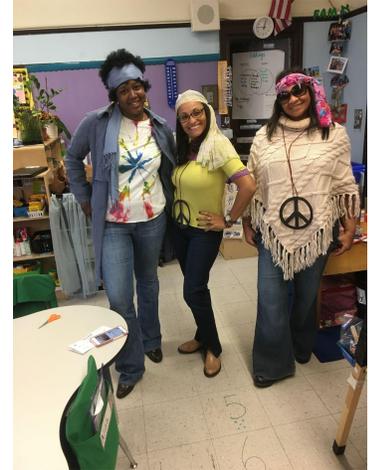


# MEET THE TEACHERS IN ROOM 102

August 29, 2021

Dear Family,

Hello! My name is Isabel Sorice and I am going to be your child's K0/K1 teacher along with Ms. Davis and Mrs. Mendes. We have been a teacher-team for over 10 years and we are committed to making your child's educational experience fun and engaging! We are looking forward to meeting you and your child on **Monday, September 13, 2021.**



We would like to take this time to welcome our old and new friends to the Mason Pilot School. It was a busy and fun summer and we are looking forward to a fabulous fall, especially with your child in our class. I think that some of the children (and parents) are a bit nervous about the first week of K0/K1. Honestly, I am too. I've been teaching for 20 years, and still have butterflies when I walk into the classroom on the first day of school. I can assure you that Ms. Davis, Mrs. Mendes and I will create an environment where your child will feel safe, happy and successful. Our goal is for your child to thrive socially, emotionally, and academically in all areas of their learning exploration .

We really hope your child is excited about beginning the school year...all of the anxieties about the "newness" will soon disappear and we will all be having such a great time as we start learning our routines and making friends to enjoy throughout the year. I am sure you have many questions about your child's K0/K1 year, so I hope this newsletter will answer many of them. If I do not answer all of your questions, please feel free to contact me. My email address is [irodrigues@bostonpublicschools.org](mailto:irodrigues@bostonpublicschools.org) or you can call ( school ) **617-635-8405** ( cell ) **617-680-3267**.

We are looking forward to building a strong partnership with you!



## What to Bring to School:



A student handbook will be sent home with your child. Please fill out and sign all the necessary documents and return to school ASAP. **Also, if you are planning on volunteering in the classroom, and/or chaperone a field trip a Cori form must be filled out (please see Ms. Hogan—the secretary).**

Please return the Pre-K Questionnaire sheet on the first day of school or at your earliest convenience).

Please provide an extra change of clothes (pants, shirt, socks and underwear) with your child's name on each piece of clothing. Due to limited space please use a small plastic bag to hold their belongings.

**Your child will need to bring a backpack to school every day to carry home papers/projects from school.** The backpack should be big enough to fit a large folder. Please check the contents of this backpack daily! **I will give each child a folder to keep any papers that we may have completed in school, as well as any important notes that come from the office or me.** You may also send any forms/paperwork this way and we will make sure all important information gets to the office or its designated place. Please contact me if you are unsure about something. **This folder needs to be sent back to school every day. Please empty the folder daily.**

## Snack Time:



**We are a peanut free classroom.**

We will have snacks daily. Please provide a healthy snack—no candy or gummy treats or sugary drinks or soda. **No glass containers.**

**On Fridays** I like to reward the students with popsicles for appropriate behavior, kindness towards each other, friendship, good listening and

following classroom/school rules. If you do not want your child to have a Popsicle please let me know.

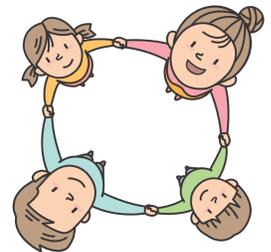


## Birthdays

Birthdays in K0/K1 are FUN! Some children like to celebrate their special day with a birthday snack. If you would like to send in a treat, please try to let me know in advance. Cupcakes, cookies, Jell-O, and fruits are always popular. Please do not send in a cake, as it is very difficult to cut and serve.

It is not mandatory to send in a treat for a birthday. If your child has a summer birthday and you would still like to celebrate sometime during the school year, that is great too...just let me know when!

We are asking that **No soda be brought into the classroom or nut products!!!**



## Communication between home and school

I am excited for our “team approach” concerning your child’s education. We all have the same goal – for your child to be happy, challenged, comfortable, and safe at school. We need to work together in order for your child to reach maximum success. I am asking that you please review things we have learned at school on a daily basis. Have fun...read books daily, play word games, review letters/sounds, numbers, etc. I will be sending home some ideas for you throughout the year. We will have homework occasionally. It is your child’s homework. You will need to help your child, but encourage your child to do the majority of the work. They will tell you everything that we are working on in school.

## Safety



**For your child's safety and well being, please let the school know of any change in his/her schedule to go home.** If your child goes to a babysitter, please let me know what days this occurs. If an older sibling walks home with your child, I also need to know this to eliminate any confusion and to keep every child safe.

Together we will make this an excellent school experience for your child!!!!



## Community Wish List:

If you would like to purchase any of the following items that we will use throughout the school year, please feel free to do so. However, please do not feel obligated. **Clorox/Lysol wipes, Dry Erase markers, glue sticks, Ziploc bags (small or large), Play-doh (homemade kind is fine too).** Thank you in advance!

We are excited to start the school year in-person even if we have to wear our masks!



Kind Regards,  
Mrs. Sorice & Ms. Davis & Mrs. Mendes

