



# Little Falls School No. 3

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Hello friends!

Wow, I have never seen a summer fly by so fast! You know the saying, time flies when you're having fun! I hope everyone is having as much fun as I am. So far, I have been to the beach, did plenty of swimming, enjoyed fireworks, amusement parks, picnics, eaten tons of cheeseburgers & hot dogs, and read so many books. What are you reading this week? Some of my favorite stories to read tell about children who have changed the world. So far, my favorite children activists have been Marley Dias, Olivia (LivBits) Van Ledje, and Alex Scott. I've been lucky enough to meet both Marley and Olivia. Google them all and be inspired!

This year, we want YOU, our students to be empowered to share your voice, your thoughts, your passions because EVERYONE COUNTS. What you have to say and contribute to the world is important and as I have learned in the stories about children who have changed the world... kids have GREAT ideas! Included in this envelope is my All About Me Art Phone. Please check it out and make sure you do your own so we can decorate our hallways with your artwork!

I have also included a shout-out form. Have any of your school friends done something kind or thoughtful this summer? Fill out your shout-out form so we can recognize them at our first school wide meeting!

There are some exciting staffing changes we have been working on this summer!

- Mrs. Lafferman will now be our district Math Support Teacher
- Ms. Kelly Gonzalez will be taking over Mrs. Lafferman's classroom
- Ms. Boyce's maternity replacement teacher is Ms. Samantha Torsland
- Mrs. Warren's maternity replacement teacher is Ms. Kimberly Casillo
- Ms. Anzevino will be joining us as a Special Education teacher coming from School 1

Please remind your parents and guardians of our drop off and pick up procedures.

- Early Morning Drop Off starts no earlier than 8:05. Before then, there is no supervision.
- Students line up to come inside at 8:40.
- Attendance is taken at 8:45. Late students will need to be walked into the office by an adult to sign in.

- Cars and busses are to drop students off at the Garrabrant Avenue gate ONLY. Please pull all the way up to the school where the gate will be open. Please situate your vehicle so that all students can exit the car from the passenger side and that they can grab their things WITHOUT an adult leaving the vehicle. **Students will be signing in to Early Morning Drop Off FROM THIS GATE so drop off MUST occur here.**
- For dismissal, all students being picked up will be dismissed through the door directly next to the office. If you are picking up your child, you must park your car on the adjacent streets and walk to the playground. Students will not be released to vehicles pulled up to the Riker Avenue gate.
- If you determine that you live close by and that your child is responsible enough to walk to and from school, please have a note addressed to my office NO LATER THAN THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL. Students who are walking home will not be dismissed until that note is on file in the office. No students will be released on their own at any point of the year unless we have a note on file.

Thank you for your cooperation in keeping all of our students safe.

Important dates:

**September 3:** 3rd graders and their families are invited to enjoy Pops with the Principal 2-3 pm

**September 4:** Chalking welcome messages for the incoming students with 4th graders and their families 2-3pm on our playground

**September 5:** Welcome Back! Clap-In for 3rd graders at 8:35 bell. Please come to school on time on September 5, find your homeroom teacher and let the fun begin. Parents are invited to come and take pictures!

**September 12:** Back to School Night

Before you know it, we will be back to school and on our way through another busy year. While we can all get wrapped up in the daily routines of the school year, I want to remind all of my students and their families that I am available through phone and email should there ever be any questions, concerns, or ideas to share. My door is open and I truly value the relationship built between home and school. Building strong, confident, and caring students is a team effort after all. I hope that the remainder of your summer is filled with beautiful weather and fun memories.

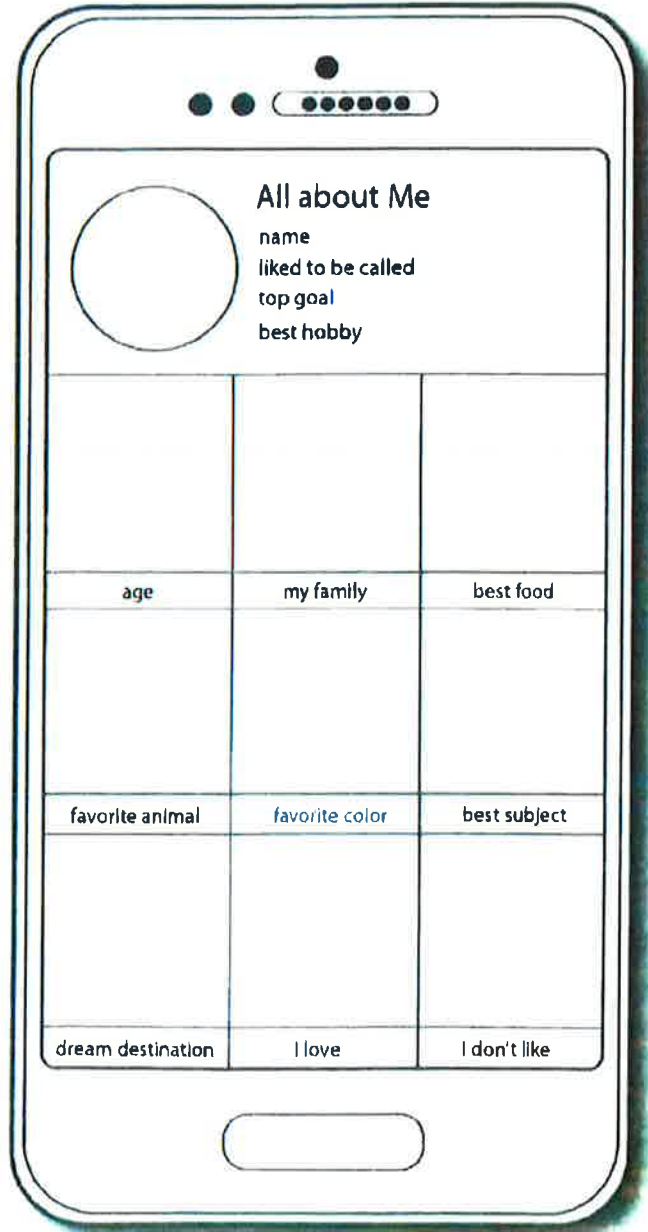
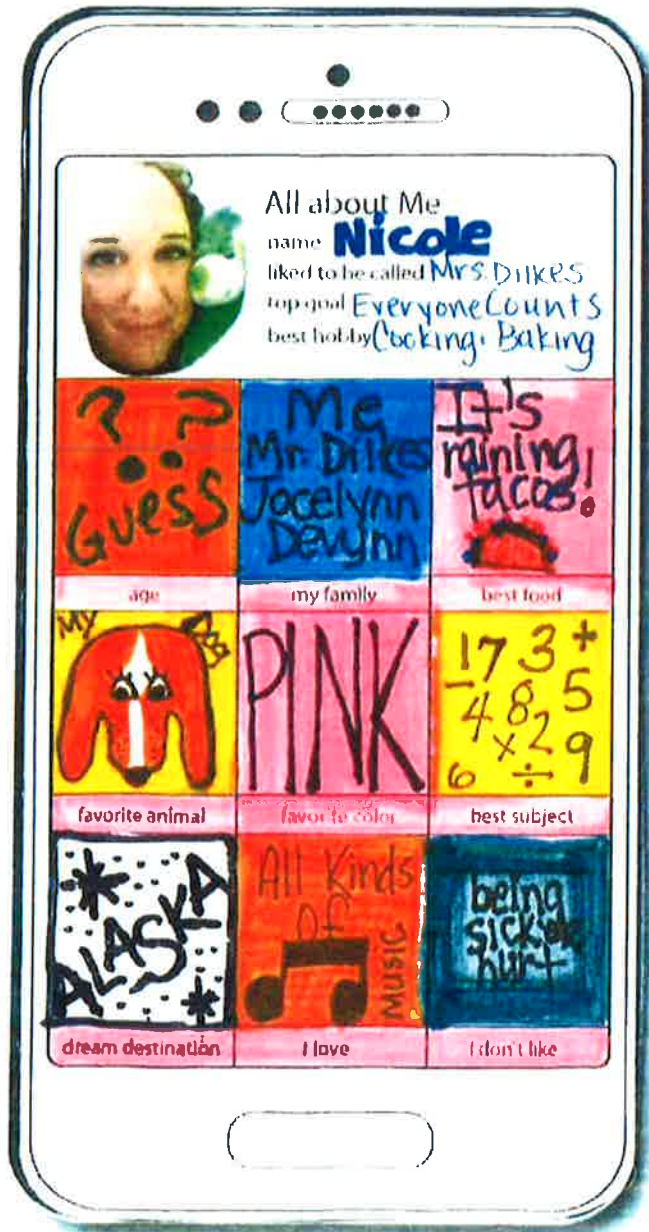
See you soon,



Nicole Dilkes

# All About Me 'Art-Phone'

## Back To School Activity



Your turn  
decorate, cut it out,  
bring or send it to  
school! ♥