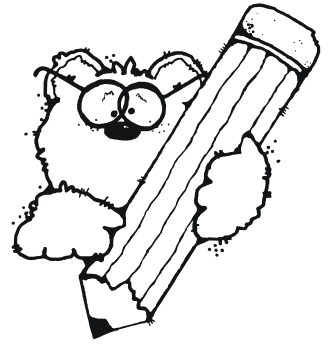


Kindergarten's Top 10 List



1. **Friday Newsletters**

Each Friday, families will receive a weekly newsletter that contains information about the academic content and events which took place throughout the week. Families are encouraged to read the newsletter to become familiar with the topics and events taking place each week.

2. **Monthly Newsletters**

Each month, a grade level newsletter will be posted on the Bethesda Elementary Website under the kindergarten classroom section. A hard copy of the newsletter will be placed in the Friday lion's folder. Topics and content will vary throughout the year.

3. **Snack Money**

Each family will be asked to donate \$5 at the beginning of the year and during the midpoint of the school year. Money will go towards purchasing food for daily morning snack time.

4. **Volunteers**

Each month, families will receive a volunteer calendar. Specific volunteering activities, dates, and times will be posted on the calendar. Volunteers are taken on a first come first serve basis. Families are asked to indicate their first, second, and third choices on the volunteer calendar and return the calendar to their teacher. Volunteer confirmation slips will be returned to families indicating the activity, date, and time of their volunteering experience.

5. **Transportation Changes**

All changes in transportation should be written down and submitted to the teacher via the take home folder.

6. **After School Activities**

Children attending a weekly after school activity should bring a note stating that they are attending the after school activity in their take home folder each time they go to their class.

7. **Celebrating Birthdays**

All birthdays will be celebrated during lunch (11:30-12:00). Families will be asked to send in store bought items. Families can come to help hand out treats during lunch to the class. If this is not possible, lunch aides will help with handing out treats. Candles, goodie bags, etc... are not permitted.

8. **Labeling Items**

Please label your child's backpack, lunch box, and jackets. School supplies do not need to be labeled except for folders.

9. **Homework**

From October through December, children will receive a weekly reading log with optional activities to complete. During this time, all children are encouraged to read for ten minutes and complete the optional activities if they desire. Formal homework begins in January and a weekly homework calendar will state the activities to be completed.

10. **YOU**

Please remember you are your child's first and most important teacher. If you have any questions or concerns throughout the year, please contact your child's teacher.

We look forward to working with you and your child

Thank you!

The Bethesda Elementary Kindergarten Team