

Sharing Time

Dear Parents,

In Kindergarten we will be encouraging the children to share their thoughts and experiences. We have found that traditional Show-and-Tell, if left unstructured, can escalate very quickly into a time-consuming “Drag and Brag.” In order for Show-and-Tell to be an integrated and meaningful part of the Kindergarten program, we have incorporated the following strategies.

1. **Morning Share**- At morning meeting the children can choose to tell their “news”, example- what they did over the weekend, in a few sentences.

2. **V.I.P.**- Each child will have a special day when he or she will be able to share a special booklet about himself or herself and bring in some favorite things from home. A letter will be coming home at a later date with more information on this exciting assignment.

3. **Surprise Box**- Your child will bring home a special box and select an item from home to go in the box. Then he or she will share three clues about the item, and the class will try to guess the item based on the clues.

Please note that we do not allow toys unless related to the above activities. Many toys tend to distract rather than enhance our ability to learn together.

We have found the above strategies to be both enjoyable and productive. If you have any questions please let us know.

Sincerely,

The Kindergarten Team

