

Week of September 5, 2016

Dear Parents,

The VPI team is very excited about the upcoming year and look forward to working with you and your child. Our Home Visits have been such valuable times to build the relationship with families. We appreciate your time to make it happen. We would like to see you again on **Back-to-School-Night, Wednesday, September 14**<sup>TH</sup>, 6:30 pm -8:00 pm. Since school started, the children have spent a lot of time getting to know each other and the rules, learning how to be a preschooler, and most of all adjusting to a new environment. Here are a few highlights to help you know what to expect in the weeks ahead:

## Unit 1 Family

The students explore and talk about families and the many different ways family members relate to and help one another. Besides listening to stories about families, students begin to recognize initial sound in words and identify rhyming words as they build vocabulary and comprehension skills. They are also participating in a variety of music, poetry, mathematics, science, and art activities.



## "It's Time to Go to Bed!"

Teachers notice that a child who had a nice sleep over night is more likely to be ready for school. Students at Campbell should wake up early in the morning for school. If your child stays awake late at night, he/she will have a hard time focusing on school activities. So, you are encouraged to put your child to bed around 8:00 pm.

## **Reminders!**

- \* Please send the **first day packet** to school as soon as possible, if you have not done it.
- \* The **blue folder** will be sent home **every Thursday**. Take all papers out for reading and put only the forms that need your response back in the folder. Your child needs to return the folder Friday or the next day of school.
- \* Students who eat breakfast at school please arrive by **7:45**. Officially, we start school at **8:00** every morning. It is important for the children to begin the morning meeting at the same time all together. If you drop your child to school, please be at school by **7:55**. After 8:00, you are expected to stop by the office to get a tardy slip and give the tardy slip to your teacher.
- \* If your child will be absent, call **Campbell attendance line** at **703-228-8450**.
- \* We **dismiss** the children at **2:35**. When you have a reason to pick up your child early, please stop by the office and talk to the office staff. If someone other than you needs to pick up your child, please **send a note** with your child in the morning.
- \* Please put your child's name on the bag with extra clothes (a shirt, pants, an underwear and socks) when you send them.

## **Important Dates**

- \* Garden Work Day: Saturday, September 17, 9am-12pm
- \* Back to School Night: Wednesday, September 14, 6:30-8:00pm
- \* Welcome Back Picnic: Friday, September 23
- \* Upcoming Field Trip: We plan to have a field trip to the Fry Pan Farm at the end of September. You will give you details when we know them.



Please contact us if you have questions.

**VPI** Team