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Hello, Parents of Silver Door Students,

Welcome, September! We have so many amazing things happening this month. First off, the school will be closed for Labor Day 9/5. Our school calendar says Tuesday 9/6 is a teacher planning day but that is an error. School will resume as normal for us. On 9/8 we will have an in-school field trip with the Jungle Bus!

We also want to wish David from Silver Door 1 a happy 5th birthday!

This week in language arts and reading we continued the second week of start smart. Our essential question was "Who is in your family?" We discussed how all families are different and all the things we can do with our families. Some of the sentences we wrote were "My family and I can _____. We can play _____." Our sight word of the week is can. We also reviewed the word I. The stories we read in our unit book were 'Family Fun' and 'Fun Together.' The letters we learned about are I-R. Students helped name words that start with that letter and how to properly write each letter. Next week is our final week of the start smart unit.

In math, we continued with Chapter 1. We learned how to count and write the number five. We used two-sided colored counters to show five in more than one way. For example, four red counters and one white counter make 5. We also counted and ordered the numbers 1-5 using counting cubes and showing sets that are larger. Finally, we identified the number zero and used the strategy to make a model when we cannot find the answer to something. On Friday we did a hands-on activity where we roll a dice and colored the number that matches the dots on the dice. We also worked on matching the number word to the correct number.

This week we finished Unit 1 of our Social Studies book. The vocabulary word we learned was primary source. A primary source is something that is made during a certain time by someone who was there. For example, a note written by a family member or photographs are primary sources. We discussed how our families and things around us have changed over time. Photographs were in black and white in the past while now in the present they are digital. Toys for children in the past were pinwheels, yoyos, and wooden airplanes. The toys that children play with are iPad, video games, and remote-control toys. Finally, we made a timeline of their lives. We drew how we looked in the past, what we look like in the present, and what we think we will look like in the future.

We hope you enjoy your long weekend! See you on Tuesday!

Ms. Adriana and Mrs. Nisha