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Dear Parents,

Welcome to St. Teresa! I am looking forward to teaching your child this year. As a way to help me understand your child's needs, I would like you to write me a letter telling me about your child. Don't worry about handwriting, spelling or grammar. Parents know their children best. Here is a list of some of the things you might like to include:

- a. Tell me all the things that you think are wonderful about your child. Go ahead and brag!
- b. What are your child's interests, hobbies, passions? What does he/she do in their spare time? What kinds of friends do they prefer?
- c. What are some areas in which your child may not feel secure (i.e. social situations, being in front of a class, public speaking, specific subject areas)?
- d. Are there any special considerations I should be aware of such as, health problems, changes in family situations, attitude, recent move, or divorce)?
- e. What kinds of teaching/teachers does your child respond to best?
- f. What are your hopes, dreams, expectations, and goals (academic and social) for your child this year?
- g. What concerns do you have about your child this year?

Also please include:

My child likes to be called _____.

My child lives with _____.

My child has _____brothers, _____sisters. Do any of them attend St. Teresa?

Do you have any special talents you would like to share with the class?
(Sewing, storytelling, reading aloud to the class, music, dance, career- related skills)

Thanks in advance,
Mrs. Ellen McGrath