

We've had another great week in kindergarten so I have no doubts that this will be a wonderful year. All the children seem comfortable with their new friends and teachers and our daily routines. How quickly they have adjusted!

For our "We Are Special" theme this week a few things we have done are: read "Quick As A Cricket" and drew pictures of an animal representing us (I'm as nice as a bunny, for example), painted self portraits (We love our new kindergarten friends), traced our bodies with sidewalk chalk, and made an All About Me picture with our height and weight. Today we decorated papers with our names (the first gift our parents gave us) and made "Happy Face Toasties" for snack.

The Bible verse we are learning is Psalm 150:6, "Let everything that breathes praise the Lord" (with signing). We pray as an entire school every morning and afternoon and also close our day with a circle prayer in our room with every child saying a prayer. It's a very special time.

Our basic schedule is:

8:25- 8:45	Settling in, handwriting
8:45- 9:00	Morning meeting, school prayer
9:00- 9:15	Religion
9:15-10:15	Reading
10:15-10:30	Recess
10:30-11:10	Social Studies or Science
11:10-11:45	Lunch
11:45-12:15	Success Lab (computers)
12:15-12:45	Story time, quiet time, sharing person
12:45- 1:20	Math
1:20- 1:40	Snack
1:40- 2:15	Specials (Mon- Music, Tues/Thurs- PE, Wed-Art, Fri- Enrichment)
2:15- 2:30	Recess
2:30- 3:10	Centers
3:10- 3:30	Prayer, getting ready to head home, music (Mon- early out at 2:30)

We are excited about our upcoming field trip to the Discovery Center. I hope several of you will be able to go with us that day. Please sign the permission slip and return it next week so I can make plans.

I hope you're working on your "treasure boxes." Please have them to school by Monday September 14. Thanks!

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