

Dear Parents,

I would like to welcome your child to Kindergarten! This is a new and exciting time for everyone and by working together; we can make it a happy experience for your son or daughter.

Our program is designed to be 'hands-on'. Our 'work' is made up of a lot of projects. Listed below are supplies your child will need for kindergarten.

**\*backpack:** The backpack should be **large** enough to carry a take-home folder, lunch box (if applicable) and projects to and from school. **Clearly label your child's backpack with his/her name.** Also, please help your child learn how to zip and unzip his/her backpack and how to get it on or off.

**\*art smock:** This will remain in school in your child's locker. An old, oversized t-shirt works best.  
Please **label your child's smock.**

**\*sneakers:** We have P.E. and recess every day. This means your child needs sneakers every day. A pair can be left in their locker space. Your child needs to be able to put these on independently. Velcro is A-OK!

**\*extra change of clothing:** Please put it in a **labeled zip-lock bag.**  
This will also remain in school in your child's locker.

The school provides pencils (I use specific pencils that are developmentally appropriate), and scissors. I will also supply each child with a pencil box at their seat.

- **We are also fortunate enough to have supplies donated by the Unatego Elementary PTO\***  
**They will be providing crayons and glue sticks for each child this year**

**OPTIONAL SUPPLIES** (We will share these supplies in our classroom.)

I would appreciate any of the following items **throughout the year.**

- a package of Ziploc bags (any size)
- a package of sanitizing wipes
- a package of napkins
- a roll of paper towels
- a package of small white paper plates
- a 'Magic Eraser'

\* We eat lunch early in the day, so the children often need a snack in the afternoon. I will send home a snack calendar that will indicate when your child will be responsible for providing snack for the class.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me at school 369-6200 or via email at [khafele@unatego.stier.org](mailto:khafele@unatego.stier.org) Kindergarten is a year of great growth and development -socially, mentally and emotionally. I look forward to working with you to make this a successful year for your child.

Have a wonderful summer. See you in September!



Kelli Hafele  
Kindergarten Teacher

P.S. I am looking for a few Monarch Butterfly Caterpillars for the children to observe in the classroom. If you happen to find one, please send it in!