

## A Letter about the Monthly Family Learning Calendar

Dear Families,

Thank you for being Parents as Partners in early literacy. Together we will nurture within your child a love of learning, an understanding of numbers, and together we will develop a confident reader and writer.

Your nightly commitment to reading 20 minutes (or more!) with your child is crucial to his or her success in school. And because early writing teaches reading, we hope you will encourage daily writing and drawing as a playful part of childhood!

We are confident you will find a few literacy and math activities every week from this calendar that you will naturally weave into your family life.

Please enjoy this calendar and let it be a gentle reminder to sing, talk, and read with your child every night. Write and draw often, count everything, take walks and explore nature, tell stories, enjoy family dinnertime, and savor childhood—**your family is still the most important teacher your child will ever have!**

With appreciation,

Your child's teacher

*As teachers of the young, we have a covenant that says we jointly share responsibility for teaching your child.*

Ernest Boyer