

# classroom news

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Ms. Susan's Pre-K 3

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Dear Parents,

We would like to start our newsletter by saying that the children are all wonderful and our class is really taking shape. In the first few weeks of school we have been learning a lot about each other. Our "All About Me" wall is just about done and will be ready just in time for Open House. It was a lot of fun talking with the children and getting some interesting answers to some of the questions. We shared this information with each other in our circle time.

We have been able to extend our circle time each week. The children have become accustomed to sitting on the rug and staying on their shape, as well as listening and participating in the activities. Our class curriculum is a letter each week, along with reinforcing colors, numbers and shapes. We also incorporate the "Handwriting Without Tears" program. This is a great program that teaches and helps young children with hand strengthening, pencil grip and fine motor skills. All of these skills and concepts are designed on a level of "readiness" for handwriting. Your child will build on these skills as they move on to the next class each year.

To start this month we will begin learning about the letter "A." Each morning at circle time, we will talk about the letter of the week and read a story with a letter topic. During our theme project time we work on an activity centered on the letter of the week. We focus on a letter concept everyday and try to incorporate it throughout the day in all the activities.

We look forward to a great year with all of the children and a wonderful learning experience.

Thank you,

Susan McGilvrey    Stacie Montalbano

## Important Dates

September 4 - Labor Day - No School

September 13 - LifeTouch Individual School Pictures

September 13 - Open House 7:00pm

September 19 - Parents' Club Meeting 7:00pm

September 22 - Speech/Language Screenings (Optional)