

September, 2009

Dear Parents,

It was nice to meet so many of you the first day of school. The children have had an exciting first week of school. The children drew pictures of themselves in their journals and wrote their names. We took a tour of our school. I'm sure they shared their map and tour ticket with you. We also talked about the rules of respecting others, respecting property, respecting ourselves, be here, be ready.

Each month a newsletter will be available to read online to let you know about our upcoming activities and lessons. It will also include important dates and reminders. In addition, you will receive a monthly calendar with daily activities.

COMING ATTRACTIONS:

During September we will continue to talk about rules at school, our friends, and our families. We will also review colors and shapes. Please see the color days listed on your calendar and have your child wear that color if he/she has something that color. We will learn color songs and spelling for each of the color words.

In math, we will begin to work with pattern and attribute blocks to reinforce shape activities. The children will play a partner matching game during math and discuss length and size. We will also work on counting and patterning.

SPECIAL NOTES:

This Thursday evening is Curriculum Night. This is an evening for parents to come and learn more about the kindergarten curriculum, grading, and classroom activities. There will be opportunities to sign-up to assist in the classroom, on field trips, with parties, and to help with classroom preparation. You will also have an opportunity to sign-up for your parent/teacher conference in November so bring your calendars. We look forward to seeing all of you!



Please send any PTA orders, fieldtrip money, book orders, etc. in an envelope marked with the contents (ex. Spirit Wear or Fieldtrip). We are concerned that money or checks will get lost if sent loose in the folder. It is also helpful if you can remind your child that they have a note in their folder. They often get so excited about beginning their day that they forget to check their folders. Thanks for your help!

Please have your child wear their gym shoes for P.E.

IMPORTANT DATES:

September 3	Curriculum Night
September 7	No school—Labor Day
September 9	Picture Day
September 18	No school

Sincerely,
The Kindergarten Team

