

September 11, 2014

Hi Fish Parents!

The children are enjoying their first weeks of school! They are learning the routine, sharing with their friends and having fun! They love listening to books written by Eric Litwin and James Dean; the enjoyable *Pete the Cat* series.

Here is a map of our day in the afternoon  
Fish classroom:

Circle Time  
Playground  
Snack  
Discovery Time/Studio  
Music



Some of our goals for the next couple of weeks are to:

- Get to know each other better
- One-to-one correspondence (the foundation of both math and reading)
- Independence skills (opening snack, zipping backpack closed)
- Find the "spark" that will help the class to decide on a project

Reminders:

- Please encourage your child to go to the bathroom before school
- Please pack a small snack because our break is only 10 minutes
- I will be emailing or calling you the week of September 22<sup>nd</sup> for a beginning of the year check-in

Attached to this newsletter is the children's first "assignment."

We are off to a great year! Please feel free to speak with one of us if you have any concerns about your child!

Sharon Marck and Jen Marck

Dear Fish Parent,

We are asking for your help with a fun assignment. Please help your child choose a photo of your family to bring to school. The photo can include...Mom, Dad, grandparents, siblings, aunts, uncles, cousins or pets. We would like a photo that your child selects of a fun family activity. We will display these photos in the classroom along with your child's explanation of the event.

We hope that this will encourage interaction among the children and it will give them experience sharing with a group. It is also a great way we partner between school and home. Please send in the photo by Tuesday, September 16<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you!

The Fish Teachers