**Thank you for sharing your children with us!** They did <u>fantastic</u> their first week in the 4's program. Mrs. Favro and I enjoyed getting to know them a little better this week. They quickly adjusted to our structure. You all deserve a round of applause for the



wonderful children you have. Many of the children have made new friends. You can go onto our Class DoJo to see them. All the children in our class have colored a paper version of themselves and answered questions about themself. The teachers took their picture and attached it to their paper doll bodies. It is so cute and amusing to see them as a paper doll. The students did a great job coloring and answering questions.

Speaking of our DoJo. We will share pictures occasionally but, not necessarily every class. The Dojo is like most social media. You can view, like and comment. Only our class can see our Dojo. I hope you enjoy sharing in our day. Also, it is a great way to start conversation with your child about what they did at school. We do not post every day. Unfortunately, there is just not enough time in our day.

This week, we will continue discussing "About Me" and "Friendship". One thing special to each child is their name. The children will be asked to find their name on the coat rack tag upon entering the room each day. They are doing very well with it. Now that they are big kids it is the perfect time to expand that knowledge and to start learning the letters in their name. I suggest hanging their name in their bedroom and everyday pointing to the letters to spell it out. Maybe let them decorate their name. Once they master their first name you could change it to their last name. It is also a great way to start the process of learning the ABC's. By making it relevant to them they tend to show more interest.

You may notice on this week's projects that come home that the children will be gluing on their names. We will be practicing identifying the letters in their name as they glue them to their project. We will not yet begin tracing their name. We will practice other fine motor skills first. Coloring, tracing pictures, completing mazes, lacing, etc. are some great things to encourage fine motor skills. This may sound crazy but if your child is struggling to properly hold a crayon in a pincher/tripod grip then crack the crayon in half or use a golf pencil. This is not good for the crayon but it has a great benefit for your child.

Rush Nursery School will continue to provide snack and drink for this week and next. Please check your email at the end of the week for our October Helper/Snack schedule. The children get very excited to be our helper for the day and to provide us with one of their favorite treats.

Last week I sent home flyers for the Scholastic Book Club. There is no pressure. Just a way to encourage spending time reading to your child. It's a great time to snuggle and has a huge impact on their development. We offer monthly orders through Scholastic. A great best practice is to read to your child every day.

Well, I hope that all of you have a good weekend.

As always, please never hesitate to contact me about anything.

Karen Hart

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2-RNS Stroll 11AM

10-Monday Columbus Day Observed

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