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Dear Families,

I am pleased to announce that our school will soon be offering an exciting electronic communications program for parents, called Links 2 Home. We know how much you enjoy receiving communication about your child's days at school, and now we will be able to share so much more with you.

Beginning shortly.... each of our classrooms will be equipped with an iPad Mini which will enable teachers to send a photo for each child each day. Parents of younger children who currently receive printed daily reports will begin receiving them via email instead. Parents of older children will start receiving a daily learning update by email. You will begin receiving these additional e-communications as soon as our teachers are trained.

As a safety measure, the iPads are locked down, so the teachers do not have access to the Internet or any other apps. You will not be able to reply to the teachers through email so that they can remain focused on the children at all times.

If you have not already done so, please fill out and return the attached Applicant Information Form for each of your children. It is critical that we have accurate contact information to ensure that you receive all electronic communications.

Links 2 Home is powered by Tadpoles, the leader in preschool communications, but is tailored specifically to tie with our Links to Learning curriculum. Links 2 Home has a mobile app that you can download to get started. The app gives you the ability to easily view photos, notes and daily reports from teachers, as well as the ability to easily notify us of special drop-off information or absences.

Download Links 2 Home at the <u>iTunes</u> or <u>Google Play</u> store and create an account using the email address that is on file with our school. Both parents are able to create accounts but it must match the information that you provided on the Applicant Information Form.

Feel free to contact me with any questions or feedback as we strive to continuously improve our communications with you, our valued families.

Please return your completed application(s) to our school Assistant Principal, Nicole Pezzullo. We will let you know when we go live.

Sincerely,

Melinda Willey Principal