**KINDERGARTEN UNIFORMS & DAILY ROUTINES**

**Uniforms**: Kindergarten students wear the IHM gym uniform daily. Uniform pieces may be purchased through the school store. The uniform consists of:

· IHM t-shirt ($8)

· IHM shorts ($12)

· IHM sweatshirt ($18) and sweatpants ($15)

· Sneakers (tie or velcro)

**Arrival / Dismissal**: The school doors open at 8:00am by the gym entrance. School starts promptly at 8:15am. Students who arrive late (after 8:20am) must report to the school office for a late pass. Dismissal for kindergarten students is 2:55pm. We ask that you wait outside the double doors near the gym. We will dismiss each student once we have seen his/her parent. Children who attend “Beyond the Bell” will be escorted down to the gym.

**Snack**: Kindergarten students should bring a small snack every day. Snacks should be quick and easy for the students to eat independently. Ideas for snacks include sliced fruit, crackers, animal cookies, pretzels, etc. Water will be provided to drink. Please do not send a separate drink for snack.

**Hot Lunch Program**: Kindergarten students may purchase hot lunch from the kitchen. A menu is posted monthly on the IHM website with menu items and prices. Kindergarten students **do not** purchase the a la carte snack items (i.e. chips and candy). Hot lunch money should be sent in an envelope with the child’s name and menu item.

**Illness and Absences**: Your child’s regular attendance is crucial to his/her success! However, school policy requires that you keep a child home for 24 hours after he/she has had a fever or vomiting. When a child returns to school following an absence, a note explaining the absence should be given to the teacher.

**Money**: On occasions, it will be necessary for your child to bring money to school. Always send money to school in a sealed envelope labeled with: your child’s name, the amount of money and the purpose for the money (hot lunch, party, field trip, etc.).

**Daily Folders**: All important papers and notices will be sent via the daily folder. Please check and remove all papers from this folder on a nightly basis. All communication to the teacher should be sent via this folder as well. A monthly calendar of classroom/school events will also be provided/kept in the pocket of this folder for parents to refer to.

**Inclement Weather**: In the event of inclement weather, IHM follows the decision of Baltimore County Public Schools.