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JK News

First Days of School

Thank you for allowing Jenn and I to come to your home for a home visit prior to the school year starting. These visits contributed to a smooth transition from home to school for the children. I am happy to say that the only tears I witnessed were at home time! To see photos from our Open House and our first days of school please visit to our class website (photos will be added tonight).

Over the next month we will focus on getting to know one another, establishing classroom rules and routines, and thinking about possible short-term and long-term projects. Our work will be documented both in the classroom and on our class website. Please keep in mind that our website is a 'work in progress' as it will be updated each week.



School Photos

School photos have been booked for Tuesday, October 9th. Please send a 'non-messy' snack that day (ex. crackers, granola bar, apple), as some photos will be taken after snack time. An information package from our photographer can be found on the last pages of this newsletter.

Library Books

Please feel free to borrow books from our classroom library. I have created a sign-out sheet, which can be found by the children's cubbies. Please take no more than two books at a time. Thank you and happy reading!

Outside Play

We will be going outside almost everyday so please ensure your child is dressed for the weather, as we do not have extra clothing at the centre.

If the classroom door is locked at pick up time that means we are outside playing. Jenn and I will ensure the contents of your child's mailbox are in her/his backpack before we go outside.

Snack Time

While all children enjoy eating snack, it is a time Jenn and I find unnerving!

- Please do not send foods that children can easily choke on, such as grapes or hot dogs.
- Please cut food into small pieces.
- Send only nut-free snacks to school.

Thank you so much for your attention on this matter.

Field Visits

I am currently booking our field visits for the year and will be sending home an information package before the end of the month. Off-campus field visits will begin in January, once (hopefully) all children are familiar with our routines and being a member of a group. Until then, we will explore the sites and nature around the university campus.

Dress-Up Clothing

I am hoping parents can sign up to take home our dress-up clothing to be washed over a weekend. A sign up sheet has been posted by the children's cubbies, please sign up for one weekend if you are able to help with this task. Laundry will be ready to go on Thursdays.

Class Pets

A big thanks to Luka's family for caring for the class frogs over the summer! Luka will be returning the frogs to our classroom so that we can enjoy them for another year.