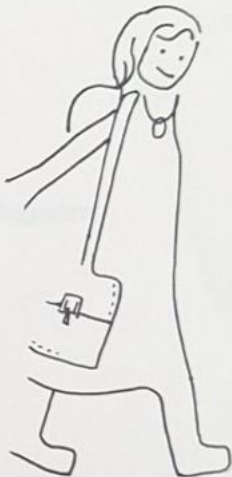


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## INTRODUCTION TO OUR KINDERGARTEN

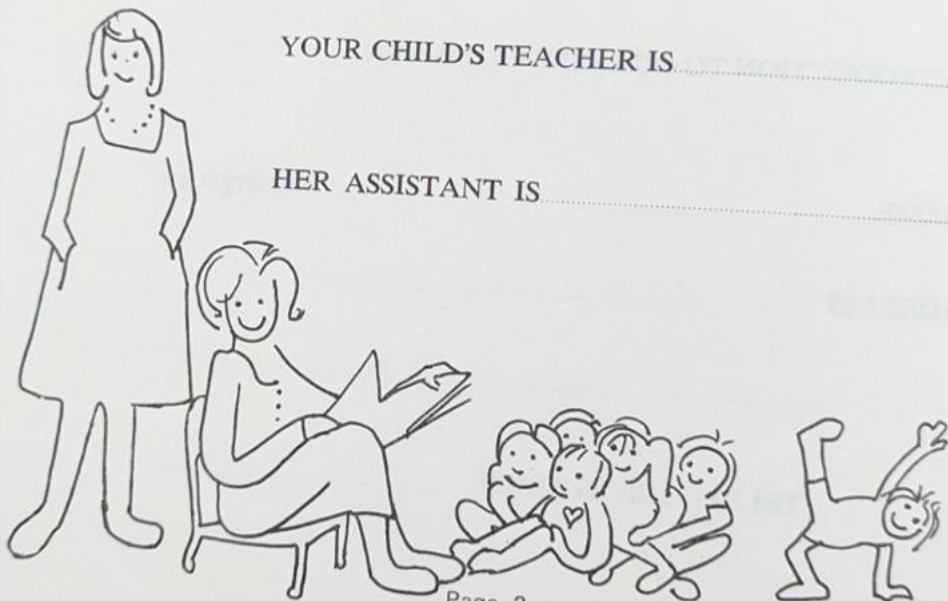
NAME..... Kindergarten

ADDRESS.....  
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TELEPHONE NUMBER.....

YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER IS .....

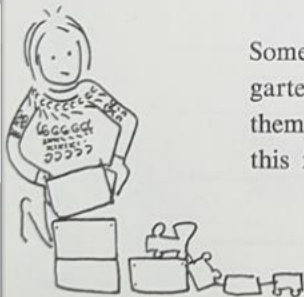
HER ASSISTANT IS .....



## WELCOME TO OUR KINDERGARTEN

We hope that.....will  
have a happy year with us.

Some children feel shy when they start at kindergarten. They need their mother to stay with them for a few days until they are familiar with this new place and know their teachers.



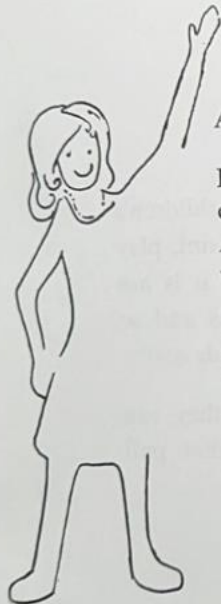


DAYS AND TIMES YOUR CHILD COMES TO  
KINDERGARTEN

DAY

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## ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE

Each time you bring your child to kindergarten, come inside as the teacher likes to greet you both. Again, when you collect your child the teacher will want to say goodbye to you both.

This gives the teacher the opportunity to tell you about your child's time at kindergarten and it also means that you can ask her questions.

If you cannot bring or collect your child yourself, then tell the teacher the name of the person who will be doing this for you.





## CLOTHING

The teacher will do her best to protect the children's clothes and they will wear aprons when they paint, play with clay and other such activities. However, it is not possible for children to stay clean at all times and so it is best for children to wear clothes that wash easily.

Remember to dress children in clothes that they can manage themselves. For example, trousers that pull down easily when children go to the toilet.





## HEALTH AND ABSENCE

If your child is sick he should stay home until he is better. If he gets an infectious disease call and see the teacher and she will tell you how long the regulations state he must be away.

Do remember to tell the teacher if your child will be away for more than a few days, that is, if you are going away, or if you cannot bring him for any reason.



## VISITING CHILDREN AT HOME

The teacher may ask if she can visit your child at home. If your child has been sick the teacher likes to keep in touch with him so that it is easier when he returns. Also, after seeing a child in his own home the teacher can talk to him about his own familiar things — his baby brother, his bicycle, his dog, etc.

The teacher will understand if it is not convenient for her to visit you. You can always arrange to talk to her at kindergarten and each.....she is free to see parents.



## MONEY — (CONTRIBUTIONS FROM PARENTS)

Each family is asked to pay a regular sum of money to the kindergarten and this is called the Parents' Contributions. The teacher will discuss with you the amount needed and ask you if you wish to pay each week, each fortnight, or for a term.

The kindergarten must have money from parents because it is needed to buy such things as equipment, to pay a cleaner, electricity accounts, etc.



## WAYS IN WHICH PARENTS CAN HELP

Any help that parents can give to the kindergarten is appreciated and here are some of the ways in which help is needed . . .

- . . . Preparing milk and fruit for the children's morning and afternoon tea at kindergarten.
- . . . Sometimes the teacher needs help from parents if she wants to take the children outside the kindergarten — to a park, the fire station, etc.
- . . . There are always jobs to be done like sewing, gardening, mending broken equipment, and the teacher will be glad to know of mothers and fathers who can assist.
- . . . Some parents may like to come and tell stories to children, to do the garden or to cook with them.



## THE KINDERGARTEN COMMITTEE

Each year an Annual Meeting is held at the kindergarten at which a Committee is elected to run the kindergarten.

We would like you to attend and please tell us if you would be willing to serve as a committee member.

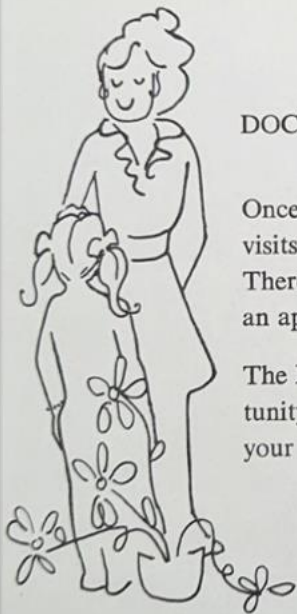
The Committee receives from the State Government a grant of money, known as a subsidy, and this pays the salaries of the teacher and her assistant. More money is needed for the Committee to administer the kindergarten and this is obtained from Parents contributions and money raising functions.



## PARENT MEETINGS

Watch the notice board in the kindergarten as this will tell you of coming events. Sometimes the Committee plans social functions to enable you to get to know other parents.

At other times the teacher may arrange for parents to meet at the kindergarten to listen to a speaker, or just to talk together about things that interest you.



## DOCTOR'S VISIT

Once a year a Doctor, from the Department of Health, visits the kindergarten and briefly examines each child. There is no cost to the parent. The teacher will make an appointment time to suit you.

The Doctor likes to see each parent and this is an opportunity to discuss any worries you may have concerning your child.

