

Kindergarten News for June 2017

We are quickly approaching the end of our year. We have been assessing progress and I am pleased to report that all are heading to first grade! Please keep your child's skills fresh over the summer by reading daily. Writing meaningful sentences like notes to friends or grandparents, shopping lists and stories about events in the family, and keeping a journal in our marble notebook will help with writing skills. Try to use daily events to practice Math skill, for example: If ten people will come to our barbecue and each one wants two hotdogs, how many should we buy? If they come in packs of eight, how many packages will we need? Use markers or draw dots to help figure it out. Talk about the strategy that you use. This is fun for kids.

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We sent you an invitation for graduation, which will be on Wed. June 14th. Please wear red, white and blue. Mrs. McElroy pointed out that it is Flag Day. Have children in our room by 5:30 please. We need to get "hatted up" and in line so we can promptly march out at 5:45. We will have some little snacks, but many families make dinner plans following the program which will be no more than one hour including snacks. I need to eat by 7 PM!! Note: if the weather is nice we will be outside in the courtyard. Bring your soccer chairs, and children can sit on blankets. We will have some chairs set up, too, but yours are probably bigger. In case of rain, please limit guests to immediate family only (including special nannies...Olga, Lindsay, Fern and Ally)

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Our yearbooks should be in next week. Please send a twenty dollar bill in a labeled envelope to pay for the book. I hope you will enjoy the photos of our class in action. Each child has a featured page. (I keep finding photos that I wish I had found earlier, so we will display some at graduation, too.) Please note: this is our class effort...not a school project, so do not send checks to Beechwood School please)

We are brainstorming together to set up some special days, so be on the lookout for a note to come home after our class meeting. They are thinking! We will be walking to Ryan's house on Maple Avenue for a picnic lunch on Thursday June 15 (Friday rain date)...that is already planned.

Karen and I are happy that you have trusted us with your children this year and hope they start "the big school" with a great foundation for further learning. They are great personalities; all unique. In the words of one classmate when asked what was the best part of the year, "It was great to be with all these amazing people!" We hope to keep in touch in the future.