Special k News

From Ms. Moote's Class

Welcome to Kindergarten!

What a great 3 days we are having! Students are learning our routine, and getting to know each other.



This week we learned the most important word of all LOVE. Thank you all so much for sending in student supplies, and getting logged on to "Flip". The students videos are precious! I now have learned about your children's favorite things. This will be useful info to have, especially during our writers workshop time. Click Here to View student videos It's not too late for your child to make their video. It is simple to do

REMINDERS/DATES TO KNOW:

FRIDAY 9/1

Kindergarten
Shower & Royalty
Day in
Kindergarten!
(Students invited
to dress up if they
would like.)

WEDNESDAY 9/6

Picture Day

Note: Proofs will come home for parents to review, and purchase

SKIRBALL FIELD TRIP

Thursday, 9/7
Remember to
return
permission slips.



The purpose of our "Special K News" is to keep you informed with what is happening in our classroom. I

have found that some children do not tell parents what is happening in the classroom. Often this is not because they do not want to share, but because they have difficulty knowing what to focus on with so many activities taking place each day.

I hope you will be able to use this newsletter to focus your discussions with your child about their school day, and find the info helpful.

Don't Forget to sign up for **Class DOJO**. This will be our main way of communicating.

REMEMBER:

ALL MONDAYS are MINIMUM DAYS.

Schedule this Monday is 8:20-12:30 for all students Drop Off Either front Gate. Pick up at gate near reading garden

SAVE the DATE

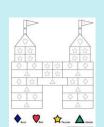
A Peek At a few of our plans:

Phonics: Using class names, and the Zoo Phonics cast of characters are motivating reading activities. You may find your child shares our name cheer with you. We are working our way throughout whole class, and will celebrate and examine each child's name!

Our first unit is "Making Friends with Letters". We are reviewing / introducing letter sounds and more. Our class mascot, Mabel, was introduced as a new friend in our class, and students LOVE her already. You might want to ask your child about her.

SPECIAL DAY PLANNED!

On Friday, to celebrate completing our first weeks of school, we will be kings and queens and perhaps a few princesses or knights in the Kingdom of Kindergarten!



As part of the celebration, children may dress up.
The days festivities including reading familiar poems and stories about kings and queens, creating paper crowns,

Language /Math Our focus with **nursery rhymes** continues. Students are already learning to listen keenly, and share their observations. There is great delight in our class as we read and act out these rhymes. Nursery rhymes are a great way to connect the new experience of Kindergarten with something familiar to them. Look for your nursery rhyme book with tips for parents to support learning to come home next week. (You may keep these books at home.)

Readers Workshop Our first unit is titled, "**We Are Readers**". One mini lesson in the plans next week is to learn how to look at book thoughtfully and go beyond simply flipping through a book and saying, " I'm Done!" This first unit is mainly about learning routines, and beginning to see themselves as readers.

In Math counting is our focus! We also are learning many routines, and how to use various tools. We begin each lesson with an invitation to talk about math. Next week we begin the routine of sharing what we **see** and what we **wonder.** At Back to School Night I will share more about our curriculum. Please come to hear details.

What is our current Science /Social Science Unit?

Getting to know each other, making friends, and good citizenship is our major focus these first few weeks, and continues throughout the school year. Next week, we have specific lessons learning **all about our brain, and how we learn.** Stay tuned for more details!

