



# Peek of the Week

## August, 2024

Dear UPK 4 Parents,

It was wonderful to see many of you at Parent Orientation! This is your first **Peek of the Week** to let you know what will be happening in our class this week. If I have not received your child's paperwork, **PLEASE send it in on Tuesday**. I was asked if you needed to fill out paperwork that you may have already filled out last year. "Yes" is the answer. We would like all information updated yearly. Thank you. It is greatly appreciated.

When you arrive at school, please unbuckle your child and have them walk over to me. I would greatly appreciate it if you could introduce your child to me. We will be wearing name tags for a couple of days, so you will notice those being passed out each morning by our aides, Ms. Stevens and Mrs. Dunton.

Please remember to send in a peanut free lunch (in a lunch box), a water bottle (easy open), and a Nap Mat in your RNS blue tote bag. All items SHOULD BE LABELED WITH FIRST AND LAST NAMES. We also plan on going outside, so please dress accordingly.

This week will be filled with activities, games and projects that allow the children to get to know each other, the teachers, procedures and our schedule. We will be reading the book, [The Kissing Hand](#) and painting our own kissing hand.

For birthday crowns this year, the children decorate their own! Each child is asked what color birthday crown they would like. In class this week, we will decorate them. We will also make a printed/decorated name tag. The students have a lot of fun decorating the projects and it gives them a sense of pride when wearing them and showing them to their peers.

We will also be concentrating on having the children realize how awesome and special they are. We will be using different activities in class to enhance this such as: special books, songs, graphs, projects and games. We really want the boys and girls to have a strong sense of self and understand just how unique and terrific they really are! We want them to love and accept themselves and understand that they are only in control of themselves. This may sound "over their heads" but we feel that in order for children to

be successful in school, they need to have positive self-esteem. Pre-k is the perfect please to get this positive self-image and academic base built and solidified.

Please have a safe and wonderful holiday weekend. We are very excited to see some familiar faces and to get to know each and every one of our students this week. Thank you for sharing your child with us. We cannot wait to see what this year brings!

Please never hesitate to contact me about anything. We are teammates in educating your child. Communication is key. I always laugh and say that I will believe about 90% of what your child tells me and I hope that you will believe about 90% about what you hear about me/school. Remember, you are hearing a four-year old's perspective. If something doesn't sound right, please contact me right away.

Take Care,

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