



We have had a great first few weeks of school! Your children have settled in so well and with such energy and enthusiasm –they are so much fun to have in class! We have spent lots of time making new friends and getting to know one another, as well as adjusting to being a part of our classroom community. We have been practicing speaking kindly to each other, using friendly hands, walking in a line, listening nicely in circle, taking turns talking, sharing, and cleaning up our room. Wow, that’s a lot! Make sure to check out the Facebook posts for lots of pictures and smiles!

We had fun making the All About Me books and I hope the children enjoy sharing them with you. They certainly enjoyed sharing the special contents of their All About Me Bags with their classmates! Soon, we will start talking about fall and the change of season, and next week will be all about apples. Next Friday, we will taste red, green and yellow apples and graph our favorites. In October, we will do lots of fun things with pumpkins, the color orange, and Halloween. Look for more information to come home later in October about our fall festival and Halloween parade. Planning ahead – we will be doing a Halloween craft using an empty glass jar the week of in 10/14. Each child will need a clean, glass jar of any size – think pickle, spaghetti sauce, salsa, etc. We do not need the lid, but labels need to be removed. I am letting you know now so if you empty up a jar at home, you can go ahead and send it in or save it for us.

We have been doing lots of things in the room to help children start recognizing their names. Many of the children are doing great with this. We started using placemats for snack. The mat has your child's name on it so he or she tries to find it when we sit down. The children also find their own name at their cubby and on the job board. In October, when they arrive in the mornings and check-in, there will no longer be faces with the names. We will be using pumpkins which will only have the names written on them.

I will continue to send home weekly emails with news and reminders, but never hesitate to call or email with questions or concerns.

Thanks for sharing your children with us. It's going to be a great year!

Mrs. Wright and Mrs. Troutner

Upcoming Dates:

September 25<sup>th</sup> - NCN at The Ice Cream Shoppe

October 4<sup>th</sup> - Scholastic Book orders due

October 14<sup>th</sup> - No School

October 23<sup>rd</sup> - Fall Festival on the playground

October 30<sup>th</sup> - Halloween Parade 9:15

