Dear East Ward Kindergartener,

Welcome to your first year of school at East Ward Elementary! My name is Mr. Prescott, and I am so very excited that we will get to spend your first year at school learning and having fun together. You and your parents will be able to see our classroom and meet at Back to School Night on Thursday, August 20 from 6:00 – 7:45 PM.

I hope you have been enjoying your summer. Can you think of something you did that you can share with your new classmates? This summer I’ve enjoyed reading, riding my bike, listening to music, and playing with Lyra and Dexter (they’re dogs). But I can’t wait for the new school year. I hope you feel that way, too.

We will be starting Kindergarten soon, and there are some things that I would like you to know. Your first day of school will be on Monday, August 26. School starts at 8:50 for AM kindergarten, and ends at 11:45. PM kindergarten starts at 12:35 and ends at 3:30.

Your first job as a Kindergartener is to have a parent write your name and how you will get home (car, walk, or bus) on the name tag in this envelope. You will need to wear this on the first day of school. It is important for your parent to fill out the transportation letter so you can give it to me on the first day of school, too. If you haven’t already done it, please read a Dr. Seuss book with a grownup. Then draw a picture of your favorite page from the book and have a grownup help you write a sentence about it.

I can’t wait to meet you soon – we’re going to learn so much together!

Your teacher,

Mr. Prescott

P.S. The welcome letter from all three kindergarten teachers asks for some supplies. Our classroom already has plenty of cleaning wipes, zip lock bags, and glue sticks. If you are able, please do send in a pair of ear buds for you to use with our iPads, and baby wipes and Band-Aids for our class to share if we need them.