Dear Parents and Guardians,

 Your child will be our Star of the Week next week. This is a fun activity that is also a part of our Social Studies and Language Arts curriculum.

 During the week, your child will have an opportunity to share a ***small poster*** (no larger than 12 inches by 18 inches) of photos, and favorite things. Please help your child create a poster with photos of family, special events they have participated in, and things they like (they can cut out pictures and glue them). If you do not wish to create a poster, please let me know and I will send home a pre-printed photo page for your child and you to make, ***or*** you could just choose 2 photos that we can share. The photos would be returned to you at the end of the week. Your child will also bring home a sharing bag. Have them choose 1-2 items that fit in the bag and have special meaning to them. Please encourage them to choose *other than toys, if possible*. Ideas would be related to events they attended or participated in, mementos from vacations, things that represent their passions or interests, etc. They will share these with the class. Please have them be able to answer questions about the items such as, where did you get it, why is it special to you, etc. They may also bring their favorite picture book ***on Wednesday*** of their week to read to the class after lunch. Please have them practice the read aloud at home.

 If you have the availability to come in, we have reserved a 20 minute time period ***on Fridays from 12:20-12:40*** for a family visit. You can come in and play a game, read a book, or showcase a special talent you or your child may have. Please contact me as soon as possible if you would like an opportunity to come in. It is important that I know what you plan to do with the time so that the activity will be able to be completed within the time allotted per family. Please do NOT bring any food or goodie bags to give out as they are not allowed.

 Please contact me if you have any questions. We’re looking forward to learning all about your child during his or her special week!

 Thanks,

 Mrs. Harle