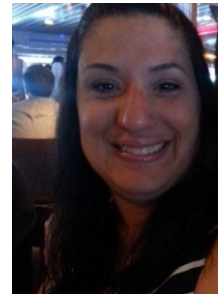


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Director's Corner

Dear Parents,
 Happy September! I want to again say how blessed we feel as our school continues to grow and our children continue to learn! Thanks to all of you who attended our Back to School Night & Grandparents Luncheon! Thank you to everyone for being patient with transitions to new classrooms. We are so happy to have our kindergarteners able to have the Big Club as their Permanent home! They love the Pennington Facility. We do miss our before and afterschool friends but they are very happy with the new building too! Looking forward the weather will be changing. Don't forget warmer clothing & socks with your shoes. We will still be going outside as the weather gets cool. This time of the year is all about transitions, from one class to the next, from summer to school year, and much more. I want to give some tips on how to make transitions easier for you and your child! Remember usually transitions occur and are decided by the adult. Children often begin to act out when their routine is being disrupted without their understanding or knowledge of what is about to happen. Helping children prepare for any transition is a valuable skill to teach. Try this at home, prior to cleaning up toys, bath time, bedtime etc.; Use a timer, musical instrument, or funny noised toy to give children advanced warning of the change about to occur. Allowing the child to be part of the "alert" is helpful too. So allowing your child to bang a pot through the house to let the family know dinner will be in 10 minutes. Perhaps there is a special object that could follow your child to the next transition. Such as a stuffed animal. Visual schedules are very helpful. Small pictures that show what will be happening throughout the day. Taking the child to this visual schedule/chart helps them to understand what is happening next. Transition games or songs help a lot..."Clean up Clean up...", "Brush Brush Brush your teeth...". Allow the children to make up a game, ask a question, "how should we get to the car today?". Giving your child a job, helping be part of the process makes children feel useful.. Many of these tips and tools we already do at school. Ask your teachers what is already working at school, or tell teachers what is working at home. The more our children can predict what will be happening the less likely it is that they will have meltdowns due to transitions. Taking the time to teach what will be happening and

This month's Feature Teacher

This year our Kinder teacher is Calista Tate. She is coming to us with many years of experience. She has been a director of a preschool, taught school, done play classes for Gymboree as well as is a mom to a 7 year old son. Please stop by the new classroom in the Pennington Facility to meet her and our class!



Rattlesnakes

Dear rattlesnakes! Welcome! Starting off the school year has been great with all our new students and our returning students! This month we learned how unique we all are as individuals and shared what our favorite interests are and how wonderful our families are! We also learned many new words that that start with "B,M,P". Stay tuned for all of the fun this coming month; friendship and autumn and apples!
 Just a reminder weather will be changing please bring warmer clothing, labeled and don't forget sheets and blankets each week! Thank you!

Miss Arden, Kayla, and Brit

Letters of the Month: C A B M

Numbers: 26-30

Color of the Month:

Red & Orange

Shape of Month: Crescent

Blue Birds

Our New School year is off to a fantastic start. We are so happy to have so many friends in our class. We welcomed our new friends; Ian, Hunter, and Wyatt. We have also added 2 new teachers to our room; Emily & Kelsey. This month we will be learning about pets, friendships and autumn. Bring a photo of pets! Please ask questions as you have them we love to talk! Miss Christine, Miss Nayeli, Miss Emily, Miss Kelsey & Miss Kacidee

Wolves

We are so excited about all of our new friends in the Wolves Class. This month we have had a lot of success with out potty training friends! We are so proud of them! This month we had a blast with making pictures of our family as well as ourselves. We also loved being able to share our family pictures and all the fun things we do with them to out friends! We have enjoyed the cattle drives that we go on to enhance our gross motor skills as well as the parade around the school visiting our other friends and their classes! We are looking forward to what this year holds for the Wolves Class!
 Miss Mia, Merri, and Courtney

Tumbleweeds

Fall is coming in quickly! September will be filled with ribs, motorcycles, and cooler weather. We will be working on Street Vibration art! Please remember to bring in pictures of our wonderful babies, or email them to the school and we will print them out. We proudly and sadly say goodbye to Angie, Carsen, and Amelia who have graduated to the 1's classroom. The newest members of our class are Bryce, Penny, AJ, Sophia M., and Mia. We will continue to work on sitting, crawling, standing, walking, eating, and talking. Miss Teri, Miss Amberly, Miss Lori, and Miss Vicky



Foxes

Whew! A lot of changes have occurred at our school this year! Friends have graduated to bigger classrooms and our teachers

are so excited to help our friends grow! This school year we will start with the basics of learning our entire names, the alphabet in sequence, shapes, colors, tracing, cutting, handwriting, and many more important skills to prepare us for Kindergarten. We still are wanting pictures of your families and your child as babies. For our new parents we always need a blanket and sheet for nap and extra clothes that are labeled. Thank you in advance for a wonderful school year!

Miss Amber and Carinne



Mustangs

Welcome to our brand new Pre-K class. As we go forward this year, we are all excited about what we will all learn together. Our Mustangs are on a stampede to learn how to be a big kid! We will start with letters and sounds and first names. We want to thank the parents for being so patient with our transitions upstairs. So let's get on our horses and look forward to the new school year!

Miss Carolina, Wendy, and Katherine



Kindergarten

We are having so much fun in Kindergarten. I can hardly believe it is already September! We have enjoyed getting to know each other these past few weeks. This month we will dive into learning letters, sounds, writing numbers, and counting. Also we will need to really study those sight words.
-Miss Tate



September

1	2 Labor Day School Closed	3	4	5	6	7
8 Pets	9	10	11 Let's Remember 9-11-01	12	13 Bring Pic of Pet	14
15 Transportation	16	17 Wear MixMatched Shoes	18	19	20	21
22 Autumn	23	24	25	26	27 Bring in Leaves for a Fall Collage	28
29 Apples	30		Bring in favorite apple to share			