

Dear Parents,

As this is orientation week I thought I'd just type a quick note to touch base. Starting next week we will be sending a classroom news letter on Thursdays. You may also find our classroom news letter and the school *Connections* on the school web page at www.myhvca.org You will find these on the left side of your child's folder along with anything that I am sending to you.

Homework: In their folder your child will find a paper bag he/she is to find the objects listed and return to school tomorrow.

This week we have been getting acquainted with each other, the school, and expectations. We are starting the year with colors, shapes, letters and numbers. Each week's news letter will keep you posted on what we are focusing and working on. Our news letter will also inform you on up coming field trips, class mission projects, classroom celebrations and needs. Tuesday I sent the Kindergarten Brochure with the year's monthly themes, with possible field trips and mission projects. Please remember to sign the folder form to let me know that you have reviewed your child's work and any information on the left side of the folder that I have sent home to you. When your child returns the form promptly Friday morning he/she will receive a sticker.

If you have not yet done so, please send in an extra set of clothes to be kept here at school. These clothes need not be uniform, but do need to be school and weather appropriate. We have a slide that tends to hold a lot of water after the rain.

Helping your child develop a love for reading is one of the best educational gifts you can you're your child, helping to set them up for academic success. Scholastic offers a great inexpensive way to build your home library. You get to choose which books are right for your family. Scholastic has books that go with our themes, books that help with rhyme, beginning sounds, sight words, counting, staying safe, and building life skills; there are also games and activities like this month's Tie Your Shoes, and Fall pattern Cards.

Scholastic Book Club forms come once a month; occasionally special offer forms will come later in the month also, these will also be available online at www.scholastic.com/parentordering Class user name:hvacakinderclass, password: MyFriends , with credit card payment. This month's order forms and payment, cash or check made payable to Scholastic, by Friday the 29th. *Highlights Magazine* sends free magazines and stickers to our classroom just for sending forms home to you, additionally they send us free educational supplies when we return the forms to them. There is no obligation to purchase but the form needs to be signed. Through both of these programs we are able to acquire free educational materials for our classroom which supplement your child's learning.

This Friday will be the first PIZZA DAY! (And every Friday there after). If you would like you may purchase hot lunch for your child the cost will be: per slice \$1.75, full lunch includes 1 slice of pizza, fruit cup and juice for \$3.50, or \$4.50 for full lunch with 2 slices.

Wednesdays are cheese fry day. Cheese fries are sold for \$2.00.

Daily we have fruit cups, cereal bars, Chex Mix, popcorn, peanut butter crackers, Gold Fish crackers and water to sell in our classroom. Other classrooms sell other beverages and snacks also. Prices range from \$.25 - \$1.00.

I can be reached at school 215-947-6595 ext. 115, my number is 2215-896-5636 or e-mail at HVCA_MRS_SMITH@yahoo.com. I am in staff worship between 7:50 and 8:10. I reserve the time between 8:45 & 3:00 for your child. I do try to check my e-mail throughout the day. Of course you can leave a phone message anytime.