



Star Class News

Week of September 12th

This Week – ABC

Before we start working on a different letter each week, we thought it would be fun to explore all of the letters at once. This week we are going to introduce all of the letters of the alphabet with some of our favorite books like Chicka Chicka Boom Boom and the Mixed up Alphabet. We will be playing lots of alphabet games, compare the letters in our names, and do lots of letter matching.

Last Week

Last week we had fun getting to know the children in the Star Class. We had fun drawing ourselves, learning our favorite colors, and what we like to play and comparing our heights. We are working on many social focuses, like following directions and listening which we will continue throughout the year.

Book Bags

Last week the kids decorated their book bags. We are ready to start sending them home this week. The kids will be able to choose one book to borrow from our classroom library each time they bring their bag **and** previously borrowed book back to school. We will continue borrowing books through May. This is a great way for the kids to work on responsibly; taking care of books and returning books that they borrowed.

Word Wall

Since we are working the ABC's this week, the children can bring in anything and we will figure out what letter it begins with. Please make sure it is labeled before putting it in the Pelican in the hallway. We will have tape and a sharpie by check in if you need it.



Playground Cleanup

Our first playground clean-up is going to be September 24th from 9-10am. This is going to be a chance to spruce up our outside play area, meet other families and get some volunteer time. Mark your calendars.

Elevator Use

Please remember the elevator is only for parents with strollers or families that can not handle the stairs. It is best to take the stairs if you are capable.



Important dates and events

Sept. 22 nd	First trips to Kindred
Sept. 24 th	Fall Playground Clean-up 9:00-10:00
Sept. 26 th -29 th	Class pictures. More information coming soon
Oct. 3 rd	Tuition Due
Oct. 10 th	Tuition grace period ends at noon
Oct. 14 th	Fall Carnival 5:00-7:00
Oct. 19 th	Bizi Farm Field Trip
Oct. 28 th	No School/ Church Event



Bikes

On days that it is not raining we will have the bikes out. If your child wants to ride the bikes or scooters they will need to bring a helmet from home to wear. Please put your child's name on their helmet and put it on the hook with their jackets. If they are in backpacks, they may be forgotten.



Volunteer opportunities

Each family is responsible for 2 hours of volunteer time per child per year. Please check out our binder outside the classroom. This year each child has a time sheet. Please track all time that you volunteer so you can get credit. This includes all school volunteer opportunities, buying items for the school (see list on bulletin board) and classroom help (see sign-ups in the back of the volunteer notebook).

Fundraising

We have several fund raising opportunities through the school year, some such as our carnival or auction, which are one-time events, while others are ongoing. Below you will find a list of ongoing opportunities.

Fred Meyer Rewards: www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards

Box Tops

Scholastic: Our online code you may use to order books throughout the year is: GX4F3

Please contact Teacher Jo if you have any questions. You may text her on our Bloomz site, by email at Joanna@threepaw.com, or by text at 360-771-1833

