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Dear Transitional Kindergarten Parents,

I would like to introduce myself to you. My Name is Mrs. Dill and I am excited to announce to you that I will be your child's transitional kindergarten teacher. I am looking forward to meeting you and your "little one". Sacred Heart School is a wonderful little school, filled with caring people and students.

This will be a new beginning for your "little one" and somewhat still a new beginning for me as well. This coming year will be my second year here at Sacred Heart School.

I have taught 30 years in the Salinas City School District and most of those years have been teaching kindergarten children. Kindergarten is truly a wonderful little world to live and work in and I know that transitional kindergarten (TK), will also be a great little world. I am so happy to be a part of this wonderful little school.

In transitional kindergarten, we will do A LOT of "hands on learning" and creative play to help prepare for the following year in kindergarten. In simple terms, we will experience and learn our academics through singing, dancing, eating, baking & cooking, drawing, and writing. Along with book knowledge we will also work on socialization and how to be a friend and have a friend. Math, science, literature, phonics, social studies, writing, art, reading strategies, and religion will be introduced to your child.

To help make a smoother transition into TK for your child, I would encourage you to work on a few items over the summer. These items of importance would be: 1. Read to your child daily. 2. Play board games together. 3. Work on naming of the letters of the alphabet. 4. Help your child practice the writing of his/her name. This little school time over the summer will help build confidence and independence. A confident learner is an independent learner and independent learner is a happy learner reaching for the star!

Please join me in the classroom on Tuesday, August 9 from 1:30pm to 2:00pm for a "transitional kindergarten meet & greet." Please bring your supply list items on this day.

Have a wonderful summer and I look forward to meeting you and your "little one" in August. Please note that the NEW transitional kindergarten hours will be **8:00am to 12:00pm** for the 2016-17 school year.

Respectfully,  
*Mrs. Dill*