



# classroom news

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Dear Parents,

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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 complete and will be ready just in time for Open House. It was a lot of fun speaking with the children and getting interesting answers to some of the questions. We all 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 "Handwriting Without Tears." 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.

In one week 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 work on a letter concept everyday and try to incorporate it throughout the day in all activities.

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

Thank you,

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