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Dear Families,

I'd like to take this opportunity to introduce myself and to say hello! My name is Richelle Fishler, and I will be your child's kindergarten teacher this year. I hope this letter finds you well, rested and relaxed, and enjoying your summer as much as possible. I enjoyed my summer, and I'm now getting ready for (and getting very excited about) the beginning of the 2023 - 2024 school year!

I am looking forward to spending a productive year with your child filled with memorable challenges and discoveries. Together, your child and I will grow and learn as we spend a stimulating and rewarding year together.

Research shows that success in school is maximized and enhanced when teachers and parents work together. I firmly believe that your child will receive the best education possible if we will work together as a team. I will be communicating with you frequently over the course of the school year keeping you informed about your child's progress in kindergarten. With your support at home, my effectiveness as your child's teacher will be greatly increased.

I hope that you will also communicate with me. Please don't hesitate to contact me at any time at the above address, email address, or phone number with any comments, questions, or concerns you may have.

I am very interested in getting to know your child. I would love to meet a child whom I feel I already know on the first day of school instead of just greeting a name on a class list. Would you please take a moment to write to me describing your child? Let me know of your child's special strengths and interests, needs and hopes. What makes your child unique? I am particularly interested in your child as a learner. How is your child feeling about kindergarten? Any other information that you feel will be relevant to me would be greatly appreciated, such as information about your cultural background or other languages your child might speak, etc. Thank you so much for your cooperation.

I am looking forward to meeting you and your child at our **Kindergarten Meet & Greet** on **Wednesday**, **August 30th** at **11:30 AM** in our **Parkville Classroom**, **Room 24**. Please bring your child's school supplies and other items on the supply lists to Meet & Greet so that everything will be ready for the **first day of school**, **Tuesday**, **September 5th** (which will be a full day of school.) If you ordered supplies for your child through the PTO, they will already be in the classroom, and you will have to bring only the additional items requested. I know that we will all have a terrific year together!

Fondly, Richelle Adler Fishler August, 2023

Dear Kindergartner and Family,



Hello! Welcome to Kindergarten and Parkville Early Childhood Center! My name is Mrs. Fishler. I will be your kindergarten teacher! I am very much looking forward to sharing a wonderful year with you! Together, we will make new friends. We will also read, write, play math games, and learn many wonderful things about each other and the world around us. I hope you are feeling as excited as I am about starting school in September!

I hope you are enjoying your summer and doing many exciting things. I am really looking forward to hearing about them when we get to school in September. I have been spending a lot of time with my three children, Jacob, Aaron, and Hannah, and doing some reading. I hope that you were also able to find some time to look at books over the summer. We will be doing a lot of reading in kindergarten.

You will need a few things on the first day of school so that you are well prepared for kindergarten. Although most supplies will be given to you in school, there is a suggested Kindergarten Supply List at the bottom of this letter and on Parkville's Website: https://www.greatneck.k12.ny.us/PV. Please look at the list very carefully, and try to bring all of the items to school either at the Meet & Greet on Wednesday, August 30th at 11:30 AM, or on the first day of school.

These few additional items would be very helpful as well:

- a labeled refillable water bottle.
- a "beach" towel to sit on when we play,
- a container of PlayDo, any color
- and, please bring \$8.00 for a subscription to Scholastic News magazines,
 - a children's educational publication (please make checks payable to Scholastic, Inc.)

In addition, a *donation* of the following items would be greatly appreciated: a pump bottle of **liquid soap** or extra packets of **baby wipes**.

*Please label all of your supplies and clothing with your first and last name.

Enjoy the rest of your summer! I cannot wait to meet you!

Love,

Mrs. Fishler 😀



Welcome to Kindergarten! 2023-2024

The following are suggested supplies you may wish to bring with you to school in September:

{If purchasing school supplies places a hardship on your family, supplies will be provided.}

*Welcome Letters and Teacher-specific Supply Lists with some additional requested items can be found linked to each teacher's name on the Parkville Website: https://www.greatneck.k12.ny.us/PV.

- 1 <u>standard-sized</u> elementary **backpack** (no wheels please)
- 1 hard **plastic pencil box** to store supplies in school (suggested size, 8" x 5", no larger than 9" x 6")
- 1 adult-sized t-shirt to use as a smock for art
- 1 change of clothes (including underwear & socks) in a labeled Ziploc bag ~
 please label each clothing item
- 1 box of thick <u>and</u> 1 box of thin Crayola washable markers (not scented please, 10 count)
- 1 box of long Crayola colored pencils, sharpened <u>and</u> 1 box of Crayola crayons (24 count)
- 1 multi-pack each of small and large glue sticks and 1 bottle of Elmer's school glue
- 1 5" safety scissor, blunt (Fiskars brand, if possible)
- 1 box of pre-sharpened #2 **pencils** with erasers (12 count, *Ticonderoga* if possible)
- 1 double pack of large pink erasers
- 6-12 low-odor, <u>thin</u>, black dry erase markers (*Expo* brand, if possible)
- 8 black **felt-tipped pens** (*Paper Mate Flair*, if possible)
- 2 **plastic** (not plastic coated) **folders** with inside bottom pockets
- 2 plastic pocket folders with 3-hole fasteners inside, one blue and one red
- 1 **Primary Journal Creative Story Tablet (**Mead brand, K-2, picture space on top/primary lines below, if possible)
- 1 on/over the ear adjustable band headphones (no earbuds, please; remove from packaging and label and place in a labeled Ziploc bag)
- 1 box of tissues and 1 package of baby wipes

In addition, a <u>donation</u> of any of the following items would be greatly appreciated: a box of snack size, sandwich or quart size, or 1 or 2 gallon *Ziploc baggies*; a roll of paper towels; a box of plastic spoons or forks; a box of clear sheet protectors; white paper plates, any size, non-coated, please (*Chinet* brand, if possible)

We wish you a wonderful rest of the summer! We look forward to meeting you soon!



Love.

Parkville's Kindergarten Teachers

^{*}If ordering online, you will be prompted to add the headphones, a required item, at checkout.