



With young children, coming back to a full day, the first week can be challenging for them. For many, it is a new adventure and overwhelms their little minds and bodies.

As the year is coming to a close and we begin to prepare for the 2024-25 school year, the teachers, aides, and I have been discussing what the first week will look like for your Preschooler, Pre-Kindergartener, and Kindergartener. We would like to introduce a **“soft start”** to the first week of school.

Tuesday, August 27th through Friday, August 30th, school will start at the usual 8:20 time for Kindergarten or 8:30 time for Preschool and Pre-Kindergarten. It will end at 11:30 for all PS, PK and K students. There will be no after school enrichment for PS and PK and no extended care for Kindergarten offered this first week for the young students.

However, Mrs. Balmer would like to have five Kindergarten students remain each day until 3:00 p.m. to spend quality time with them and complete assessments for a better picture of their current abilities. Kindergarten parents: please email [mbalmer@sncsgh.org](mailto:mbalmer@sncsgh.org) if you have a T/W/Th/F preference for your child to stay until 3 p.m. this first week. We will do our best to work with your schedule.

Following the Labor Day weekend, school will resume for your child at the regularly scheduled time to include Enrichment and Extended Care.

