Dear Family Member:

This week our class will be focusing on ways in which friends get along with each other. Children will be reading stories about how friends share, take turns, and resolve conflicts, or problems, with one another.

Here are some resources you can use with your child to help reinforce the skills we will be practicing.

**Student Learning Goals**

Have your child put a check next to the **learning goals** he or she completes.

**Word Workout**

- **Vocabulary:** *friend, problem* Have your child talk about ways he or she solves a problem with a friend. Encourage your child to act out with you a solution to a problem he or she has experienced with a friend.

- **My Words to Know**

  **High-Frequency Word:** *the* Have your child find the word *the* in the title of a favorite book. Then ask your child to write the word and use it in a sentence.

  **Category Words:** *feeling words* Draw happy and sad faces on index cards. Ask questions and invite your child to hold up a feeling card that answers each question. Ask different questions, such as, *How would you feel if your lunch fell on the cafeteria floor?* Then draw more faces to show other feelings and make up questions to go with them.

  **Phonics:** *m* Write words that begin or end with *m* on sticky notes. Have your child circle the *m* in each word, then find objects that begin/end with *m* and place a sticky note on them.

**Comprehension: Key Details**

Read the story. Then have your child tell what detail in each picture shows how Pam and Sam are friends.
Sesame Time
Let’s Explore Together: Making New Friends

Your child is getting to know many new friends in our classroom and at school. Let’s share ideas about ways we can ask new friends to play.

"Come Play with Me"

Kids explore different ways to include others and how to work and play with different classmates. Share ideas and sing together with this video.

Friends…
• Like to do things together.
• Care about each other.
• Talk and listen to each other.

What does being a friend mean to you?

Sending Kind Thoughts

Use the power of imagination to express care for others. Let’s close our eyes and take three belly breaths. Think of someone you care about. What kind words would you like to say to that person? Say them quietly in your mind. Take one more breath in and slowly let it out.
What Are the Details?

Let’s read this story together. Then you can tell me what detail in each picture shows how Pam and Sam are friends.

Pam and Sam are friends.

They build a sand castle.

They take turns on the swing.

They share a snack.