KINDERGARTEN PARENT INFORMATION

	Students Will Learn	Work on at Home
Reading	-Ask and answer questions about details in a story -Retell familiar stories, including important detailsIdentify characters, settings, and major events in a storyDescribe the connection between two individuals, events, ideas, or pieces of information in a textAsk and answer questions about unknown words in a textRecognize common types of texts -Identify the front cover, back cover, and title page of a bookName the author and illustrator of a story and define the role of each in telling the story.	-Read sight words -Read stories together -While reading, ask basic comprehension questions: 1. Who is the main character? 2. Where does the story take place? 3. What was your favorite part of the story? 4. What happened at the beginning? 5. What happened at the end?
Writing	By the end of the year students will learn how to write a sentence that has: • Capital letter at the beginning • Correct punctuation (. or ? at the end) • Finger spaces between words • Sight words spelled correctly	-Write their name -Write uppercase and lowercase letters -Write sight words -Write simple words Parent say "write /c/ /a/ /t/"
Math	Number sense- how to use and understand numbers Write numbers 0-31 Read numbers 0-31 Count numbers 0-31 Add and Subtract to 10 Sort objects by shape, color, and size Shapes and Patterns	-Write numbers -Count to 31 together -Count objects 1:1 Counting 1 object at a time -Sort objects by shape, size, or color
Science & SS Themes	Tri 1 Welcome to School! I Am Amazing- I Feel Fine Those Nearest and Dearest- Family Head to Toe- Human Body Tri 2 Cornucopia – Fall and the 4 Seasons What's On the Menu- Food Sing a Song- Paint a Picture - Arts Winter Weatherland – Winter Day and Night- Opposites Words and Roads- Transportation Safe and Sound- Community Helpers Fur and Feathers- Mammals and Birds Tri 3 City Gardens- City vs. Country and Plants Buggy About Spring- Spring and Insects Water Wonders- Water Cycle Earth Day Everyday Dinosaurs	-Read stories about these topics -Talk about these topics when you have opportunities at home, in the car, and in different situations -Questions to ask students: 1. What is something you learned today? 2. What was your favorite part of the day? 3. What was the hardest thing you had to do in school today? 4. What is a nice thing you said to someone today?
Social Skills	Respect Others Tell the truth Self-control Work independently and stay on task	Share and take turns Follow 2- step directions Take care of basic needs on their own (bathroom, tissues, tie shoes)

For more detailed information on Kindergarten state standards, please visit: http://education.state.mn.us/MDE/dse/stds/