



CURRICULUM CHRONICLE-OCTOBER PRE-K

Dear Families,

During the next few weeks, children will learn all about their new school and making new friends. We will focus on cooperation and getting along with others as the class is introduced to the routines and expectations of school. Here are a few special ways you can reinforce at home what children will be learning.

- Establish routines that will help your child to be attentive in school, such as getting plenty of sleep, eating a healthy breakfast, and being ready on time.
- Ask the names of your child's teachers and classmates.
- Talk about the school schedule and sequence of activities during the school day.
- Practice safety rules to use when going to school and returning home every day.

Most of all, promote cooperation at home every day, which will help your child make a smooth and positive transition to school.

OCTOBER THEME: MY FAMILY

October Knowledge Focus: Children learn about family members, family roles, and unique qualities of families.

October Social-Emotional Focus: Kindness

Who's in My Family

<u>Week 1</u>

Big Idea: I am an important part of my family.

Concepts: Family members, family size, family relationships, generations within a family.

Theme Vocabulary: brother, family, father, grandmother, grandfather, kindness, mother, sister

<u>Family Fun</u> <u>Week 3</u>

Big Idea: I share special times with my family. **Concepts:** Family activities,

celebrations, traditions **Theme Vocabulary:** celebrate, holiday, relatives, thankful, together

We Take Care of Each Other

Week 2

Big Idea: I love my family and they love me.

Concepts: Caring and kindness, family roles and responsibilities, interdependence, feelings

Theme Vocabulary: caring, cousins, feelings, love

<u>All Kinds of Families</u> <u>Week 4</u>

Big Idea: Every family is unique. **Concepts:** Similarities and differences of people, respect and tolerance, family structures

Theme Vocabulary: alike, different, respect, similar, special, tradition