



Speech and Language Therapists

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## *Welcome*

Dear Parents:

We've been busy working on schedules, talking with teachers and observing in the classroom. Next week, we look forward to beginning our speech and language sessions with your children. Although there's a whole new group of kindergarteners, some are familiar to us through the Unity West Pre K classroom.

Please let us know through email or a note, if you would like us to send homework and we will be more than

happy to do so. Homework helps children to practice speech sounds or learning of concepts several times a week, making faster progress. We appreciate all of the support you give your child in knowing what it is we're working on and emphasizing it with your child.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions about what we are working on. If you'd like to observe, you can schedule a time with us to watch your child's session.

Please send in a note if you would like your child to receive a speech/language assessment.

## *What sounds should I expect my child to produce correctly?*

By age 3-5, children should *no longer* do the following:

- replace a k or g with a 't' or 'd' ("car" becomes "tar").
- Drop off the end of words ("da" for "dog")
- Reduce the 1st part of a blend ("top" for "stop").

Some of the speech sounds that are mastered by age 5 include:

- p, b, t, d, k, g, f, l

If your child is having difficulty with any of the above, you can refer them to your school speech/language therapist.

## *Open House*

**Come visit the speech/  
language room at the  
Unity West Open House  
Thursday, September 3rd**