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Dear Parents of Brown and Purple Door:

It's the first week back to school! We're very excited and look forward to this new school year. It will be a great one!

My name is Mrs. Ana, and I'll be your child's teacher in Brown Door. I have been a VPK teacher for over twenty-five years. I have an AA degree in Elementary Education and a certificate in Early Childhood. Most importantly, I love teaching and working with children which is my passion. I have been married and a mom of two wonderful and handsome boys, Alexander and Leonardo.

My name is Mrs. Marta Bernal, I will be your child's teacher in Purple Door. I have my CDA and I have been working at Kids for Kids Academy for fourteen years.

During the first week of school, our students have been transitioning and getting adjusted to their new classroom. At the beginning of the week; I introduced myself and had each student introduce themselves to each other. They have been doing so well with learning our classroom rules. We also went over the class jobs and gave everyone a chore. Every morning we recite our Pledge of Allegiance and the Star Spangled Banner, we greet each other, point at the alphabet while singing ABC's, count up to 30, and do the calendar!

For our art activity, the students did a full body "self portrait" using white construction paper and their crayons, markers, and pencils. Body parts and facial features were discussed and encouraged in their drawings. They also drew a picture of their face, recognizing their features such as hair color, eye color, eyelashes, eyebrows, and lips.

For our journal activity, we traced our hands and feet so that when we're older we can always look back and see how small our hands and feet were when we were in VPK.

Academic Enrichment-

- We've used Play-Doh and shaving cream this week to shape and form the first letter of their name.

- We traced the letters of our names with our glue sticks, afterward we added colorful sequins to decorate it.

In the afternoon, we had the children name different parts of their bodies, we used cardboard bricks in our block area which our students used to measure each other, for example, the students would say, "Noah is 4 bricks tall!" This allowed our students to practice with sizes and numbers.

Stories we've read together: "If I Had a Dragon", "I Like Myself", "Love Is a Family", "Quinito, Day and Night", & "The Spooky Tree".

REMINDERS:

Please remember to sign your child in and out through Brightwheel every day to ensure your child is checked in and all are accounted for!

Don't forget to check Life Cubby and see all of the fun and educational activities your child has participated in!

Wear the school uniform every day.

Girls wear their hair tied up.

The school will be closed on Labor Day September 5.

Activities to do with your child:

Sing the ABC song. Have your child practice writing their name. Count to 30. For Story Time, Watch Pete the Cat- I Love My White Shoes on YouTube. Ask your child to find something of each color in your house.

Quote of the week:

"It is the supreme art of the teacher to awaken joy in creative expression and knowledge."

-Albert Einstein

Have a nice and safe weekend:

Mrs. Ana

Mrs. Marta