

# KINDERGARTEN NEWS FOR SEPTEMBER 2025



Parents,

HERE WE GO! It will certainly be a busy month! We will spend some time getting to know each other better and becoming familiar with our daily routine! I can't wait to get started!

We will begin our **Writing Workshop** right away. Your child's writing will change dramatically this year! They will likely start out "pretend writing" (just like they pretend to be a lion or a firefighter)! Soon they will be labeling pictures with a letter or two. Then they will write words and eventually sentences under their pictures. These will be hard to read at first, but as their word repertoire and phonemic awareness develop, their writing will gradually become more conventional! Meanwhile I will closely monitor your child's progress! This is my job; yours is to simply admire whatever your child brings home, to make him/her feel like the best author you've ever read, even though they are still learning to spell and don't quite have it right yet! ☺ Above all, show an interest in the content of whatever your child "writes". This encouragement is invaluable!

We will also start our **"Daily 5"** immediately. Every afternoon we will rotate through 5 stations. Included are *word work*, *read to self*, *listen to a story* (followed by a *comprehension activity*), *ABC Mouse* (computer), and *work on writing*. For awhile the "work on writing" component will involve actual penmanship practice. This is intense work, so we all cheer for our friends when they complete a packet! Be sure and show your support when these packets come home as well! ☺

We will begin our **"I Can Read" Clipboards** later in the month. When your child brings home a red clipboard with reading materials attached, it's **READING TIME!** It may be a poem, song or nursery rhyme. It could also be a word, word list or even a little book. Whatever it is, ask your child to read it to you! There will be more information attached to the clipboard.

We will also be creating the first of many **Class Books** this month. These are books we will work on together and practice reading. Your child may want to take a turn bringing these home to read to you as well.



Our first **"Rainbow Words"** will be showing up very soon! These are high frequency words that will be introduced gradually starting with the purple words and working our way all the way up the rainbow to red. Your child may want to bring a set of words home to practice at some point, but there is NO PRESSURE to learn them by a given time. Every child learns at his/her own pace and will progress toward a **personal goal**. Only if the entire class is ready, will I implement a class goal to learn all of a set of words. We will also begin work on **phonemic awareness and phonics** (which starts with letters and sounds *for those who need more practice*). I also make use of a program that is very exciting called "Secret Stories"! Look for more information on that a little later!

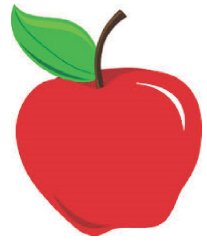
On Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays we will work our way through the children's Bible entitled "The Story". This curriculum covers age appropriate stories and concepts in chronological order starting with creation and ending just after Easter. After that we will begin the "Believe Series". This curriculum takes a second look at some of the stories and applies them to our lives! On Wednesdays we will enjoy Chapel Time with our preschool friends. Pastor Harry will start us out with an informal chat, sharing messages such as "God made us all different", and we will sing along to our favorite worship song videos. Fridays we will learn about the fruits of the spirit, one for each month.

**PLEASE BRING:** A **baby photo** of your child and a **family photo** as soon as possible. Please indicate if you want them returned and I will make a copy and give you back the original right away!



Thank you so much for entrusting me with your child's education this year! It is an absolute honor and a privilege to be able to work with them!

# September Units of Study



**Social Studies** - Names, Friends, Family, All About Me...from babyhood to big kid!

**Science** - Intro to Science Journal, Apples, Mr. Tree, What a Scientist Does,  
(ask question, predict, observe, record data, conclusion—with our ball unit!)

**Writing Workshop** - "My Pictures Tell a Story"

**Math** - Numbers, Counting, Attributes

**Literacy:** Sound Song, Letters & Sign language, Color Words, Rainbow Words, Mother Goose Rhymes, Shared reading/"I Can Read Clipboards".

**Art/Artist Study** - Self Portraits, Cezanne' & Matisse (apple still life).

**Bible/Fruit of the Spirit** - LOVE ♡

## Reminders & More:

\* Please have an extra set of clothes in your child's backpack or cubby every day. Accidents happen and even a small spill can be uncomfortable.

\* If you have any questions about ANYTHING, please don't hesitate to ask! And if you just want to chat about how your child is doing (or anything else!), just give me a call anytime after 2:30! (Being with them is my favorite, talking about them and their progress is my second favorite!) ☺