



## ***VPK (Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten)***

Hello. My name is Christine Reed (AKA "Miss Chris") and besides teaching your child music each week, I am also in charge of keeping accurate records for our VPK program. **Please make sure you review the attendance policy attached.**

### **Childcare Days**

VPK children that are NOT enrolled in our extended day program do not attend on Childcare Days during our academic school year (including Winter Break and Spring Break). Please refer to your school calendar for list of Childcare Days.

Those children enrolled in our VPK extended day program will be charged your regular weekly tuition plus an additional \$18 charge for Childcare Days as these days are not subsidized through the state VPK program. The Winter Break rate (for Dec. 26 - Jan 6) will be \$165 weekly or \$44 daily. December 23 & January 9 are childcare days and you will be charged an additional \$18 for each of these days if your child attends. The Spring Break rate (April 2 - 5) will be \$165 if your child attends all four days or \$44 daily rate (April 6 we are CLOSED). (*\*Daily rates mean you WILL be using a vacation week, but only attend a partial week*)

### **Attendance Verification Form**

At the end of every month, there will be an attendance verification form on the front counter that requires a parent's (or guardian's) signature to record that your child was enrolled in the VPK program here at Kids' Stuff that month.

If you have any further questions or concerns, I work in the front office in the afternoon (except Tuesday) from 3:30 - 5:00 p.m. I'm also usually around room 7 in the morning from 8:30 - 9:00 a.m. Please feel free to call me here at Kids' Stuff at the times above, or leave a note for me in the front office and I will get back to you as soon as I can.

Thank You,

Christine Reed  
"Miss Chris"



## Parents of Kids' Stuff VPK Program 2011 - 2012

The absentee policy for the 2011 - 2012 school year is as follows as stated by the Pasco Early Learning Coalition:

Children are permitted to miss 20% of the number of days each month that are designated school days (not including childcare days). In the event that your child misses more than 20% of the days allowed, Kids' Stuff will not be reimbursed by the state of Florida for the days exceeding 20%. Please try to make every effort to bring your child to school before or after doctor check-ups or dentist appointments to count your child as present in our program. All VPK children are allowed two weeks vacation for Winter Break (Dec. 26, 2011 - Jan. 6, 2012) and one week vacation for Spring Break (April 2 - 6, 2012). Please schedule vacation for Winter & Spring Break or other childcare days.

If your child is running a fever, lethargic, has yellow or green running nose or eyes, or shows other signs of illness such as an unusual disposition, it is important not to expose other children and teachers to possible illness and we do appreciate your cooperation to keep sick children home. Here is the break down of the number of days a VPK student is allowed to be absent from school by the Early Learning Coalition for each month:

August:	0 days
September:	4 days
October:	4 days
November:	3 days
December:	3 days
January:	3 days
February:	4 days
March:	4 days
April:	3 days
May:	4 days
June:	NO DAYS (Only three days in June!)

**\*Please keep in mind that our VPK program runs through June 5th. It is extremely important that your child attends the last day of school June 5th to complete the VPK program.**

Thank You,

Jackie Genovese  
Director