



Beginning the Year Study



Dear Families,

Welcome to the 2019 school year at Alphabets Preschool Center. Our first unit of study in the Creative Curriculum is the "Beginning the Year" study.

This study is uniquely designed to introduce the children to the classroom areas, our classroom routines, making new friends, and how to attend small and large group lessons. The study also provides stories and discussions about the strong feelings children have when coming to school, such as missing home or feeling nervous. The children will be able to work through these normal feelings in a loving and caring environment while learning how to calm their bodies so they can enjoy the school day experience and make new friends. The children will be empowered by the ability to make choices what areas to visit and the opportunities to have classroom jobs such as being the book collector, line leader, or classroom problem solver as well. After the children master the room rules and the routine, the children will be able to focus on the other study themes without worrying about the basic classroom layout.

The children will learn the essential four classroom rules which we call the "listening rules." The classroom rules are that they should have their eyes watching, ears listening, voices quiet and their bodies calm. When the children understand how to calm their bodies, they can focus their attention on read aloud time, writing, art, and even socializing with friends during choice time. During this study, our children also discuss their families and their own unique qualities, and in return they understand and can relate to their classmates. The children are off to a wonderful start on their first year of school and the road to kindergarten readiness! Thank you!

Sincerely,
Miss Laura and Miss Pat
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