



September 26, 2011

Hello All-

It was so great to see those of you who were able to attend Back to School Night last week. I hope you have a good idea of how your children are learning in Kindergarten.

A Note from the Teacher:

Jennifer Polaski

We continue with our "Friends" theme and focusing on "Colors". We made a book of our favorite colors last week and the kids are practicing reading color words without color cues. This week we will learn how to collect data and tally as we survey several classes to learn their favorite colors. And our Bible story will be Joseph and his Coat of Many Colors. See the attached Weekly Lessons for all the details.

Homework

I hope homework time went well this week. **Please return Homework Letter Bags and The Homework Ziplock Bag tomorrow.** A new bag and assignment will be sent home tomorrow. I realized even with my notes, I did not talk much about homework at Back to School Night. Let me know if you have any questions. One thing I wanted to emphasize was finding the time 3-4 times a week to play with your child in the Homework Bag.

Of course they may play with the items on their own as well but several times a week with you will greatly benefit your child. Some activities in the bag may be difficult right now for your child- the bags cover a year's worth of Kindergarten learning objectives - feel free to introduce these concepts to your child IF s/he shows an interest. Don't try to have your child master these new skills in the week. It will all spiral back around as we learn these concepts in class and in future homework bags and assignments.

Lunch

It is necessary for us to adjust our lunch time due to the staff changes at Centerville. We will now have recess (playground or gym) at 11:10-11:30.

Lunch will be at 11:30-12:00. Please be sure your child has an adequate and healthy breakfast. We cannot afford the time to have a snack time in addition to lunch. Many children are telling me they are hungry at 10:00am. I teach the children they need to fuel their bodies with sleep and healthy food. Thanks so much for your support in this matter.

Have a great week. Hopefully we will see a bit more sun...

Jennifer