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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome our new friends, siblings and rising Kindergartners into our environment. This is going to be an exciting year as we all settle in, make new friends, share our experiences and help each other learn. Our responsible Kindergartners will be ready to be good role models for these new children, and are excited to share their knowledge with them.

My name is Priti Aery (pronounced Preetee Airy). I was born in New Delhi, India and have been in the States for the past 35 years and in Charlotte for 30 years. My husband and I are blessed with a 33 year old daughter, a grandson and a 29 year old son. I have been teaching for the past 30 years and have been lucky to be a team member at this awesome school for the past 21 years.

Jean Wren has been my assistant for the past 2 years and has been a member of the Park Road Family for the past 17 years. She and her husband are blessed with 4 children and 5 grandchildren.

It is a tradition in our environment that we wear slippers throughout the day. The children change into them when they come to school and change back into their shoes in the afternoon before outside time. These slippers stay in their cubbies and are sent home when they need to be replaced. These slippers need to be **PLAIN, lace free without any characters or fur**. It is important that they have a back on them and are a tight fit, so that your child's foot does not slip out. Remember that they do give with wear and tear. Make sure that these slippers are skid free. The girls are comfortable in ballet slippers and these and other kinds of slippers are available at Target, Wal-Mart and online.

Please send the following items with your child.

- A shoulder backpack big enough to hold a towel, composition and library books.
- A change of clothes (shirt, pants, underwear and socks) in a Ziploc bag labeled.
- 1 Box of **16 CRAYOLA** watercolors
- Box of **24 CRAYOLA** color pencils (**NOT THE ERASABLE ONES**)
- 2 **BLACK** marbled **WIDE RULED** composition book.
- 1 container of Clorox wipes
- *Kindergartners* need a white 2 inch three ring **WHITE** binder.
- *Kindergarten girls* - one packet of O-Cello sponges, *Kindergarten boys* – 1box of gallon size Ziploc bags , 1 bag of craft loops.
- *Pre K girls*- 2 boxes of quart size Ziploc bags
- *Pre K boys*- Family size box of Kleenex

I look forward to meeting all of you at the Open House for our classroom and answering all your questions, as we all sit together and discuss the coming school year. Please remember to bring the yellow packets with all the forms filled up. You are welcome to bring their school supplies on that day too.

Fondly,

Ms. Priti.