



Dear Parents,

Welcome to OIST Tedako Child Development Center. We are excited to have your child join the Nujumi Class!

"Nujumi" means "hope" in Okinawan language. We are committed to creating an environment where children can prepare fun learning activities, fully demonstrate their abilities, and experience the satisfaction of accomplishment.

The first couple of weeks will be a transition for your child, please feel free to call and check on your child throughout the day. Young children are very adaptable by nature and are sure to be comfortable with their new teachers and environment very soon.

Children learn through a variety of themes throughout the year, with two circle times per day, switching themes every month, and learning developmentally appropriate language, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math), and social skills in both Japanese and English. Activities are play-based and planned with a balance of child-centered and teacher-led activities, in which children learn independently.

<Drop off and Pick up/Supplies>

- We ask that children arrive by 9:30 am as a morning snack will be served at 9 am. Please send your child to school with sunscreen on during hot season. (April - October)
- If your child is sick or cannot attend for some reason, please e-mail us nujumi@oist.jp before 9:30am on that day to let us know.
- We play outside except during bad weather, so please bring closed-toe shoes or rain boots every day.
- If an individual is not listed on the Emergent Contact Form, we do not release the child to that individual.
- Please sign the time of drop off and pick up on attendance sheet each day. If an authorized person will drop off or pick up your child, please inform that person of the attendance sheet.
- We ask that you prepare all the supplies on the attached supply list and write your child's name on everything. Each child has his or her own cubby where we keep all their supplies.
- We open from 8:00am-6:00pm on Monday to Friday. We will charge a late fee of 1000 yen every 15 minutes when a child is picked up after 6:00pm.
- When you pick up your child, please do not forget to take home his or her water bottle.

Thank you very much for your trust. We are thrilled to have this opportunity to nurture and educate your child. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact either of us.

Best regards,
Nujumi Class Teachers (Takako, Maria, & Nao)