

SEPTEMBER 1ST

Dear Families,

Welcome to a new school year! We are so excited to begin another journey. Over the next four weeks we have two simple goals:

- 1) Get to know your children and their likes and dislikes.
- 2) Have fun together!

Over these four weeks we will daily and continually teach your children the expectations and procedures of the Blossom class and introduce the skills they will utilize throughout their year. We will do this through games, stories, and activities.

### Here's what to expect each day in the first four weeks:

- An art technique/process/or material will be explored
- Your child will begin to learn yoga poses and practices
- Lots of outdoor play and 'free play'
- High-quality, engaging and content-rich books

After this first month of becoming acquainted with each other and our new classroom environment, we will enter our first study. Each month we will begin a new study. Past Blossom studies we have enjoyed include topics such as, trees, the human body, fairy tales, and buildings, among others. Once we have an understanding of the new Blossom's interests we will decide on our first unit of study.

Your child will always be learning something new. Some days it will come home in their hands. Some days it will come home in their head. Some days it will come home in their hearts.

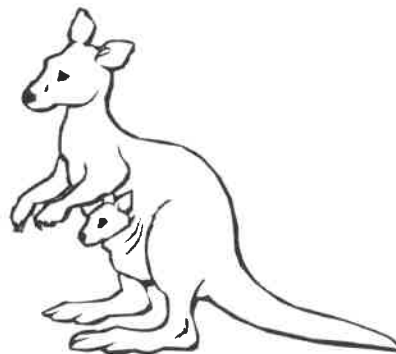
### Tips for Day 1 in the Blossom Room:

- Arrive early if you'd like to take photos
- Arrive before breakfast for a smooth transition and give your child the opportunity to experience all we have planned for them with their peers (breakfast is served promptly at 8:15)
- Per our Growing Tree policy – **NO OUTSIDE TOYS OR FOOD WILL BE ALLOWED.** This is for the comfort, health and safety of all our children. Any of these items brought will be politely bagged up and waiting for you at the end of the day.
- For nap time we ask that all families send their children with a blanket, pillow and **one** stuffy.

Smile! And take a deep breath! Your children take their emotional cues from you – if you are anxious, they will sense this and could begin to feel nervous about transitioning as well. Give the message, "This is a safe and fun place for you! I will miss you while I'm away. I promise to come back when I'm done with my day!" Please let us know if you have any questions concerning the coming year. We look forward to seeing you and your Blossom!

We are so grateful to you for sharing your creative, kind, curious, clever, capable, caring children with us this year.

We wish you well,  
Emily, Tim, Joey, Kindaroo, and Coyote



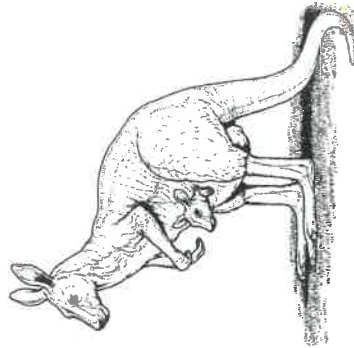
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## Welcome Blossoms!

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 SCHOOL CLOSED Labor Day	4 Meet Kinderoo and Joey!	5 Kinderoo's Special Gifts	6 Be Helpful!	7 Be Helpful!
10 Be Careful!	11 Be Careful!	12 Be Patient!	13 Be Patient!	14 Fun Friday!
17 Be Responsible!	18 Be Responsible!	19 Be Respectful!	20 Be Respectful!	21 Life Skills Bracelet
24 Life Skills Wands	25 Life Skills Rock Jar	26 Life Skills Sticks	27 Life Skills Stones	28 Be Helpful... ...to our Earth!
This month our priority is to better understand your child, their interests, likes and dislikes, and to have lots, and lots of fun! Throughout this month we will review our schedule and expectations daily, and play and participate in lots of collaborative community building games and activities!				

**Reminders:**

- Sept. 3rd - No School



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