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Dear Parents

We are starting an exciting new school year with a lot of great projects going on in every classroom. Our mission is for all of our students to have academic skills, creative problem solving skills, and social skills to prepare them for their future. The new curriculum allows our students to build problem solving skills, and to become risk takers. It also allows our students to engage in challenging, thought- provoking learning and to apply learning to new situations.

Since we have a change in the curriculum, this also changes the way we look at the type of homework our students should be completing at home. Worksheets will no longer be the basic form of homework, instead it will be based in application of learning.

Homework should reflect the type of activities that are going on within the school day. With this in mind, we would like to explain the type of homework your student will be getting each month. You will receive a Homework Newsletter each month explaining what was covered in class the month before. The Newsletter will give you activities that you should do with your child that month. The activities in the Homework Newsletter give your child a chance to apply their new learning skills to real life situations or practice their skills. These activities will need to be recorded on the Reading and Math Log your child will receive each month. The last school day of the month, your child will need to return his /her logs back to his /her teacher.

We are looking forward to challenging your child to his/her full potential. If you have any questions, please contact your classroom teacher.

Sincerely,

Dr. Peggy Pastor  
Principal

