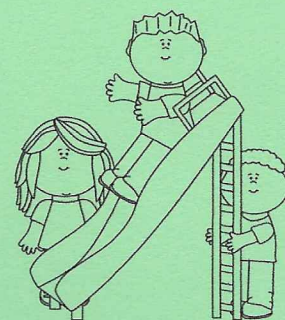


Dear Room 5 Student,

I hope you had a fantastic summer, and I can't wait to hear all about it. My name is Ms. Lesley, and I am so excited to be your teacher this year! We are going to have an AMAZING year together filled with new friends, new adventures and new discoveries.



I wanted to share a little bit about myself so that you can get to know me:

This will be my first year at Plato, but I have taught both Pre-K and kindergarten for many years. I have a master's degree in Early Childhood Education from University of Illinois at Chicago. I am happily married, and my husband and I have a 3 year old boy named Jordan. I really enjoy spending time outside and one of my favorite outdoor activities is swimming! Did you have a chance to go swimming this summer? When I am not outside playing, I love to cook! Do you like to cook as well? We will be reading recipes and cooking together a lot this year!

I also really love to read books and hope you do too! My favorite author is Leo Lionni. We will read lots of his books together and I know you will love them just as much as I do. One of his stories is about a chameleon. Do you know what a chameleon is? Did you know that chameleons can change colors to match what is around them? I wonder...if you could turn into any color, what color would you choose to be? I would like to be green so that I could spend all my time outside, playing in the grass.

I cannot wait to meet you and learn all about you and your favorite things! I would love it if you would bring a picture of your family to share with the class for the first day of school and we will keep it in our classroom all year long.

Would you like to know the names of all the students in our class? Here they are! We have Ava, Delia, Penelope, Mila, Jeselyn, Lilian, Lucien, Tommy, Luca, and Gehrig! Some of our classmates were at Plato Academy last year and some will be new this year just like me!

I hope to see you on Tuesday August 21st (any time between 12-3) for Meet Your Teacher Day, and I look forward to a great school year with you and your family!

With love,
Ms. Lesley

