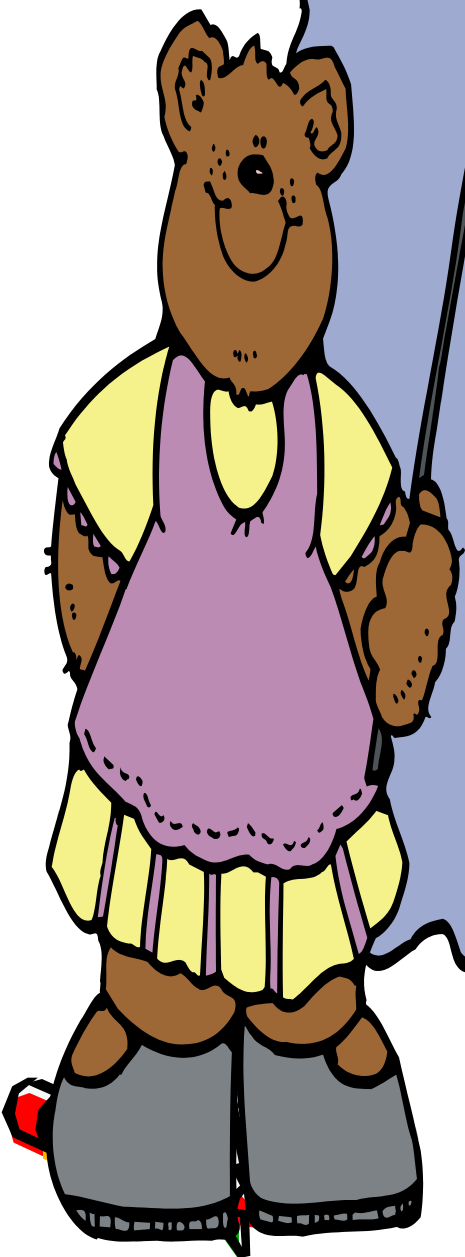
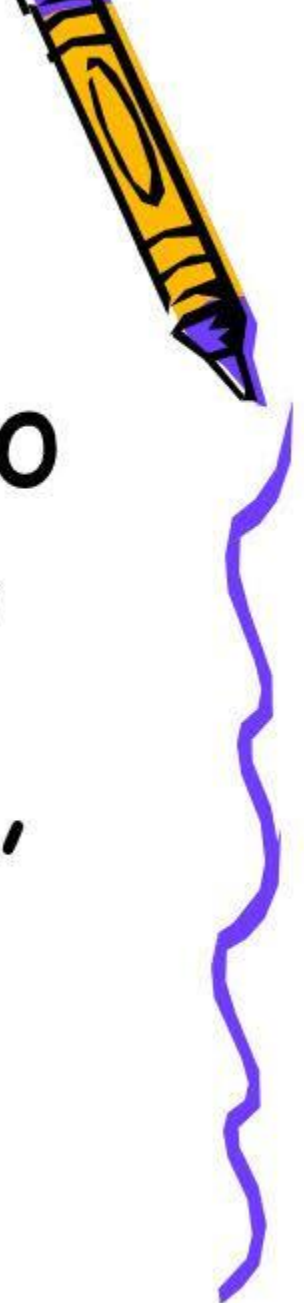
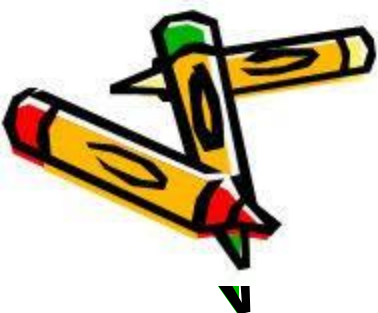


Kindergarten Teachers:

Mrs. Chien and
Mrs. McWhorter

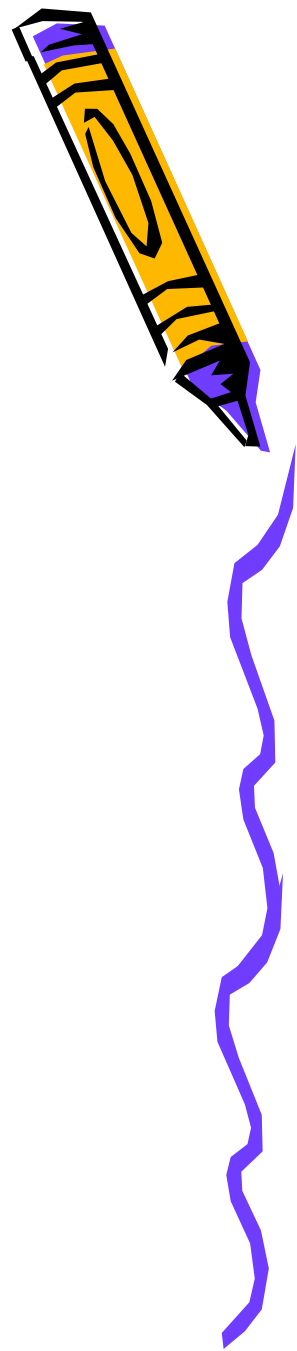


We come to school to
learn, to make new
friends, to be safe,
and to have fun.



Welcome Parents!

- Thank you for watching this informational PowerPoint about our Kindergarten.
- Today- I hope to explain a little bit about our class and inform you of expectations and goals for our classroom.
- If you have further questions, please call or write me a note. ☺





Full Day Kindergarten Curriculum:

Our Kindergarten week includes the following subject areas: Language Arts, Math, Phonics, Religion, Social Studies, Science, Music, Liturgical Music, Art, Spanish and P.E.

Kindergarten Classroom Management, Focus on the Positive!



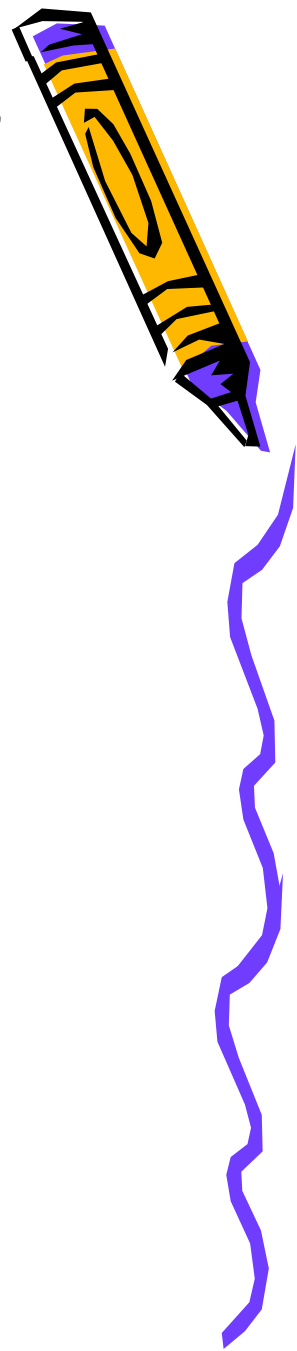
I LOVE
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1. Students are engaged and too busy to make poor behavioral choices
2. Positive reinforcement
3. Conscious Discipline



Conscious Discipline® is specifically designed to teach the following:

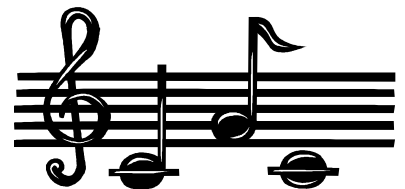
- Anger management
- Helpfulness (pro-social skills)
- Assertiveness
- Impulse Control
- Cooperation
- Empathy
- Problem solving





Curriculum

- Phonics, Reading and Language Arts are the **FOCUS** of kindergarten
- Religion, Math, Science, Social Studies, and Art are **FOUNDATION** subjects
- Spanish, Music, Computers, and PE are weekly **ENCORE** subjects



English/ Language Arts

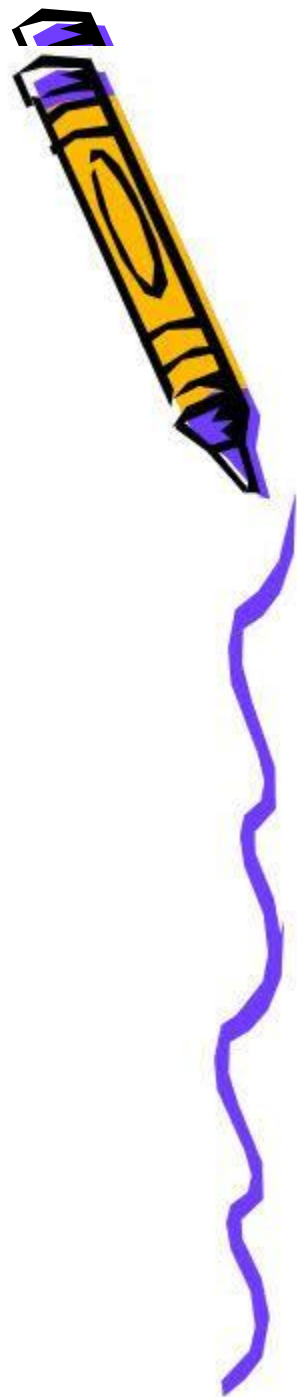
Four Strands

1. Reading
 - Literature
 - Informational
 - Foundational Skills
2. Writing
3. Speaking and Listening
4. Language



Phonological Awareness

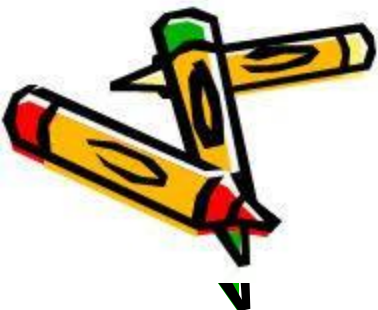
- Recognize and produce rhymes
- Syllable work
- Word work - isolating, deleting, blending, and changing sounds in words



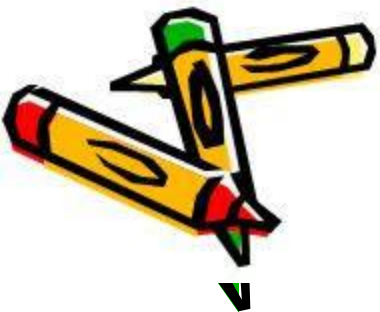
Reading Behaviors



- Print Concepts
- Picking up and repeating a patterned text
- Use picture clues
- Left to right directionality
- One to one correspondence

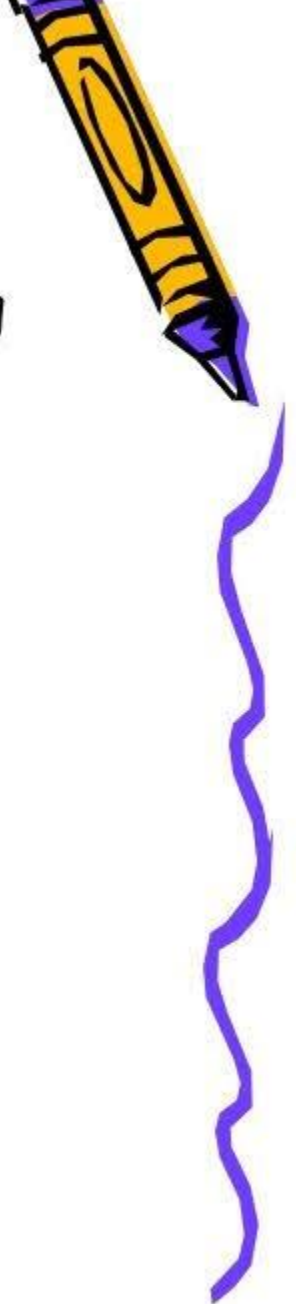
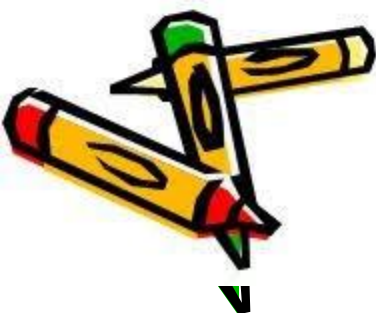


Writing



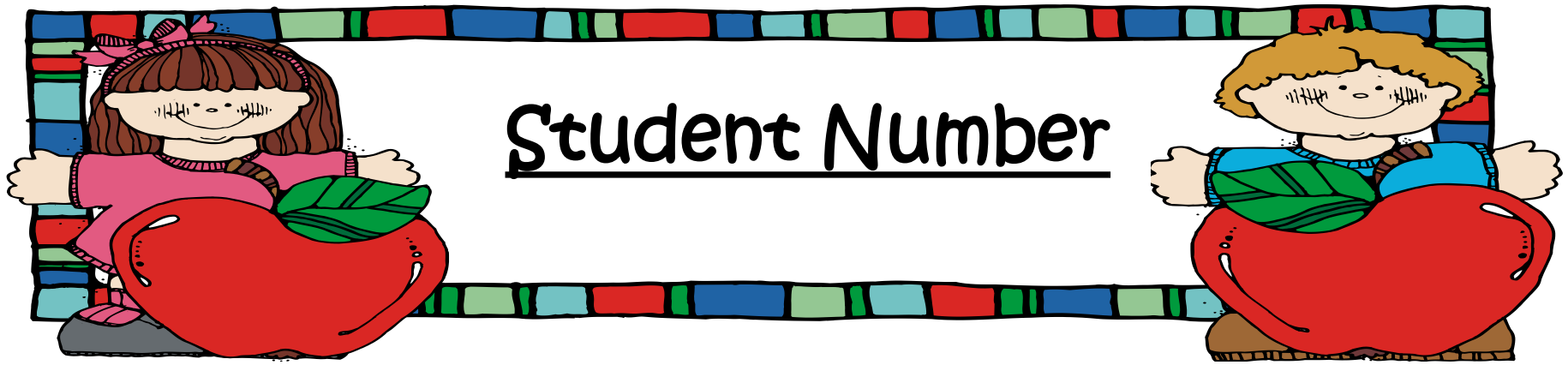
Developing Writing Skills

- Use a combination of drawing and writing to express ideas with supporting details in writing multiple sentences about a topic.
- Provide reactions or reflections on a topic.
- Correctly form upper and lowercase letters.
- Use consistent punctuation and spacing.
- Use capitalization correctly.
- Spell sight words correctly.
- Spell simple words using dominant sounds.
- Write legibly.



Instructional time will focus on these critical areas:

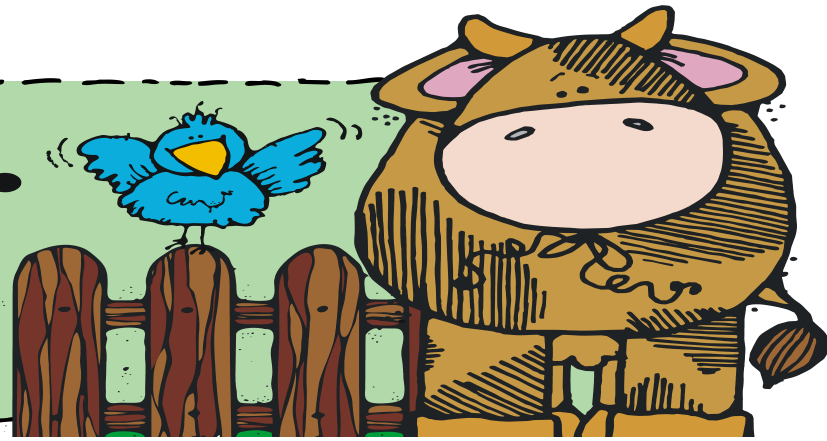
- Understand relationship between numbers and quantity
- Compare groups of objects within 10
- Counting and understanding quantities within groups of 5
- Compose and decompose numbers 11 - 19
- Identifying, composing, and comparing shapes (2D and 3D shapes)
- Fluently add and subtract within 5
- Add and subtract within 10
- Measurement using attribute vocabulary



I assign a number to each student. They are to use their number on all their work, along with their name.

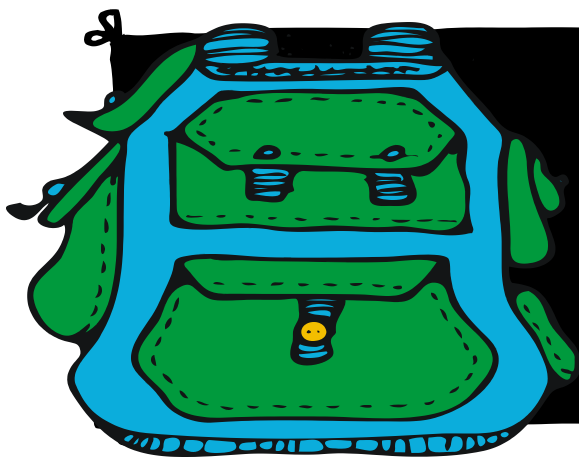
It helps us check for missing work, collect and pass out corrected papers, and enter the grades in the computer.

The latest "MOOs"

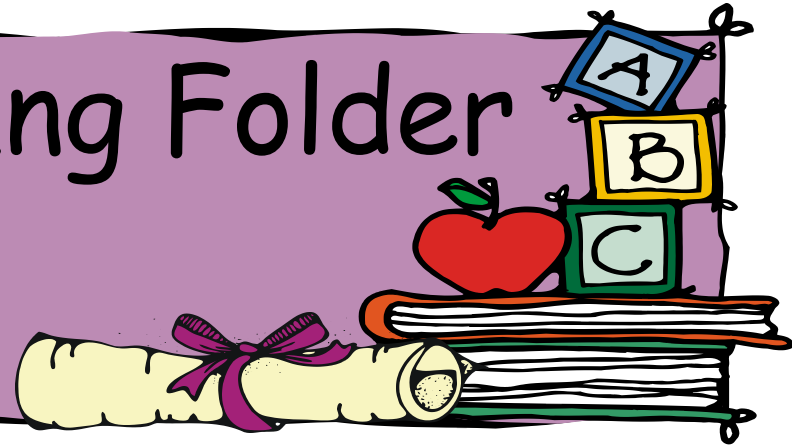


Why is it important to ask my child about their school day, when I can find the information in your Weekly Kinder News?

- This activity could take place over dinner together, where they must learn to take turns while the family talks, and probably listen to everyone else's day.
- This is a great chance for them to see that their day and the things they do at school truly matter and are important.
- This is also a great way to build working memory.
- Without a strong working memory, no student will succeed in the long run.
- It's an easy way to support your child's self-esteem, motivation to work hard, and their developing working memory.



Boomerang Folder



School Work: Please empty your child's "Boomerang" folder **EACH** day. I send all school/classroom news by way of your child in their boomerang folder. These folders will come home daily and are to be sent back each day; like a boomerang! 😊

Please send all notes, money and other important things you want me to find, to school in your child's folder. All money should be placed in a Ziploc bag, clearly labeled with your child's name, what it is to be used for (cookie, pennies for Peru, books, etc.). I will separate those that need to be "returned to school" the next day from those that should be "left at home". All the students' folders have been labeled. Be positive and value the work your child has done at school. Please return the folder (empty) the following day.

Missed Work:

If your child is absent, I will send home any class work/homework that was missed the day he/she returns. I expect these assignments to be completed and returned. While I do not expect them to be returned immediately, I do expect them to be returned in a timely manner.



Snack Time

We will have a 20 minute snackcess (weather depending) **EVERY** morning, **even on early dismissal days**.

- The snack should be healthy; fruit, yogurt (send in spoon), finger sandwiches or something that will be nourishing and help your child make it to lunchtime. Cookies, doughnuts, chips, candies, etc. are **NOT** allowed for snack. Please choose something healthy.
- It is also important that your child eats a good breakfast **at home** before coming to school.



Healthy Food Ideas

- Fruit smoothies (blend berries, bananas, and pineapple)
- Trail/cereal mix (e.g., whole-grain, low sugar cereals mixed with dried fruits, pretzels)
- Hummus with whole grain crackers or pretzels
- Fresh fruit with low fat yogurt dipping sauce
- Baked tortilla chips with salsa or bean dip
- Low-fat pudding, low-fat yogurt, low-fat yogurt parfaits or banana splits (e.g., yogurt and fruit topped with cereal, granola, or crushed graham crackers)
- Angel food cake, plain or topped with fresh fruit
- Pretzels,
- low-fat or air popped popcorn,
- rice cakes
- Whole grain crackers with low-fat cheese cubes or low-fat string cheese
- Vegetable trays with low-fat dip, celery and carrots with peanut butter and raisins
- Dried fruit (e.g., raisins, cranberries, apricots, banana chips),
- 100% fruit snacks
- Fresh fruit assortment (e.g., fruit and cheese kabobs, fruit salad, or fruit with low-fat whipped topping)



Birthdays

Birthday items, inexpensive (\$1-2) unisex item to be WRAPPED without a name and brought to school for the Birthday Box.

SUMMER BIRTHDAYS WILL BE CELEBRATED ON THEIR $\frac{1}{2}$ BIRTHDAY;
every child deserves their own "special" day! 😊

Help our library grow! On your child's birthday you can donate a new book in his/her name. We will place a nameplate inside the book cover stating who donated it and the birthday they are celebrating. During the student's library time, they will present their book to Ms. Rayhel, the school librarian.

To make your child's birthday special, we will give them a birthday crown, sticker, and sing to them, plus they pick a present from the "Birthday Box" on their special day!



Protocol For Concerns and Questions

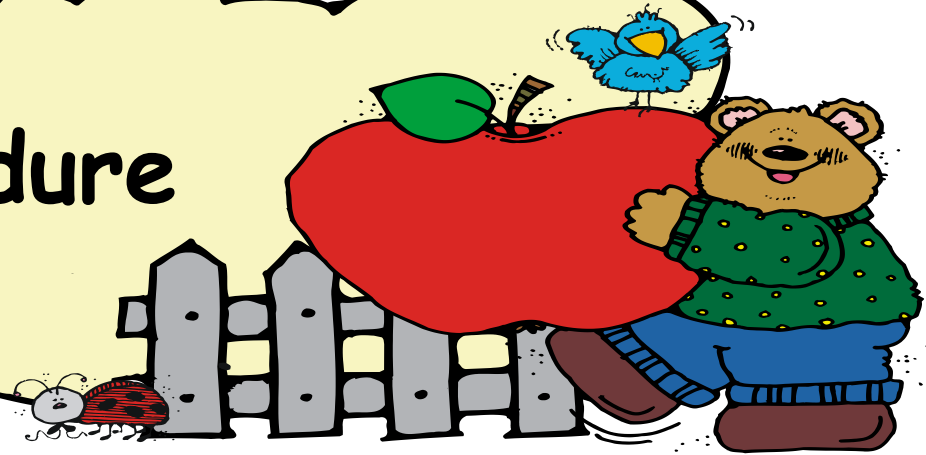
- Please talk to us, Mrs. Chien or Mrs. McWhorter, first. We are here to help.

TEACHER CONTACT INFORMATION

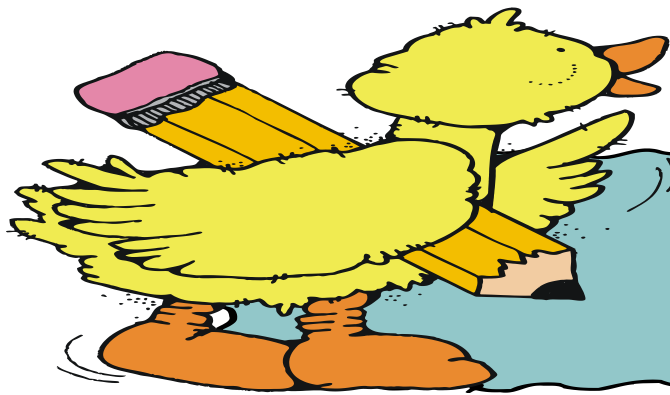
Send us an email: Chienj.sfas@gmail.com or McWhorterv.sfas@gmail.com

- emails sent during the day will get a response after school on the same day, but emails sent after school or in the evening will be responded to the following day.
- Or call the office 703-221-3868
- If the question or concern persists after talking to us, please contact the school principal, Dr. Barber.

Dismissal Procedure



- Students are dismissed after prayers and announcements at 3:05 to either the carpool pick-up "rodeo" or to afterschool care and activities.
- If a child is not picked up, he/she is taken to extended day care and will need to be signed-out from the school staff in the cafeteria.
- If your child is going home with another child or a different adult, please send us a note.
- If you are picking your child-up, you will need to do so **prior** to dismissal. The student must be signed-out **at the office 15 minutes PRIOR** to dismissal.



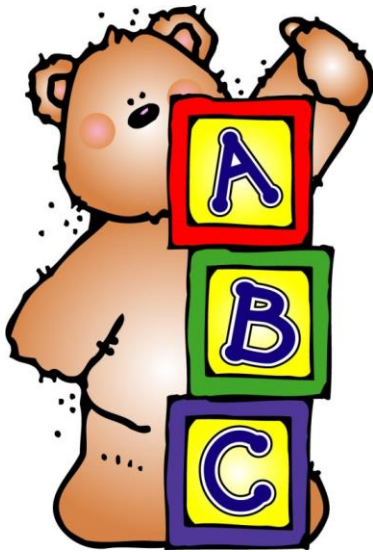
Important Reminder

1. **Attendance:** A successful school experience is the responsibility of the children, the parent, and the school. Your child's progress, both academically and socially, is influenced to a great extent by daily participation. **Regular attendance without tardiness is KEY.**

2. **Absences:** Call the office in the morning (703-221-3868) if your child is going to be absent.

*Please make sure that if your child is absent from school you send in a note on the day of their return indicating the reason for the absence. This is needed for attendance purposes. Thank you.

3. **Tardies:** If students arrive after 8:15 AM they will need to get an admittance slip from the office to enter class.



Tips For A Successful Year

Research shows that children learn best when they:

- Get 10 hours of sleep.
- Eat a healthy breakfast.
- Come to school in a good mood. 😊

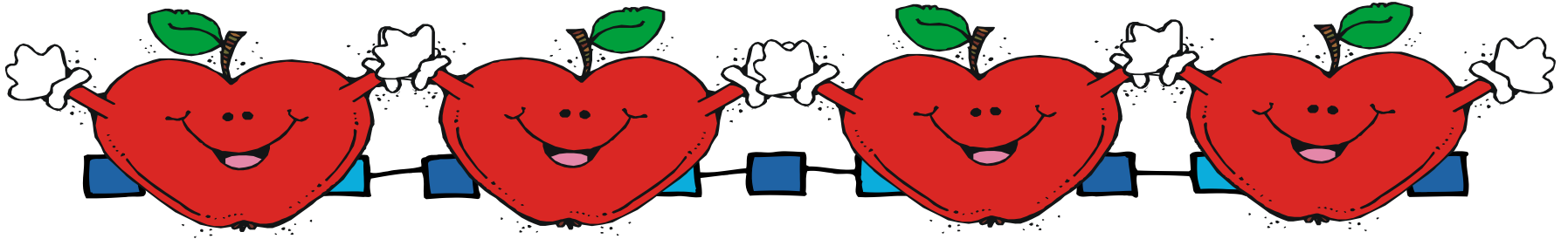


Kindergarten Parent Volunteers Needed, Please

- Home Helper (cutting-out items, ripping-out pages, etc.)
- Scholastic Book Parent



THANKS



Love,
Mrs. Chien and Mrs. McWhorter