

Wind Rose Slack Guidelines

Community Guidelines:

1. Enjoy the space! This Slack is our little village! This space is meant to create and build community.
2. Use kind, respectful language. Consider tone — written messages land differently.
3. Make positive assumptions, and check in when something feels unclear.
4. Your word is golden: We have integrity in our relationships and our actions. Use the power of your word in the direction of truth and love.
5. Use threads when possible. Replying in the thread keeps conversations tidy and reduces phone notifications for families.

Channels List:

#announcements

Who can post: Wind Rose Staff

Our school bulletin board — a read-first channel for important updates from the Wind Rose team. Posts will only come from Wind Rose staff in this channel.

You'll find:

- School closures and holiday schedules
- Special events (pumpkin hunts, pajama/Hygge day, costume days, food drives)
- Classroom-wide projects (Pumpkin Collection, Stone Soup, seasonal activities)
- Reminders about supplies, weather/gear, and Brightwheel/app outages
- Welcomes and introductions for new staff or major community updates

To keep this channel clear and high-signal:

- Teachers/Admin post → families read first.
- Families are welcome to reply in the thread under each post. Threads keep conversations organized and reduce notifications.
- Please avoid starting new stand-alone posts here. Too many posts dilutes the importance of real announcements.

For shares, invites, questions, or general conversation, please use #random or #good-reads.

#general-rivendell

Who can post: Wind Rose Staff and Parents

Your Rivendell home base. This is where teachers and families:

- Share daily photos, stories, and moments from the day
- Post invitations for birthdays, meetups, and family shares

- Offer reminders (weather, gear, timing, field trips, etc.)
- Ask questions about routines, curriculum, or logistics
- Share resources connected to what the class is learning

If it's Rivendell-specific and helps the group stay connected, it belongs here.

#general-shire

Who can post: Wind Rose Staff and Parents

Same idea, Shire flavor. This is where teachers and families:

- Share daily photos, highlights, and sweet moments from the classroom or outdoors
- Post invitations for birthdays, playdates, and family shares
- Offer Shire-specific reminders (gear, timing, field trips, etc.)
- Ask questions about classroom rhythms, curriculum, or logistics
- Share resources linked to current Shire themes and interests

If it's Shire-specific and supports connection, this is the place.

#good-reads

Who can post: Wind Rose Staff and Parents

A space for parent + teacher learning. Here we share:

- Short write-ups on child development, Montessori, and early childhood research
- Articles, podcasts, and studies connected to what we're observing in the classroom
- Practical tips on movement, core strength, reflexes, STEM, emotional regulation, etc.
- Occasional book or resource spotlights ("shelfies," seasonal reads, etc.)

Posts here are optional, helpful reads — never homework. Skim when you can, save what resonates, and feel free to comment or add meaningful resources of your own.

#lost-and-found

Who can post: Wind Rose Staff and Parents

A cheerful corner for reuniting runaway mittens, jackets, lunch gear, AirTags, umbrellas, and anything else our spirited kiddos swap or leave behind.

Teachers and Parents post photos of found items; families can claim them or mention what's missing. Quick, friendly, and always full of tiny mysteries.