



Summit School Kindergarten! September 14, 2009

Portfolios

The kindergarten students are already working on an artifact to keep in their portfolio!! Portfolios are a very BIG deal! We are working to complete a *Reflection* of our current understanding of the character traits at our school. The character, or “CREW” traits are: Compassion, Responsibility, Enthusiasm, and Wonder. Discuss what these words mean to you and help your child expand their capacity to be kind to others, take care of important jobs, get excited about learning, and stay ever curious about this vast planet on which we live!!

Thank you

Volunteers

If you are interested in volunteering in kindergarten and have not signed up already, please come in and let me know what days and times work best for you.

Auction Project

Any parent who would like to work with me on organizing this year’s auction project for kindergarten is greatly appreciated! Please call me and let me know when we can get started!!

~ Week One ~

Our first week was a great success!! We worked through the lunch procedures, recess procedures, unpacking and packing our backpacks daily, sang songs, played games, listened to stories, colored, cut, glued, and spent time with our new Big Buddies! I am very pleased with our accomplishments in just two days! I am already seeing some unique and fun character traits of the individual kids; they are very cute! I am a lucky teacher!!

Assessments

Reading and math assessments will start this week. Every child will be individually tested to provide me with the necessary information to best plan for specific needs. I look forward to sharing the results with you at conferences or sooner. I will let you know when the tests are completed and you will be welcome to come in and discuss them with me.

Dress Standard

Students in kindergarten are expected to follow the dress standard. If a child comes to class with a logo on his/her shirt, I *will* trade a Summit Shirt for their shirt for that school day. Be aware that it takes time for me to launder the shirts and time out of class to help your child become prepared for school; it is preferable that children simply show up appropriately dressed. Being a parent myself, I understand the occasional mishap. It is the habitual offender that has too great of an impact on other children’s school day. Thank you for paying attention to this matter. It is much appreciated!

“Mrs. Ellis wants you to know...”

The students in this year’s kindergarten classes are wonderful! I am excited to be working with your kids...I am amazed by them.