

ECC FAMILY NEWSLETTER

AUGUST 29, 2021



DEAR ECC FAMILIES,

It was so nice to see students and families for **Preschool Open House and Kindergarten**

Readiness Assessments. I love the slow build up to the first day of school for our Itty Bitty Bulldogs. It is important for children to feel safe when they begin school, and that takes time and trust. Providing school tours in the spring, popsicles on the playground in the summer, and 1:1 meet the teacher/KRA appointments , gives young children several opportunities to see the building and meet the people who will care for them while they're away from home. If your child is feeling anxious, show them the pictures in our newsletters and their teacher's welcome letters, and talk to them about the people they will see and what the day will look/feel like.

Thank you for dropping off supplies and completing all of the sign-ups/paperwork for our office. If you haven't completed your **medical paperwork for preschool**, please have these in by **Tuesday, August 31st.**

One of the questions I was asked a few times this week during Kindergarten appts was, "**Why aren't Kindergartners having snack time?**" Due to our classroom sizes (sq ft) and having 23 students in a room, sitting at tables of 4-5 (not individual desks), we cannot safely unmask and space out 3-6 feet to eat a snack. If a student were to be exposed to someone who was positive for Covid, we would have to quarantine groups of students at a time. We are about 50/50 with mask options. We will unmask for breakfast and lunch where we can space out in our cafeteria. **Breakfast is served at 7:45am** and is free for all this year. Our **lunch program begins at 10:30am** and is also free for everyone. If your child eats really early due to their bus schedule and you are worried about them not eating until 10:30am or 11:30am, they are welcome to attend our breakfast program. Please let your teacher know if your child will have breakfast each day so they can mark their name tag.

Note: Preschoolers eat snack each day in the cafeteria as a part of their curriculum. They do not eat breakfast or lunch.

Reminder, with the first days of school, buses may run a little late. It takes time to read name tags and check rosters as we learn all of our bus riders and their routes. The same is true with our car rider line. Thank you in advance for your patience.

Looking forward to see all of our Kindergartners on Monday and our Preschoolers on Tuesday!

Stay strong, parents! You can do it:)

With Excitement,
Dora

SCHOOL TIMES

Kindergarten School Day:

7:55-2:25pm

Note: Doors open at 7:45am. If your child plans to eat breakfast, please have them at school by 7:45. Students cannot enter the building prior to 7:45am.

Preschool AM:

8:00-10:30am

Preschool PM:

11:40-2:10pm

The ECC Office Hours:

7:30am-3:30pm (after 3:30, you are able to leave a message)

The Night Before Kindergarten - Children's Story Read Aloud for Kids - Back to School



IMPORTANT DATES

- August 30th: First Day of Kindergarten
- August 31st: First Day of Preschool
- September 23rd: ECC Picture Day
- September 28th: FLECC PTA Mtg, 7pm @FL

PLEASE JOIN PTA!!!

KINDERGARTEN CRAZY COLOR DAYS

Dear Parents,

We are reviewing colors through a class-made book called "Crazy Color Creatures." The story emphasizes color words and rhyming words through a silly song. Your child will be reading/singing this big book each day and coloring a page to create his/her own book. To reinforce the colors, you may have your child wear the color of the day, but it is not mandatory! Please no late night Target runs for a purple shirt :-) Don't forget to have your child wear his/her bus tag too! Thanks!

Monday Aug. 30 -1st day of school choice + bus tag

Tuesday Aug. 31 - Fred Red day + bus tag

Wednesday Sept. 1 - Mel O. Yellow day + bus tag

Thursday Sept. 2 - Jean Green day + bus tag

Friday Sept. 3 - Sue Blue day + bus tag

Monday Sept. 6 - Labor Day - NO SCHOOL

Tuesday Sept. 7 - Merple Purple day + bus tag

Wednesday Sept. 8 - Dwight White + bus tag

Thursday Sept. 9 - Jack Black day + bus tag

Friday Sept. 10 - Link Pink day + bus tag

Monday Sept. 13 – Round Brown + bus tag

Tuesday Sept. 14 - Orin Orange day + bus tag

(It is the last day for the bus tag! If you'd like to put it in your child's backpack as a reference, just in case, you can. Can your child tell you the bus number and recognize the number?)

SMALL CHILD SIZED DISPOSABLE WATER BOTTLES NEEDED!

With our water fountains still closed due to Covid, we are asking for water donations to provide students who forget their water bottles at home. We currently do not have a water

bottle refill station. The small sized water bottles work great for our Itty Bitty Bulldogs! Thank you in advance!

LUNCH MENU FOR AUG. 30TH-SEPT. 3RD

Monday: Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, California Blend Veg, Applesauce

Tuesday: Chicken Nuggets, Baked Beans, Kiwi, Cookie

Wednesday: Breakfast Sandwich, Carrots, Side Salad, Banana

Thursday: Cheeseburger, Emoji Potatoes, Side Salad, Peaches

Friday: Pizza Dippers with Cheese Stick, Steamed Broccoli, Fresh Fruit

FAMILIES IN NEED OF SCHOOL SUPPLIES

If your child is in need of school supplies, please reach out to our school counselor, Mrs. Hays or call the office and speak with Mrs. Santiago (Miss Megan). We are able to help those in need through generous donations from PTA members. We will have these supplies available when you come in for your KRA appointments!

Andrea Hays; ahays@ofcs.net

Miss Megan; msantiago@ofcs.net or call 440.427.6360

PRESCHOOL SUPPLY LIST 2021-2022

- Pair of kids [scissors](#) (blunt)
- 6 pack of Elmer's [Glue Sticks](#)
- 2 Elmer's [Bottles of Glue](#)
- 10 pack of Crayola [Markers](#)
- Pack of Crayola [Crayons](#)
- Pack of Crayola [Colored Pencils](#)
- Pack of 4 [Expo Markers](#)
- 1 white/clear plastic 6-quart shoe box size [container](#)
- 1 one inch [binder](#)

Please LABEL all of the above items and place them in the plastic shoe box size container
Please bring this to school with you during open house

- 1 [tissue box](#)

- 1 box of gallon-sized [ziploc bags](#)
- Change of Clothes: Accidents happen! Please provide a change of clothes for your child that includes: shirt, pants, socks, & underwear. Please LABEL all items and place them in a gallon size Ziploc Bag with your child's name.

KINDERGARTEN SUPPLY LIST FOR 2021-2022

Kindergarten Supply list 2021-2...

drive.google.com

PAY SCHOOL FEES ONLINE HERE!

ECC SCHOOL FEES 2021-2022

Preschool students: \$60.00 a year

- Snack and instructional supplies

Preschool Peer Models: \$150.00 a month (snack fee & supplies built in)

Kindergarten: \$75.00 Total

- \$6 art supplies
- \$5 field trips/activities
- \$25.00 technology (Raz Kids, SeeSaw, Compass Learning, NWEA and DRA)
- \$39 Instructional (Math/ELA workbooks, Scholastic Weekly Readers, consumables)

PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE



KINDERGARTEN MEET-THE-TEACHER

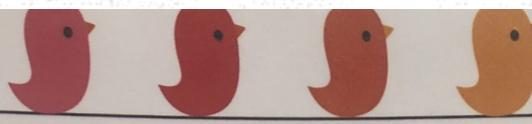






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CLASSROOM ENVIRONMENTS



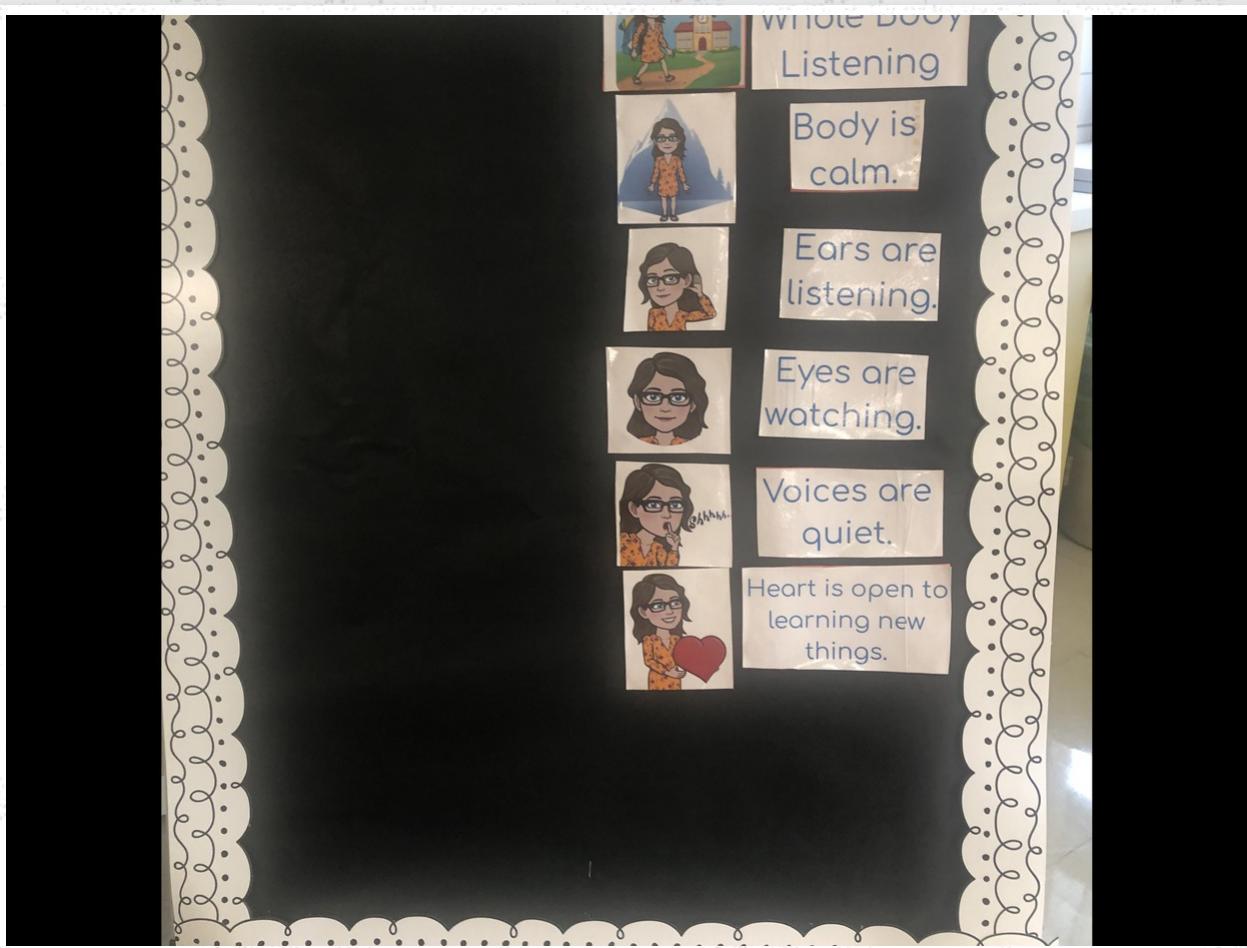
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In this **classroom**, we **create** the **environment** and the **learning** together. This is **OUR classroom**, not **my classroom**. When **students** have more **ownership** over the **classroom environment**, they have more **ownership** over their **learning**.



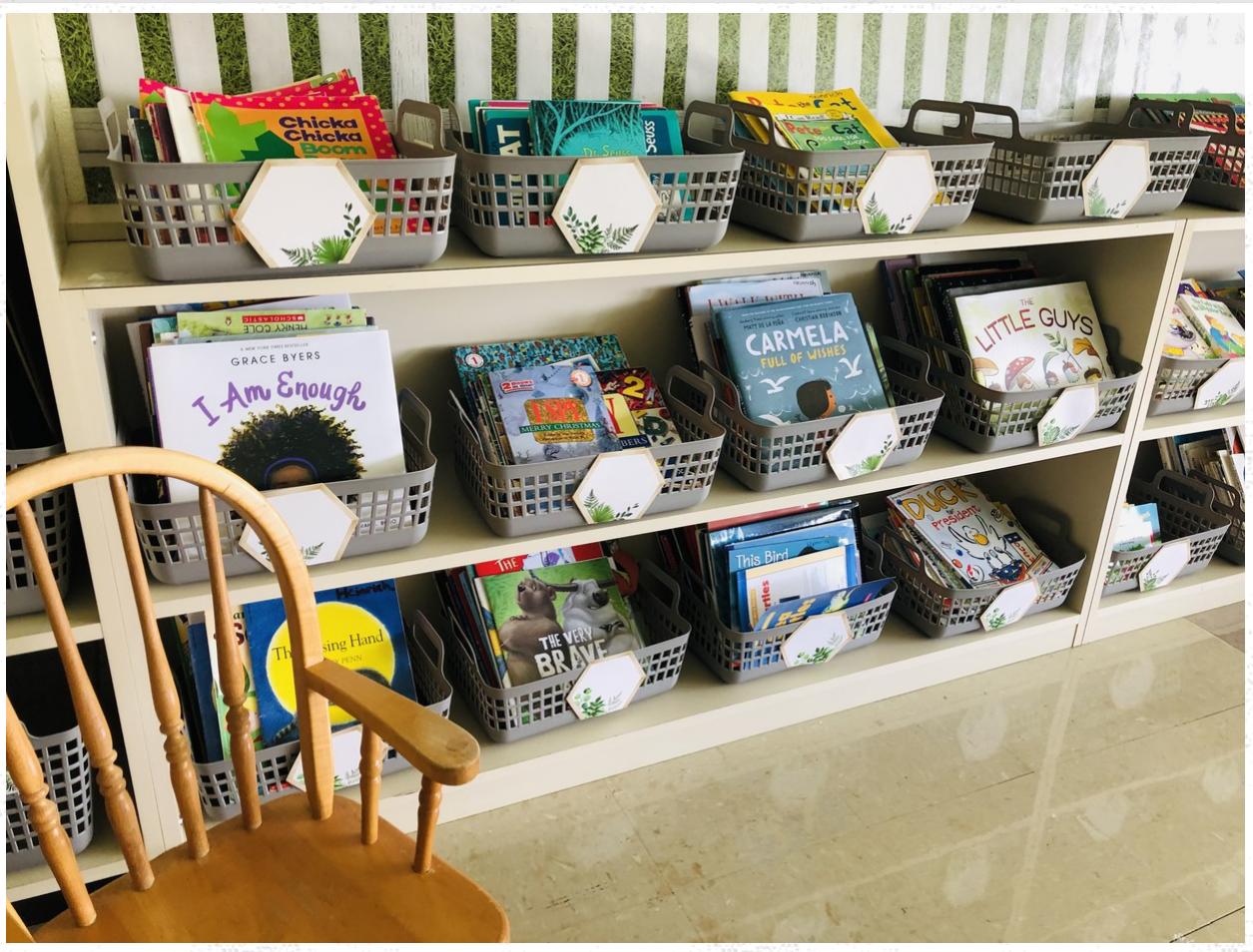
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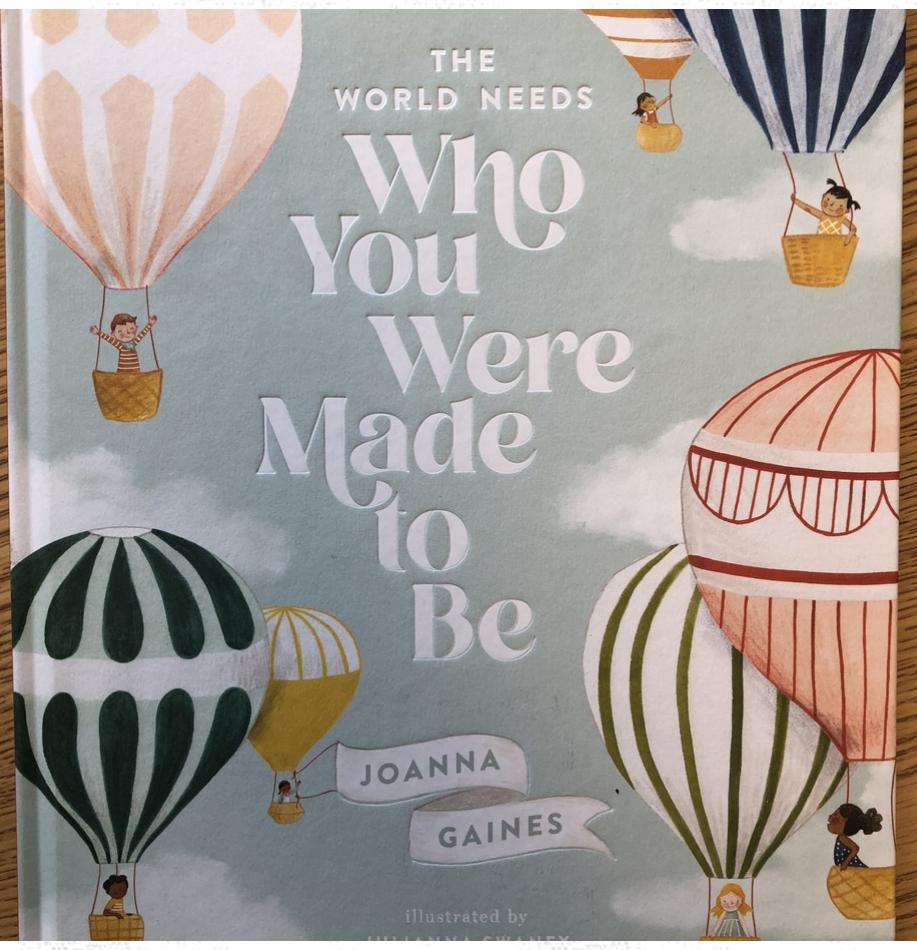
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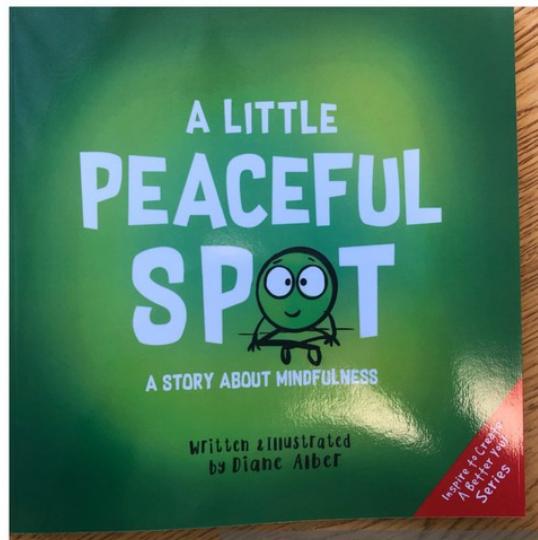
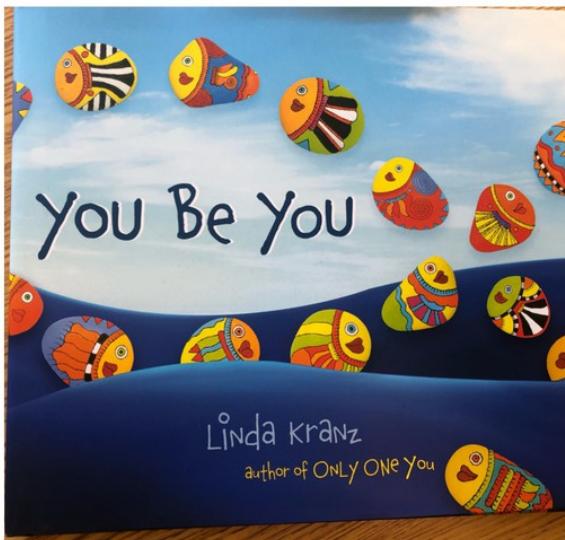
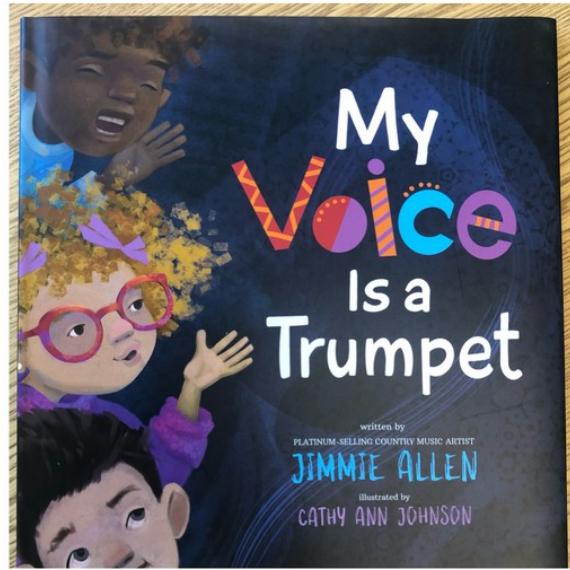
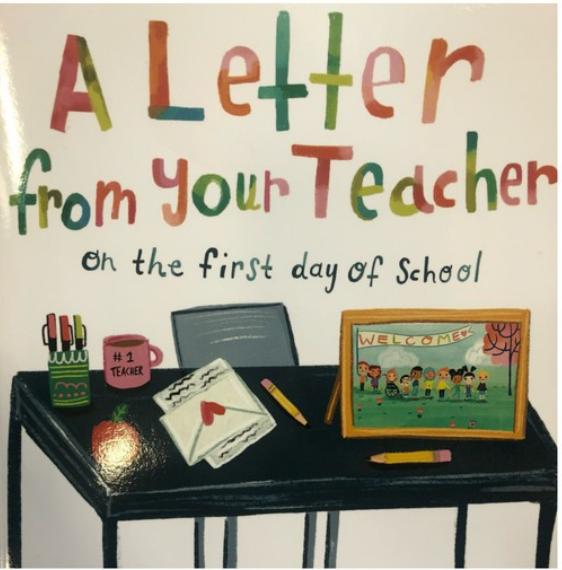
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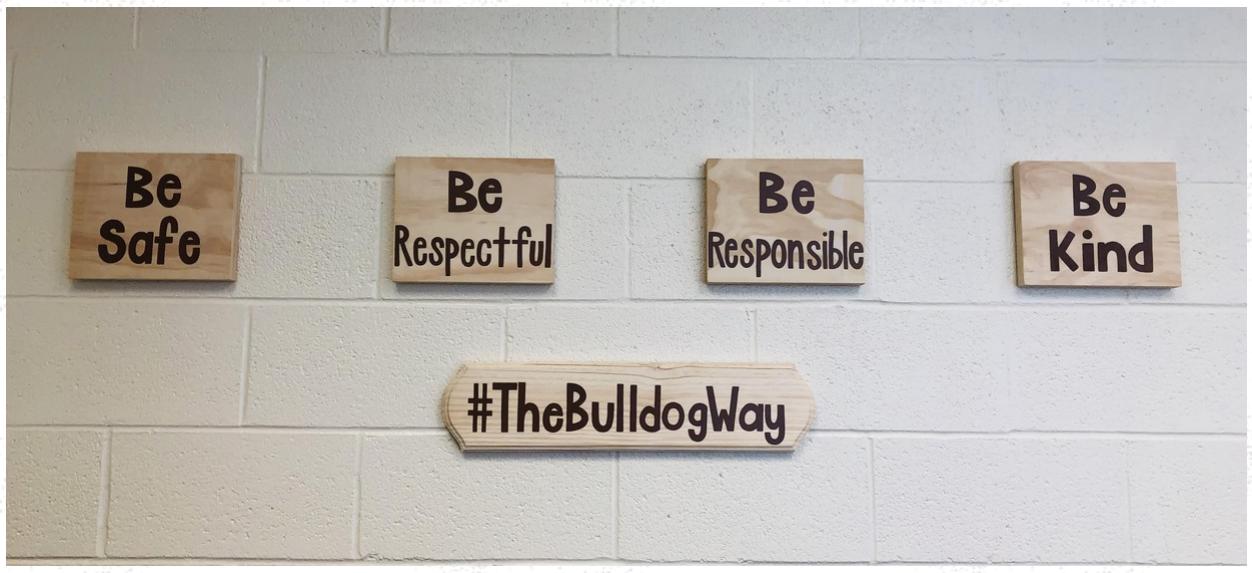
LILLIAN G. CHAMBERS







WE AGREE TO...





THE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

 @ECCBulldogs

Early Childhood Center Mission:

Olmsted Falls Early Childhood Center strives to create a nurturing learning environment. We believe in the power of strong relationships within our school community to help students feel safe and comfortable in sharing who they are, while developing the skills necessary to think critically, problem solve, and work collaboratively with others.

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