

First week of school: we ask that kindergartners please **bring a bag lunch with a drink** so that they do not need to go through the lunch line the first week of school. After the first week, students can eat the hot lunch or bring own lunch.

Back to School 2013

Dear Parents and Families,

It's very exciting to start a new school year here at Pepper School with your children.

The following are a few suggestions that you might want to consider:

1. Put names on all materials brought to school.
2. Put names on any clothing that your child might take off and misplace.
3. Make sure your child is well-rested, has a good breakfast, and goes to the bathroom before school.
4. It would be most helpful if your child had a **labeled back pack** for notes, projects, and other school-related materials which go to/from school and home. We will provide a colored BEE (**B**ring **E**verything **E**veryday) folder to go back and forth from school to home. **Be sure to check the bag and this BEE folder EACH DAY.** This folder will include the Kindergarten Handbook, important notes, homework, calendars, permission slips, etc. **Be sure to check it and return it each day.**

We do provide some basic supplies (e.g. crayons, pencils, paper, etc.). It would be helpful to have pencils, box of crayons, paper, child-safe scissors and glue sticks to use at home for homework and practice work. If you have *extra colored pencils, glue sticks, dry-erase markers, or twistable crayons*, etc. and are able to send in for classroom use-thanks in advance! In addition to the **labeled back pack**, the following is a suggested supply list for the year to send to school as soon as possible. These would be greatly appreciated.

1. **(1) Box for classroom use;**
2. **(2) Bottles of Hand Sanitizer for classroom use (refill or dispenser);**
3. **Container of Wet Ones or disposable wipes for classroom use;**
4. **Clean, white, blank T-shirt to fit your child all year or \$2.00 for teacher to purchase;**
5. **Empty shoe box with lid to decorate & send home for take-home/stay at home books.**
6. **(8) Elmer's glue stick, washable, purple, dries clear .21oz**
7. **(2) Dry erase markers or 1 package of Dry Erase Markers.**
8. **Mrs. Duschinsky-Gallon size zip-lock bags box Ms Ivey-Sandwich size zip-lock bags box**

Each day, students may bring in a **snack for themselves or for the entire class**. If you are able to send in nutritious snack food for the class when you have extra at home, we'd appreciate it (e.g. fruits, raisins, crackers, cheese, popcorn, vegetables, pretzels etc.). Please select items that do not have "crumbs" and can be eaten in the few minutes we have for snack.

We could also use the help of anyone who might have some time available to assist in the classroom. Adult volunteers are a valuable resource. If you are interested please let us know.

At the beginning of each week the Homework Calendar including assignments will go home in the **Bring Everything Everyday BEE** folder to return the following Monday. Also every Friday we will send home our Kindergarten Newsletter describing that week's classroom activities, information or requests for future lessons, assigned homework and other school-related information.

We are looking forward to meeting and working with all of you.

Sincerely,

*Mrs. Sandi Duschinsky & Ms Marie Ivey*