

## TOOLS OF THE MIND

For our Kindergarteners, Tools of the Mind is a curriculum which focuses on the development of the cognitive and social emotional. In a Tools classroom, students are active learners who participate in lots of role play and dramatic play. Classroom management techniques maximize student's involvement in productive tasks.

## MES AFFORDABLE DAYCARE

Before School Care  
7:15 to 9:05 a.m.

After School Care  
3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

## WEDNESDAY ENRICHMENT CLASSES

Students at our school are able to participate in academic and social enrichment programs. The children participate in these classes every Wednesday afternoons during the school day. Classes range from Yoga and indoor sports, to science, arts and crafts, book club, architectural design, social skills, ukulele, music appreciation, and drama. Each session runs for eight weeks.

## MES PTO

Meetings are held monthly at 6pm.  
All parents are invited to attend.  
Childcare is provided.

## MES SCHOOLCOUNCIL

Meetings are held monthly at  
4:00 p.m.  
Open to the public.

## Parent and Community Connections

Opportunities to Volunteer  
Reading with Seniors  
Open House Nights  
Classes for Parents in ESL or Title One  
Strong Parental Partner Association (PTO)  
School Council  
Mid-Cape Coordinated Family Community  
Engagement (CFCE)  
Breakfasts with Family Members  
PTO Events  
Parent Family Programs  
Book Fairs  
Family Interactive Nights  
Partnerships with Fire, Police, Cape Cod Community  
Arts, Symphony, Senior Center

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## **Marguerite E. Small Elementary School**

*“The Small School with the  
Big Heart”*



## *Message from the Principal...*

Built in 1963, MES is a Pre-K to Gr. 3 Elementary School. Our skilled faculty and dedicated staff are committed to preparing students for the challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. Our teachers guide, inspire, and nurture as they strive to help MES students become compassionate, happy, and successful learners and people.

*~Carole Eichner*

## OUR VISION

We embrace the concept that every child can learn. We will work to provide a safe, enriching environment where every child, in his or her unique style, has the opportunity to achieve success. We will continue to foster our commitment to school/community/parent relationships.

## WHAT MAKES MES A SPECIAL PLACE?

Full Adoption of the Common Core Standards in Mathematics and English Language Arts and Literacy

A Standards-based Report Card

Outstanding Integration of the Fine Arts, Music, and Physical Education

Ensuring 21<sup>st</sup> Century Technology

Smart Boards©

Extended Learning Opportunities

Instrumental Music Lessons in Grade 3

Balanced Literacy Instruction

Research-Based Practices

Tools of the Mind (Kindergarten)

Daily Mathematics and Literacy Blocks

Manipulatives & Resources for Hands-On Learning

Instruction for English Language Learners

Interventions (Reading Recovery, Leveled Literacy Intervention and Title One)

Well-Stocked Student Leveled Book Room

We are a literacy collaborative school in partnership with Lesley University

Biannual parent/teacher conferences

Active Parent-Teacher organization

We are...  
"The Small School with the Big Heart"



### We are family!

We bring families to school:  
Reading Night, Math Night,  
Game Night, PTO Ice Cream Social,  
& Book Fairs, Open House,  
Parent Conferences, Holiday Sing-A-Longs,  
All School Meetings, Field Day!

### We support our families!

We offer services such as Social Work  
and School Psychologist referrals plus  
ELL full time staff to help English  
Language Learners.  
Our Pre-School program keeps older and  
younger siblings in one location,  
learning and growing together!

### We enrich our students' lives!

We start our day with classical music!  
We have visits from: Authors, Poets, Artists,  
Marine Biologists, Geography experts,  
Native American actors and Historical Society.  
We go to visit: Yarmouth Fire Station,  
Museum of Natural History,  
Green Briar Nature Center, area lighthouses,  
Plimoth Plantation, Cape Cod Symphony!

### We have...

talented, dedicated staff who care deeply about our  
students. We have small class sizes with  
individualized attention.  
We have engaged learners!

### We offer. . .

After-School Enrichment Programs that support  
students' growth as learners as well as foster  
friendships and their emotional, social growth!

## What MES offers you and your student:

- Morning and Afternoon Daycare
- Early Education Program
- Create the Good – Food Pantry
- Spirit Days
- Monthly All-School Meetings
- Character Education
- Weekly Newsletter updates and Web updates
- Field Trips
- Poetry Readings
- Intra-District School Choice
- Lunch with the Principal
- Jump Rope for Heart
- Guest Reader Days
- Art Celebrations
- On-Site Social Worker, Psychologist, and Nurse
- Family Breakfast
- All Day Kindergarten – Tools of the Mind
- After-School Activity Programs
- Hot Breakfast and Lunch Programs
- Musical Performances in Every Grade
- Computer Lab and Library