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Character Pillar of the Month:

Citizenship

Having good citizenship means:

- Doing your share to make your school and community better
- Cooperating
- Getting involved in community affairs.
- Staying informed; voting
- Being a good neighbor
- Obeying laws and rules
- Respect authority
- Protect the environment
- Volunteer

Its all about us in-In Class Guidance!

Welcome to the fourth week of school.

Last week it was *all about us* for in class guidance!

- Primary students have been discovering self by sharing things about their selves with me puzzles and learning to appreciate unique characteristics like skin tone with the book, *"Colors of Us"* by Karen Katz.
- The Early Elementary students have been exploring characteristics about their selves through letter writing and creating a Garden of Greatness, in

which they make flowers and decorate the flower petals with things they are great in.

- The Upper Elementary students are busy at work creating and defining goals they will like to achieve by the end of the school year.

This week is our week of review for some and for others we are moving on to learn about the importance of behavior. I will also introduce the Character Pillar of the Month as well.

- The Primary students will have a discussion

about how they felt sharing things about their selves with their class and some things they were able to share.

- The Early Elementary students are finishing up their Garden of greatness and having an in-depth conversation on behavior.
- The Upper Elementary students are polishing off their goals and will be ready to take their first steps to goal achievement.



Announcements:

- Parent University is on Thursday, September 8, 2011
- The topic that I will discuss is attendance. I will provide handouts on the importance of attendance and conduct a small quiz to promote awareness.



Topic of the Month: Attendance

Attendance greatly affects your child's education. Regular school attendance prevents your child from falling behind in school work and not doing well on exams. Attendance is not only a requirement but it's your child's commitment to their education. Teaching your child to have a strong commitment to their education starts with them attending

school every day and on time. Regular school attendance allows your child to feel apart of our learning community. Your child's regular attendance allows Carolina School for Inquiry to provide our students with a sense of stability and consistency. South Carolina law requires regular school attendance for every child who is at least five years

old on or before the first day of September of a particular school year, and until the child turns 17 years old. Parents are primarily responsible for ensuring that their child attends school regularly, and they face statutory penalties if they neglect that responsibility.