We have had a great week at school. It has been full of learning and making friends. At Jeffery we do a school-wide activity called **Morning Meeting**. The purpose of the Morning Meeting is to build a strong sense of community in the classroom. During the Morning Meeting, we greet one another, do an activity, allow for sharing, and read the morning message that may include a review of a reading or math skill.

“*Getting to Know You*” is an activity we do each day to learn about a classmate. A student’s name is written on the board. We say the letters and count how many letters are in the name. After interviewing the student, everyone writes the friend’s name and draws a picture of him/her. When we have learned about all our classmates the pictures will be compiled into a class book.

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As we work our way through the alphabet we will meet the Alphafriends. These are characters in the shape of the lowercase letters. We have met

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**Mimi Mouse Sammy Seal**

This week we learned the words **I** and **like**. We read a book and each of us got to tell about something we like. Then we wrote sentences in our journals using the words.

**I like \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

During Language Arts we practiced the **Three Ways to Read a Book**:

1. Read the pictures.
2. Read the words.
3. Retell the story.

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In Math we have been counting to 20 and back from 10. We made patterns using blocks, Unifix cubes, and body movements. Have your child show you a pattern (i.e., clap, snap, clap, snap).

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If you have not already, please send a class snack for this month. We have 20 students in our class. *Remember your child also needs a personal snack each morning from home.*

We are also requesting each student to bring to school an extra set of clothes (shirt, pants, underwear, and two pairs of socks). Occasionally a child will spill milk or juice or fall in the mud so it is helpful to have a change of clothes already at school.

Please remember, KUSD requires every student to have a clean pair of gym shoes that remain at school.

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The Scholastic book order is due Wednesday, September 17th. You may send the paper order form with a check made out to Scholastic Book Club or go online with the class activation code to pay by credit card.

**Dates to Remember:**

Monday, September 22nd

*Picture Day (order forms will be sent home soon).*