

Dear Families/Caregivers,

Two key components of social awareness are the ability to choose safe and ethical behavior and to notice and speak out against unsafe or unethical behavior towards oneself or others. To do this, students must first understand the importance of rules. Students learned that rules are important because they make things **safe** and **fair** for all.

Use these suggestions and activities to help your child understand the importance of rules:

- Write your family rules and post them where everyone can see them. Talk about how the rules make things safe and fair for everyone.
- Talk with your child about his or her classroom and school rules. Make sure he or she knows and understands the rules. Also, let your child know that you expect him or her to follow the rules.
- Play games as a family and talk about how the rules make the game fun and fair for everyone. Talk about what the game would be like without rules.
- When driving with your child in the car, talk about the importance of traffic and pedestrian laws. Ask your child what would happen if there were no traffic laws.

Sincerely,

Your Child's Teacher