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Shining Stars Academy Newsletter

Director's Desk

Welcome to Shining Stars Academy. We hope you all had an enjoyable summer. It's that time again, to start school! We are looking forward to another exciting year at Shining Stars Academy. Our staff would like to welcome all the new and returning families, and we will be happy to assist you in any way we can. Fall marks the start of a new school year and frequently that means a new school/preschool or teacher for children. Starting at a new school/preschool can be difficult; children have to adjust to new teachers as well as a new environment. Children will experience a variety of emotions. It is vital that parents and caregivers emphasize the importance of helping children feel comfortable, accepted and welcomed to the changes the new school year brings.

Staff News

We are pleased to welcome Ms. Maria to our Nursery I classroom, Ms. Katheryn to our Lower Pre-K classroom, Ms. Sherena to our Upper Pre-K classroom and Ms. Cristy to our Transitional Kindergarten room! We are excited to have them join the Shining Stars Family! We would also like to say a BIG Thank You to Ms. Bernadette, Ms. Carolyn, Ms. Doris, Ms. Lauren and Ms. Luli who have all been with us for a year!

We would like to congratulate Tatyana for completing the Johnson & Wales University Healthy Futures: Starting in the Kitchen Summer Camp!

Nursery I

Day by day our classroom is getting bigger! Our "babies" are learning new things every day. It won't be long before we have a few more walkers! We want to welcome, Akira, Axel, & Jared to Nursery I. We hope the weather starts to cool off a little bit so we can spend more time outside. We are enjoying having Ms. Luli back in the classroom!

Nursery II

Get ready, get set...GO! This month we are off, running as we explore the theme from "Home to School." Our goal is to help your child to feel safe & happy at school. We hope to achieve this goal by exposing your child to new people, materials and experiences in our school setting. We will be talking about leaves changing colors, and cooler weather as fall approaches. We are going to have a great month!

We want to welcome Kaylen, Christopher, Zoe, Kevin, and Giovanni into our classroom!! We are so glad they are here.

Lower Pre- K

We are very excited to have Ms. Katheryn working with our Lower Pre-K classroom! She is just in time to start September off with a bang! We will be focusing on "Home to School." Lower Pre-K will be talking about ways that home and school are alike and ways they are different! We are ready to have fun making new art projects and learning new things. We have a lot of activities in store for the kids! We are going to be working a great deal on the alphabet and learning our colors! Parents help us work with our class on using helping hands as well as our words at home. This is the age when children really begin talking! Welcome to our classroom, Mason, Brandon & Paite.

Upper Pre- K

We had a great summer and we are ready to start the new school year! We will be focusing on 3 different themes, "Welcome to school," "Making New Friends," and "All about Family!" We will be doing a number of arts and craft projects such as, a friendship chain, and drawing family portraits. Each month we will be learning new Spanish words, and continue working on our numbers and colors! Please don't forget "Show N Tell" is on Thursdays! We plan on having tons of fun in September. Welcome Jayla, Zander, Ciara, Wildt & Nelson to our class!

Color of the Month: Red
Shape of the Month: Circle

Transitional Kindergarten

Get ready to work hard! We are going to have a great year! We would like to welcome our new students to our classroom, as well as our new teacher, Ms. Cristy! We are ready to start our new curriculum and begin a brand new year! We are excited to learn new things, and do a number of new projects! We are very confident this is going to be a great year of learning! We will work on mastering our colors, letters and numbers. We encourage parents to practice with your children at home, so they can continue to grow and learn! Please let Ms. Cristy know if you have any concerns regarding your child. September is going to fly by with all the work and projects we have in store for the children. Make sure to check your child's folder daily! Welcome Ana, Bryan, Patrick & Joel to our class, we are glad to have!

Birthdays

Zimri Evan	September 12 th
Bryan Posada	September 21 st
Arrielle Boyd	September 25 th

September's Highlights

We recognize all our members who are observing special days in September including:

Labor Day: Day of Remembrance (USA)
Hispanic Heritage Month
Oktoberfest (Germany)
Shubun no hi (Japan)
Rosh Hashanah (Jewish)
Navratri (Hindu)
Ramadan (Muslim)
San Geronimo (Aboriginal)

Tuition News!

* Parents, pay your tuition on time (on Fridays) and your name will be added into a hat for a drawing for 50% off 1 week's tuition! We will hold a drawing once a month!

* As a reminder registration fees are annually. Many of our parents/children are reaching a year at Shining Stars Academy and registration fees are due again!

* Due to some parents paying extremely late, payments are due by 6:00pm on Monday, otherwise a **\$10 late fee will be added for each additional day** that payments are not made!

Upcoming Events

Workshop & Parent's Night Out!

October 8, 2008 4:30pm – 6:30pm Parent workshop, "Parent Role, Brain Development, the Wordless Book" hosted by Traveling Family & Teacher Resource Center. After the workshop from 6:30pm-8:30pm, parents can enjoy a night out. Look for more information closer to the date!!

Trike-A-Thon

Students will be participating in St. Jude's Trike-A-Thon during the week of October 20 – 24 to help raise money for children with cancer. We will keep you up to date on the details closer to the date.

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