



# Welcome Back Families!

We are very excited to begin another wonderful year at Somerset Davie!

Our first week was a great success. Students have become familiar with the classroom routines and expectations and we want to thank our families for sending the children in with the requested supplies, proper uniforms, and signatures.

## WELCOME

As the children develop their routines here at school, please put into place routines at home that will assist them in being the best they can be!

Families who join Box Tops for Education are passionate about helping schools succeed and giving students more opportunities to learn. Last year our school won \$5,000 from Box Tops 4 Education and we are hoping for another great year! I also wanted to bring to your attention that over 100 retailers such as Oriental Trading, Target, JC Pennys, Staples, Best Buy, Disney and more, give eBoxTops to our school when you shop online at the Marketplace found on [www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com) Plus, you become an Online Power Earner and can earn Bonus Box Tops. So please join Box Tops for Education online and earn cash for our school. It's easy and free!!!

### WAYS TO HELP YOUR CHILD SUCCEED- YOUR CHILD'S EYESIGHT

Working in a school allows myself and the teachers at Somerset Davie to be a part of your child's growth and development. For some students a part of their growth is the realization that they need glasses. I have personally seen children have low or failing grades when they did not have their glasses to help them read or see the board. Some parents may feel sad or upset to think that there is something "wrong" with their child or remember from their own childhood days when a classmate who wore glasses was teased. The key is for parents to develop a positive attitude toward their glasses-wearing child. This happens once parents realize that the glasses will make an important difference in their son/daughter's eyesight. Your child will now have an opportunity to expand his or her world, have a chance to see better, and gain the ability to get information in a more efficient manner. A parent who honestly believes that the glasses are important for their child will have an advantage when it comes to getting your child to wear them.

If your child has been given glasses to wear by the doctor, be sure to ask the doctor at what times does my child need to wear his or her glasses? Some are meant for close work (homework or work at the desk) and others for distance (seeing the board or teacher demonstrations). Once you find out what the doctor has recommended please share this information with the teacher so she can help your child adjust and wear them at the appropriate times.

If you have a child who is not organized, you may want to consider having two pair of glasses. One to be left in the classroom and the other at home. This will help to keep your child from losing them or forgetting them daily.

If a child learns that he or she has control over wearing their glasses, parents may lose the battle, therefore you must make the glasses a part of the child's daily routine. Just as you would question whether or not they brushed their teeth daily-and not let them skip this important routine, they should not forget their glasses and/or refuse to wear them.

Remember, YOU are your child's most influential teacher and we need your full support to ensure their success in school.

#### Important Dates

No School	5
Fundraiser Kick off	7
Benchmark Testing Grades 3-5	12-15th
Dress Down Day \$1	21
Early Release	22
Interims go home	23
Picture day (in uniforms)	27
Bake Sale -all items 50 cents sponsored By 5th grade	28
No School	29

**Parents  
As  
Partners  
Meeting  
September 14th  
7:00 p.m  
Learn about ways  
to become  
involved at  
Somerset Davie**