



**Weeks 1 and 2:
August 14-25,
2023**

Mrs. Lauren

Kindergarten Newsletter

Theme- Getting Acquainted (most of our time will be devoted to learning our classroom, rules and routines).

Expressive Vocabulary- Each week the children will be introduced to two new words.

Apprehensive- fearful, suspicious

Belligerent- forceful, outspoken

Introductions/Review:

Letters: Aa, Bb, Cc, and Dd

Shapes: circle, square, triangle, rectangle

Numbers: 1-10

Author Study: Each week the children will be listening to stories written by the same author. At the end of the week we compare and contrast the different stories we read by the chosen author. This week's author is **Audrey Penn**

Welcome Back! I am looking forward to getting to know your child. This will be the first of many newsletters. Please let me know if you have any questions. I hope your child enjoys their first week of school.

Language Arts:

This week we will be talking about the letters Aa-Dd. We will work on printing these letters as well as learning about their phonetic sounds. We will learn that Aa is a special letter because it is a vowel and makes a long and short sound. We will also be reading many books about beginning school and I be listening to your child read!

Reading our Bold Beginnings Stories and in the next few weeks, we will begin our **Guided Reading Program**. More info will follow.

Math:

We will begin our Math unit with place value. The children will use straws to show the amount of days they have been in school. When we get to ten, we put a rubber band around the straws and move them from the ones bin to the tens. Wait until you see our big celebration on the 100th day of school! We will also do review of numbers 1-10 and learn about sets. The boys and girls will learn that a set is a group of things which belong together.

Science: Does your child know about primary and secondary colors? They will after this week. The boys and girls will discover what happens when you mix colors together. Look for a color mixing project to come home at the end of this week. We will also be learning about weight, and measure things using unifix cubes and rulers.

Social Studies: We will be exploring our classroom and discussing our classroom rules and procedures. **Art:** Audrey Penn The Kissing Hand raccoon craft.

Morning Binder: The children will be making a morning binder which will consist of their sight words, letter and number of the week, monthly calendar and weather charts, and estimation jar tracking.

NOTES TO PARENTS:

- **Welcome back! We are looking forward to a great 2023-24 school year!**
- **Please return your signed emergency information sheets, tuition policies, and any other remaining forms needed to complete your child's file.**
- **Fire Drills on Monday and Tuesday, 8/21 and 8/22.**
- **Preschool/Half Day/Full Day Kindergarten (not daycare) Parents...Please remember the first monthly preschool tuition payment was due on August 1, and the second will be due on September 1.**
- **Please send in a picture of your child for the classroom, if you haven't already done so.**
- **We will be closed on Monday, September 4 for Labor Day.**
- **Have you enrolled for Tuition Express online payments? Many have found this convenient, but we still of course, accept check and cash payments.**
- **Have you enrolled for Remind Messaging? Text the message @homergle to the number 81010**

Happy Birthday Austin!!! 8/19