Kindergarten

Kindergarten has Computers once each week for 30 minutes. Our first year working with computers is fairly simple and involves a lot of repetition and practice using the mouse.

We work on opening a program - Word (the Big Blue W) and Paint (paint palette) and signing in with assistance to coding on code.org. There are no requirements to do Computer work.

Word

Students type their names and then go down a line, using 'Enter'. They then type the alphabet. Mr. Dean and I have begun showing them how to change the size of their letters and the font. Some will remember how to do these things; others may need assistance.

Paint

Paint may be free painting or may have a theme. Last week we used St. Patrick's Day - leprechauns, rainbows, shamrocks and pots of gold. If you have a Windows computer and do not see Paint, usually you can search for Paint and it will come up. If you are on a Mac, there are some free downloadable Paint-like programs.

Coding

We use code.org. The children like it. Students have individual logins. If your child wants to do coding, here are the basic instructions: On code.org website>sign in. Students enter the website by entering a 6 letter code on the right side (Ks do not have usernames and passwords). The class code is JSYMWY. This takes you to a page with the students' names. Click the name. Each student has a character that is clicked and the sign in button is clicked. Most students remember their character. (If your child does not let me know, I will give it to you.) In the course, students should go to the next available white circle to pick up where they left off. The progress is automatically saved.

Stay healthy and hope to see everyone back as soon as possible,

Melissa Nash