

Dear Friend,

Hello and welcome to Kindergarten! My name is Mrs. Omtvedt and I am very excited that I get to be your teacher this year! Kindergarten is going to be a great adventure for all of us. We will have a great year full of learning, love, and fun. I can't wait to get to know all about you and all of your new classmates, and so before school begins here is a little bit about me:

I was born and raised in a small town called Harlan, Iowa. After growing up, I attended the University of Northern Iowa where I learned to be an elementary and early childhood teacher. This will be my fourth year teaching Kindergarten and I can't wait to get the year started! Before teaching at Sacred Heart School, I taught ECFE classes and Kinder prep for Waseca Public Schools for nine years. In Kinder prep I taught students how to be ready for Kindergarten, so moving onto Kindergarten myself was a natural step for me. The past three years in Kindergarten at Sacred Heart have been wonderful!

My husband's name is Aaron. His position as a Funeral Director at Dennis Funeral Homes is what brought us to Waseca over thirteen years ago. We have come to love Waseca and have found great support and community here for our family. We have two growing blonde daughters: Ava is thirteen and Stella is ten. They keep us very busy but always smiling. When I have extra time in my day I enjoy hiking, biking, baking cookies, watching movies, reading funny books, and sitting around campfires.

> <u>Things I Love:</u> Color: White Season: Summer Food: Ice cream Author: Mo Willams Game: Skip-Bo

To Moms, Dads, and Caregivers:

It is my belief that at this young age all children should learn to love and enjoy school. It is my goal to create a supportive, safe, and joyful environment while your child is with me each day. As a parent, you are your child's first and most important teacher and I look forward to cooperating with you on your child's educational team. If you have any questions or concerns throughout the year, please let me know. I hope to see you and your child at the Sacred Heart Open House on Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup>. It will give us time to meet each other before the school year begins.

I am so glad I get to share this year with you and your family! See you soon!

Mrs. Omtvedt

