## **Seaside Preparatory Early Learning Academy**

## Helpful Hints for Your Student's First VPK Week (and Beyond!!)

- 1. The first week of school is always very hectic. We know it can be an emotional time for parents and students-- please say goodbyes in advance of arriving at school (our "kiss & go" policy is much easier on your student-- we promise!!).
- 2. Our driveway/space for parking is very limited—please make sure you park as tightly as is safely possible next to your neighbor and that you're using "kiss & go!!"
- 3. Your student will be very active during the day-- outside play and art activities can be very hard on your student's clothes. Please dress your student in clothing that you don't mind seeing dirty/damaged. Please also send your student in closed-toed shoes.
- 4. We partner with our parents to ensure that each student's VPK education is effective. Please make sure you review your copy of the kindergarten mastery skills document (available from Miss Alex) with your student periodically (at least monthly!!) both during and after VPK-- we would appreciate you sharing the results of your assessments with us-- and we will continue to share results with you.
- 5. Social interaction and playtime are important parts of your student's development. Bumps and bruises often result from these activities and can be a normal result of your student's development.
- 6. Make sure that the person picking up your student has a valid and current Florida driver's/ID card. Children will not be released to unauthorized persons nor persons without valid ID.
- 7. Late fees apply to children picked up more than 10 minutes after dismissal-please pick up on time each day.
- 8. Students will be taking work home in a folder. It is not necessary to supply a backpack. Please make sure your student returns his/her folder to school each day.
- 9. VPK students are allowed just 3 absences per month by the Early Learning Coalition-- any further unexcused absences will result in disenrollment from VPK.

