

# Welcome to Kindergarten



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### Kindergarten Teaching Philosophy

Tell me-----I forget Show me-----I remember Involve me-----I understand

# 1. <u>Classroom Rules and Discipline</u>

- A. Be a good listener.
- B. Walking in the classroom and hallways.
- C. Keep hands and feet to yourself.
- D. Use soft voices.
- E. Be helpful and kind.
- F. Keep our places neat.

Students will be expected to follow the rules. They will receive one warning. If the behavior continues their clothespin will move from Ready to Learn to Slow Down and miss 5 minutes of recess. If the behavior continues their clothespin will be moved from Slow Down to Think About it and miss 10 minutes of recess. If this behavior continues their clothespin will move from Think About It to Parent Contact and miss the entire recess. Parents will also be called and informed of the behavior. Students can move their clothespins up with extraordinarily good behavior to Good Choices or Outstanding. Any students with clothespins on Ready to Learn or above at the end of the day will earn a marble for the marble jar. When the marble jar is full the class will get a special reward.

Communication between home and school is vital for your child's education. Notes and completed work will be sent home in your child's Take Home Folder. This is also the best place to send notes back to the teacher. **Please check the folder daily**. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to send a note or call.

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Conferences are held 1 time during the year for Kindergarten. This is also an important time to communicate concerns and learn of your child's progress.

3. <u>Special Events</u>

#### Birthdays:

Everyone will celebrate their birthday during the school year. If your child has a summer birthday, we will choose a day to celebrate. If you do not wish your child's birthday to be celebrated, please let me know.

#### Classroom Parties

1. Halloween—Our Halloween Party will be held on October 31st . We dress in costumes sometime after lunch and parade downtown to the Logan Nursing Home and Assisted Living.

2. Christmas Party—Our Christmas Party is held on the last day of school before Christmas vacation.

3. Valentine's Day—Our Valentine's Party is held on Feb. 14 or the last Friday, if it falls on a weekend.

4. End of the Year Party-This will be the last day of school after Playday activities.

If you do not wish to have your child included in these parties, please let us know. Please let the teacher know if you would like to help with a party.

# 4. "All About Me"

During the year each student will have a turn to complete the "All About Me" poster. It will be sent home for you to complete with your child. Please send it back so the student can share it with classmates.

# 5. Kindergarten Curriculum:

The Kindergarten curriculum consists of math, reading, science, social studies, music, P.E., art and Spanish. The curriculum will be supported by the Kansas Common Core Standards, Vocabulary, Strategies, Resources Assessments, and pacing.

**6.** Share Time- Your child may share one time per week. There is a scheduled day for them to share. I want to emphasize that if they forget their share that they wait until the following week. This will help them learn responsibility.

7. Snacks – Please check the snack calendar. Remember that each day we will need 14 snack portions. Please refer to the wellness and healthy snack policy for ideas.

#### 8. Book Orders

I will be sending Scholastic book orders home during the year. Please return book orders by the date noted on the back of the order. Please make your checks out to Scholastic. You may send cash if you like. Or you may order online. I will send a code for that. That will start in September.

Code: L7RZF

#### 9. Reading Logs

In order for children to become readers it is important that they be read to. Research shows children who become good readers had parents or someone that read books to them. I would like for them to have a list of 20 books read to them per month. This can be mom or dad, brother or sister, grandparents, neighbors, etc. At the end of the month students who have read 20 books will be rewarded. From October through March they will receive a book it certificate for reading. We will start in October.

#### IO. Book It!

We are going to "Read Your Heart Out" this year with Book It. Book It will start in October and finish in March.

# II. School Website

www.Logan326.net