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Welcome to Krietown!! I hope your child is excited about returning to school. As we ease into school, here are some notes to help you become familiar with school/my procedures.

Start-Up

As part of our start up, we are working on classroom procedures, routines, and classroom rules. I am also taking the time these first weeks to assess each child individually in reading and basic math skills. Some of the work we are doing right now is review work. This will help me informally assess what skills your child has mastered already.

Curriculum Night

I am looking forward to meeting with you on Curriculum Night, which is scheduled for September 19th from 6:00-7:30 PM. During this time, I will discuss in detail the first grade outcomes, classroom procedures, curriculum topics and expectations. Please plan on attending.

Arrival/Dismissal

The morning bell will ring at 8:47 AM. After 9:00 AM, your child is considered tardy. Dismissal will be at 3:50 PM. The children should enter each day from the outside classroom door. They will be dismissed from this same door. To insure your child's safety, please let me know **in writing** if you change your plans for how your child will get home. Please do not give me this information verbally.

Office Procedures/Attendance

If your child will be absent for **any** reason, please remember to call the school office by 9:30 AM (734/994-1807), including vacations.

If your child will be late to school, please remind him/her to stop in the office to sign in before coming to the classroom, using the inside door. The office will call home if there is no record of your child signing in after attendance has been taken.

If your child needs to be picked up before the school day ends, please stop by the office so that your child can be sent to the office for proper sign out. This school policy insures your child's safety.

Snack Time

The first two weeks of school we are asking for ONLY fruits and veggies. The children will have time each morning and afternoon for a small snack. I would appreciate your help with this. It would be most helpful if you could send in snack materials for 22 Krule kids monthly. I have access to a refrigerator so snacks like apple sauce, sliced fruit, carrot sticks, etc. are appropriate. However, if you want to provide your child's snacks each day, I have no objection. In the past I have also had parents send in Kroger and Meijer cards which I then use to purchase snacks I know the class likes. I am happy with either way you can contribute.

Lunch Payments

If your child is purchasing lunch at school, please send in your payment promptly. The Ann Arbor School District is unable to allow children to charge lunches. Lunch time is from 11:30 to 12:18.

Scholastic Book Orders

Scholastic asks **me** to pay for book orders when a check is returned for NSF. Scholastic does not give out the names on the checks returned for NSF. If you choose to write a check, please be aware of this fact. I will always accept cash. You can also place orders online. A link is provided to you from my website kriletown.com I have enclosed our first order forms. If you choose to order through me, please send in your order by Sept. 19th.

Stars of the Week/Special Kid

Each student over the course of the school year will be our Star of the Week. The Star of the Week folder will be sent home with one student each week. The directions ask that a paper be filled out over the weekend and returned by the next Friday and hung on our star board. Another way for us to get to know one another is through our Kruletown Kiddo Books. A folder will come home with a piece of scrapbook paper and directions. Please help your child put together a fun page with pictures of your family and interests. We will add your family page to our notebook for all of us to enjoy over the course of the year.

Treasure Box

I enjoy rewarding students at this age for positive behavior and attitude, such as being kind to others, sharing, completing assignments, showing respect for others, being a good listener, etc. Each student has a Sticker Book in which to place the stickers they earn in class. Once your child earns ten stickers he/she will make a trip to the treasure box! The treasure box has colorful pencils, small toys, erasers, stickers, glue sticks, etc. I will welcome any donations you might like to make to the Treasure Box.

Vacations

If your family chooses to take a vacation when school is in session, I will, upon request, gather all worksheets we have completed and send them home when your child returns. Please don't feel the need to return all assignments the next day. Unfortunately, a lot of assignments are verbal and completed as a group and cannot be replicated to do at home. I will not provide work for a family to take along as it is hard to predict lessons two and three weeks out.

I am so excited to get to know you and your child this year. We are going to have a fantastic year in Kriletown!

Here is to GREAT fun!

Kristi Krile

