

JUMP-START!

LETTER TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS WEEK 7: MAKE A NEW FRIEND

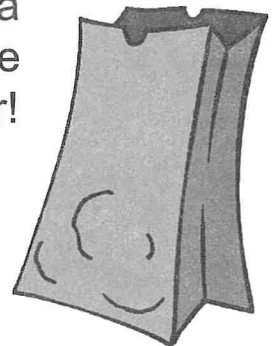
Dear Parents/Guardians:

As part of JUMP-START! this week, our school is focusing on *making new friends*. Making new friends helps students get to know others and learn to include others in their activities. Emphasizing the importance of getting to know everyone prevents students from forming “cliques” or groups that do not include everyone. Please encourage your child to give everyone a chance!

Fun Family Tip:

- © Here’s a simple at-home activity that teaches your children the importance of getting to know the “inside” of someone, rather than judging others by how they look or the way they act:

Place your child’s favorite snack or candy in a plain brown lunch bag. Place a rock or other heavy object in a gift bag. Let your child choose which bag he/she wants. (He/she will usually pick the gift bag.) After your child opens the gift bag and sees what it contains, give him/her the snack in the plain bag. Talk with your child about how we cannot judge what is inside something (like a bag) just by looking at it, just as we cannot judge a person’s personality just by looking at him/her!



Thanks, and have a great week!