

Dear Parents,

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as your child's teacher for the 2021 – 2022 school year! I am happy to welcome each of you to the start of what I know will be a fantastic year for all of us, and I look forward to working closely with you and your child.

To support your child and ensure they have a successful school year, it is important to have contact with one another on a regular basis. Providing important information about your child, such as preferred activities or interests, will help me create a reinforcing and motivating atmosphere for their learning. If there are certain items or activities that have successfully motivated your child in the past, please let me know so that I can continue using them. In addition, it would also be helpful to share any emotional and/or behavioral needs that you feel might present challenges in the classroom. Having this information will help me create a positive, welcoming, and effective learning environment for everyone. I have attached an optional questionnaire that you can complete and send in with your child on the first day of school.

There are a few important updates I would like to make you all aware of. Though we are a class of both kindergarten and first grade students, **please note that we will NOT follow the kindergarten transition for the first week of school.** Our schedule for the first week of school will be as follows:

Thursday September 9th - Early Dismissal (11:40 am)

Friday September 10th - FULL DAY

The week of **September 13th** will also be **full days**, with the exception of **Thursday September 16th, as schools will be closed to observe Yom Kippur.**

*Please also note that there will be no lunch on Thursday September 9th, as it is a half day for all students. Please send your child with a snack on Thursday and both a snack and lunch each day beginning on Friday September 10th.

Finally, I have provided a list of classroom supplies that your child will need this year. Please send these items in with your child on the first day of school.

If you have any questions or concerns prior to the start of the school year, please feel free to email me at tarita@eufsdk12.org. I hope you enjoy the rest of your summer and look forward to meeting you all soon!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Arita

In addition to the items on the Kindergarten supply list, please send in the following items with your child on the first day of school.

- 1 bag for snack (paper or Ziploc bags work)
- 2 sturdy, pocket folders (labeled with your child's name)
- 1 notebook (composition or spiral) for communication
- 2 bottles of Elmer's liquid glue
- 2 boxes of tissues
- 2 containers of antibacterial, multi-surface wipes
- 2 packages of baby wipes or hand wipes
- 2 sets of extra clothing (including undergarments) labeled and placed in a Ziploc bag
- \$20.00 in a sealed and labeled envelope for additional classroom supplies needed throughout the school year. This includes restocking of student supplies, prizes for our class treasure chest, and items needed for holiday parties.

Please be sure to label all of your child's personal items (backpack, lunch box, clothing, etc.) so that we can unpack and organize all supplies accordingly.

Thank you 😊



Beginning of the Year Parent Questionnaire

Please complete the following and return to school with your child.

Student Name _____

Names of the people and pets in our home are... (adults, siblings, pets)

My child's favorite TV shows or movies are...

My child's favorite foods, snacks, and drinks are...

Foods that my child DOES NOT like are...

My child's favorite thing to play or do is...

My child's favorite toys are...

Things that trigger negative, unwanted behaviors in my child are...

Things that calm down and make my child happy are...

Objects that stimulate senses within my child are... (specify lights, sound, etc.)

Goals that I have for my child this year are...

Things I love most about my child...

PLEASE NOTE ANY KNOWN ALLERGIES:
