

Dear Parents,

With the school year upon us, I have a few items and reminders to mention. As a teacher, I am here to guide your child through the beginning years of his/her educational career. I will work very hard to promote success. Together as a team, we can create a positive learning experience for your child to carry on into their future school years. Please keep in mind that kindergarten is a social growth period as your child is learning how to interact with each other, their strengths and weaknesses, and the beginning of a structured school environment. If at any time in the school year there is a concern or a suggestion, please let me know by writing a note or giving me a call. If I cannot be reached during my break, please leave a message and I will return your call as soon as possible. The school's phone number is (573) 897-3645. I can also be reached at home as well. My cell phone number is (573) 864-1696. Besides the regular quarterly reports, I will be sending notes and/or calling periodically to discuss your child's progress.

\*When sending money with your child to school, please remember to send it in an envelope with his/her name on the outside and what it is for. This is especially important on the first day of school as it tends to be hectic.

\*We will celebrate birthdays, however there is a school policy stating that parents should only send in one item per child. I also ask that you do not send party invitations for only a few children. Summer birthdays may be celebrated anytime throughout the year. Please make sure that the treat is something simple to hand out.

\*Home folders will go home on Friday with important papers and daily work. These folders will be signed and returned on the first day of the week. Notes from home are necessary for explaining why your child missed school due to illness, family emergencies, etc.

\*Your child may bring a healthy snack for morning break if he/she would like to eat. Possible snack ideas are vegetables, fruit, granola or cereal bars. All snacks should be small in size so your child will have time to play.

\*A milk ticket may be purchased for \$10.00 (for 25 milks) to drink during morning break. Students can either have a white or chocolate milk.

\*Please mark your child's name on all jackets and sweatshirts and any water bottles that are sent in each day. Please send an extra set of clothes for your child in case of a restroom accident or getting dirty. Clothes may be kept in their backpack. Please remember to change the clothing as the season changes.

\*The Missouri State law requires that all immunizations be up to date by the first day of school. If in noncompliance, students will not be allowed to remain in school. Please send information regarding recent immunizations to school on the first day of school.

\*Students arriving at school before 7:00 a.m. need to go to Extended Care. After 7:00 a.m. they need to go to the gym and wait for me to pick them up for class. On Mass days, please have your child to school by 7:50 a.m. so he/she will not be left behind when we go to church. Mass days are generally on Wednesdays of the week. After school care is available for your child. After Care will be open until 5:30 p.m.

\*Any time plans change for after school, please send in a note explaining the change and who is picking up your child.

\*Mass is an important part of our school. Please stress to your child the importance of good participation and proper behavior during Mass.

\*On the first day of school, please be brief in your farewell to your child as we need to prepare for the day.

Thank you,

Mrs. Johnson

