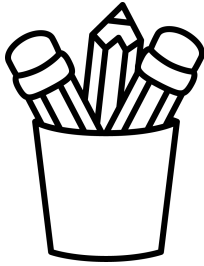


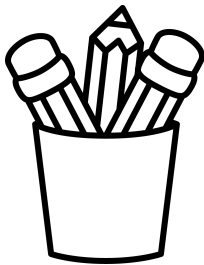
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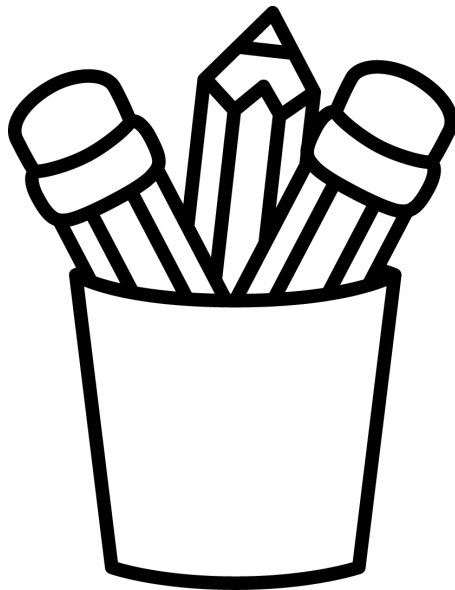
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Dear parents/guardians,

This year in our classroom we will be using something called home journals. Home journals are a journal that your child will write to you in at the end of every week. Your child will be encouraged to write about highlights of the week, things that happened at school, or whatever else he/she would like to write about.

You will have the opportunity to write back to your child after reading what he/she wrote.

BENEFITS

- Your child will practice writing to a real audience – you! This will give him/her a purpose for writing.
- Your child will feel special when he/she reads what you wrote back.
- This is a great communication tool between school and home. Have you ever asked your child what he/she did at school and you get “Nothing” or “I don’t know” as a response? Home journals are an opportunity for your child to tell you about successes, challenges, and highlights of the week.

When you write back to your child, please:

- do not make corrections to his/her spelling or writing.
- respond to what he/she wrote in a positive manner by making compliments, asking questions, showing excitement, etc.
- enjoy communicating back and forth!

This is going to be a fun activity this year! I hope that you enjoy it! If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to ask me.

Sincerely,