

# Welcome to Kindergarten

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Dear Families,

I'd like to take this opportunity to introduce myself and to say hello! My name is Dara Gelb, and I will be your child's kindergarten teacher this year! I hope this letter finds you well rested, relaxed, and enjoying your summer as much as possible. I enjoyed my summer, and I'm now getting ready and very excited about the beginning of the 2024 - 2025 school year!

I have been spending most of my summer with my two children Adrianna and Nathan. I hope you were able to spend time doing things that you enjoy too!

You will need a few things on the first day of school so that you are well prepared for Kindergarten. Please see our suggested Kindergarten Supply List attached to this letter and on Parkville's Website: <https://www.greatneck.k12.ny.us/PV>.

These are a few additional items that would be very helpful as well:

- ★ 6 Avery Glue Sticks (1.27 oz)
- ★ 1 Plastic Shoe Box for locker storage
- ★ 2 Boxes of Ziploc Storage Bags Gallon Size
- ★ 2 Boxes of Ziploc Storage Bags Quart Size
- ★ 2 Bottles of Pump Hand Soap

Our class uses a subscription to *Scholastic Let's Find Out* magazine (along with the new *Science Spin* edition), a children's educational publication. Please bring a check for **\$8.00** for this amazing subscription. Please make checks payable to **Scholastic** and write your child's name in the memo section.

I am looking forward to meeting you and your child at our **Kindergarten Meet & Greet** on **Tuesday, September 3rd at 2:30pm**, in our classroom. Please bring your child's supplies and other items on the supply lists to Meet & Greet so that everything will be ready on the **first day of school, Wednesday, September 4th**. \*Please be sure to send lunch and snack on the first day (clearly labeled in two separate bags) to help build independence from day 1. If you ordered supplies through the PTO, they will already be in the classroom. I know we are going to have a terrific year together!

Enjoy the rest of your summer! I cannot wait to meet you!

Sincerely,


Mrs. Gelb

**2024-2025**

The following are suggested supplies you may wish to bring with you to school in

September: *{If purchasing school supplies places a hardship on your family, supplies will be provided.}*

**\*Welcome Letters and Teacher-specific Supply Lists with some additional requested items can be found linked to each teacher's name on the Parkville Website: <https://www.greatneck.k12.ny.us/PV>.**

- 1 standard-sized elementary **backpack** (no wheels please)
  - 1 hard **plastic pencil box** to store supplies in school  
(suggested size, 8" x 5", no larger than 9" x 6")
  - 1 adult-sized t-shirt to use as a **smock** for art
  - 1 **change of clothes** (including underwear & socks) in a labeled Ziploc bag ~ please label each clothing item
  - 1 box of **thick and** 1 box of **thin** Crayola washable **markers** (not scented please, 10 count)
  - 1 box of long Crayola **colored pencils**, sharpened **and** 1 box of Crayola **crayons** (24 count)
  - 1 multi-pack each of small and large **glue sticks and** 1 bottle of **Elmer's school glue**
  - 1 5" safety **scissor**, blunt (*Fiskars* brand, if possible)
  - 1 box of pre-sharpened #2 **pencils** with erasers (12 count, *Ticonderoga* if possible)
  - 6-12 low-odor, thin, **black dry erase markers** (*Expo* brand)
  - 8 black **felt-tipped pens** (*PaperMate* Flair, if possible)
  - 2 **plastic** (not plastic coated) **folders** with inside bottom pockets
  - 2 **plastic pocket folders with 3-hole fasteners** inside, **one blue and one red**
  - 1 **Primary Journal Creative Story Tablet** (Mead brand, K - 2, picture space on top/primary lines below)
  - 1 on/over the ear adjustable band **headphones** (no earbuds, please; remove from packaging and label and place in a labeled Ziploc bag)
  - 1 box of **tissues and** 1 package of **baby wipes**
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In addition, a **donation** of any of the following items would be greatly appreciated: a box of snack size, sandwich or quart size, or 1 or 2 gallon **Ziploc *baggies***; a roll of **paper towels**; a box of **plastic spoons or forks**; a box of **clear sheet protectors**; white **paper plates**, any size, non-coated, please (*Chinet* brand, if possible)

We wish you a wonderful rest of the summer! We look forward to meeting you soon!

## Love, Parkville's Kindergarten Teachers

*\*If ordering online, you will be prompted to add the headphones, a required item, at checkout.*