Kindergarten Information Night 2025-2026

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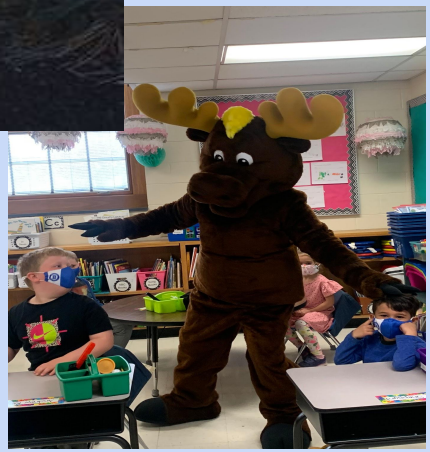
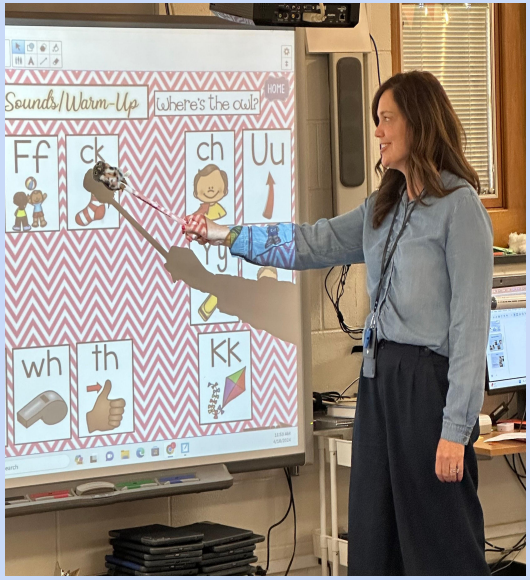
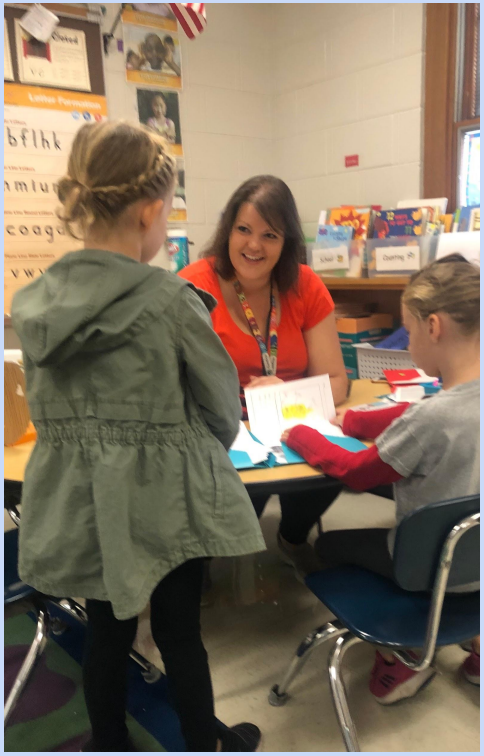


Meet the Kindergarten Teachers



Mrs. Battisti

Mrs. Schlitter



Mrs. Young

Welcome to Kindergarten at Montrose!

Beginning the Day

- Establishing routines
- Building classroom community
- Working towards independence

Morning Meeting

- Greeting/Activity
- Sharing
- Morning Message
- News Show
- Calendar
- Phonemic Awareness

Parts of Our Day

- Math (Bridges and Number Corner)
- Literacy Block
- Snack
- Recess
- Lunch

- Allied Arts
- Science/Social Studies
- Choice Time
- Read Aloud
- Buddies

Academic Programs

Writing: Wit and Wisdom

Reading: Wit and Wisdom

Phonics/Phonemic Awareness: Fundations and Heggerty

Math: Bridges & Number Corner

Handwriting: Embedded within Fundations

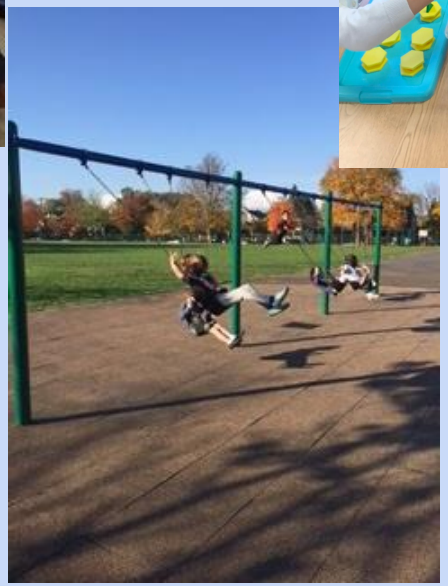
Literacy Skills Practice: LEXIA

Math Skills Practice: Dreambox

Importance of Play !

"Play is the work of the child." – Maria Montessori

- Math work stations
- Choice time
- Recess
- Special events



Lunch

- Classes have assigned tables
- Multiple grades sharing the space
- Going home is always an option - please send an email to classroom teacher and Mrs. Anderson
- Daily lunch options include: packing, hot lunch, pizza, chicken tenders, and sunbutter & jelly are always available.
- Students place their order with their classroom teacher each morning
- What you can do to help…

***Let your child practice opening and closing food items by themselves**

***Let your child know what their lunch plan will be each day!**

Recess

- Recess after lunch with multiple grade levels on the playground
  - usually 1-2 other recesses as a class, especially at the start of the school year
- How to best prepare your child for this experience:
  - Talk about problem solving steps
  - Give reminders about friends they know
  - Plan for play

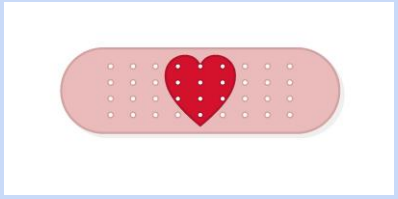
Monty's Helpers

- Administrator
- Administrative Assistant
- Art
- Music teacher
- Phys Ed teacher
- Librarian
- Nurse
- Counselor

School Nurse

Mrs. Tyson

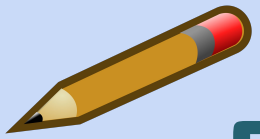
- Health and injury assessment and treatment
- Promote healthy school environment
- Changes of clothing as needed for accidents (please send a spare set in your child's backpack)
- Hearing and sight evaluations/referral
- Necessary medication administration
- Communicable Diseases Information



School Counselor

Mrs. Hipsley

- Weekly social emotional class (SEL) on topics including: Kindness, Respect, Responsibility, Gratitude, Empathy, Perseverance, Honesty, Cooperation, Courage, & Creativity
- Small Group Counseling
- Individual Short Term Counseling
- Parent Consultation
- Collaboration with Staff
- Crisis Response
- Referrals to outside agencies: including basic needs and mental health resources.



Ways to Help Your Child Prepare for Kindergarten

- Practice self care skills (bathroom, putting on coat, zipping, tying, organizing materials and space, cleaning up after self)
- Build in child responsibilities and independence at home (clear table, get self dressed)
- Listening to others
- Taking turns, sharing, honesty (play board games together, practice being a good sport)
- Normalizing mistakes (it is ok to make mistakes, what can we learn from what happened?)
- Naming feelings (I feel _____, because of _____.)
- Problem solving strategies (say the problem, think of solutions)
- Establish a healthy sleep schedule and daily routine (10-12 hours of sleep a night, we do not have nap)

Upcoming Events

- Kindergarten Playground Play Dates Weds. June 11th at 6:30pm, Weds.. July 9th at 6:30pm, & Thursday,. August 7th at 6:30pm
- New Family Night -TBD

- Kindergarten Meet and Greets with K Teachers August 4th & August 7th (Sign Up for this event)

- Open House - Tuesday, August 12 from 3-4
  - (Supply Drop-off and meet the teacher)

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- Kindergarten Staggered Start Dates:
  August 14th & 15th (your child attends **one** of these dates)

- Monday, August 18th - all K students together

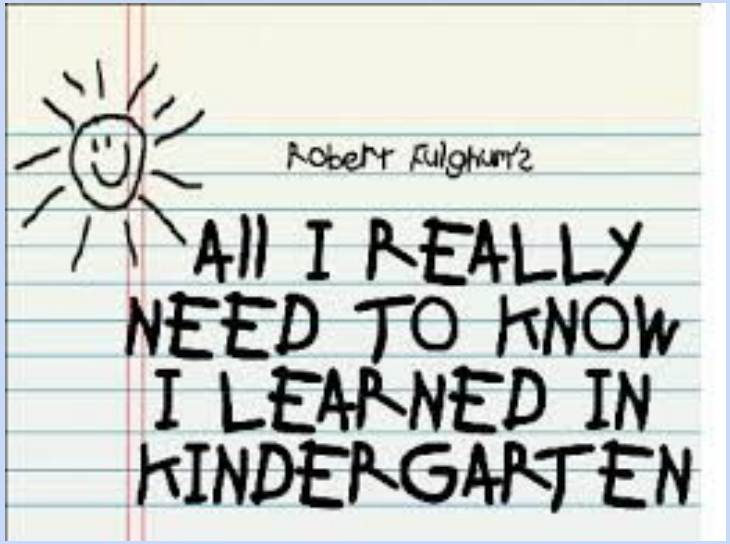
Contact Information

- Kindergarten teachers:
  Laura Battisti, laura.battisti@Bexley.us
  Cassidy Schlitter, Cassidy.Schlitter@Bexley.us, and
  Mary Young, Mary.Young@Bexley.us

- Principal, Nyesha Clayton
- Nyesha.Clayton@bexley.us

- Secretary, Katie Anderson
  Katie.Anderson@Bexley.us

Questions?
We are excited to meet the Class of 2038!!!!



Montrose Elementary

Kindergarten Orientation
April 24, 2025

A Look Ahead

The PTO's mission is to support the families, students and teachers of Montrose Elementary, creating opportunities for all and fostering a kind community!

Over 10 Communities Events throughout the School Year!
Ice Cream Social, Festive of the Arts, Cardboard Challenge, Fun for All, Family Dance, Fun Run & Dance and more!

15+ Chair Positions, leading annual events and year long involvement!
Birthday Book Club, Room Parents, Read-a-thon, Staff Appreciation, SunShine committee and more.

Teacher Mini Grants, Arts in School, Spiritwear,
Copy Parents, Room Parents, Birthday Book club & More!

Community Enrichment: Playground shade, new improved, Montrose community gardens, DARN donations, seeds of caring.

CARDBOARD
CHALLENGE

KONA ICE

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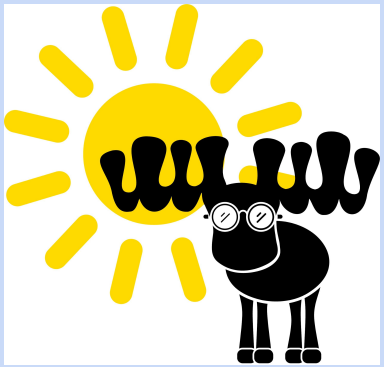
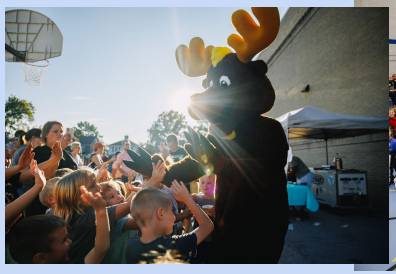
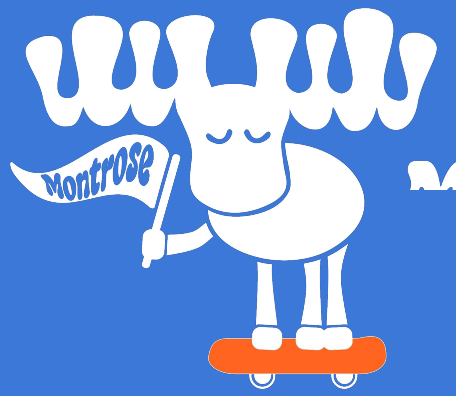




THANK YOU

To learn more and to get involved
check us out on Facebook & Instagram!
@montrose_PTO



Get Connected

Organization	Purpose/Goal	Contact info
D.A.R.N. Developmental Assets Resource Network	meet the needs of Bexley community children and families making efforts to assure access to necessary resources.	https://darncares.org/contact/
Diverse Learning PTO		
Bexley Rec- aftercare	The Bexley Recreation and Parks Department provides the Before & After Care Programming for Maryland, Cassingham, and Montrose Elementary students	Phone: (614) 559-4300
JCC- aftercare	CURRENT JCC MEMBER: MARCH 25 COMMUNITY REGISTRATION: APRIL 1	https://columbusjcc.org/jclub/
One Bexley	welcoming and provides a sense of belonging for all community members and visitors	Information through City of Bexley, programming posted through school district sometimes, too
MT PTO		MontrosePTO@gmail.com

District website > Communications > Community Portal Sign Up