the children to connect with and share

with their friends. You can drop these off on the "Back to School Event" or during the first week of school.

Now for some important info to help you ease into the new school year:

***First day of school for the Sea Stars: Wednesday, Sept 1st**

I will let you know more information about our drop off/pick up routine and covid policies prior to school starting.

***Forms and Communications:**

Be sure to check the school website, hls.hopeseattle.org to keep up with all school news. The forms (milk order, permission/medical, emergency, etc) which will be due to the school office, are also here for you to download. This is also where you can find orientation materials and my newsletters about the happenings in the preschool classes. Go to "classrooms" then click on "Sea Stars" or my picture. I will also be emailing weekly newsletters to you.

Please go to the website and fill out the necessary forms any time before the first day of class. Thanks! Supplies may be brought in on the first days of school or to the Back to School Event.

Enjoy the rest of your summer, and we'll see you all soon.

Many Blessings!

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