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Dear BKW Parents and Guardians,

August 1, 2022

We hope you are having a wonderful summer. It has been very enjoyable to see so many of our students here in the building in a relaxed, summer setting, participating in the Ready, Set, Go and our other enrichment programs with their friends.

Below you will find information to assist you in the preparations for the coming school year.

COMMUNICATION:

- BKW will be using a new communications platform called PARENT SQUARE as the primary mode of communication from the classroom, building, and district level to families and community members.
- Directions on how to create an account is located on the BKW website. It is important, in the event of an emergency, to have both a current cell phone and email address listed for the parent/guardian of each household.

START DATES:

- Students in grades 1-6 will begin school on **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7th**
- Kindergarten Orientation is Wednesday, Sept. 7th
 - Students ride to/from school with parents
 - Their first full day of school is on Thursday, Sept. 8th
- Pre-k Orientation is Thursday, September 8th
 - Students ride to/from school with parents
 - Their first full day of school will be Friday, Sept. 9th

FORMS:

- All students must have a completed Emergency Contact/Dismissal form on file in the main office.
- Please contact Melissa Cable, in the main office, if you are planning to drop off/pick up your child from school daily
- Free/reduced lunch forms should be filled out and returned to NERIC or the elementary main office by Monday, August 15th [Attention: Lateef Clark]

PTA WELCOME BACK NIGHT:

- All students in grades 1-6 are invited to drop off school supplies to their classroom on **Thursday, September 1st** between 5:00 – 7:00 pm
- 6th graders will receive their schedule and locker assignments that evening.
- Pre-K and Kindergarten students are welcome to come see their rooms but should bring their supplies with them to orientation.

CLASSROOM ASSIGNMENTS:

- Student/teacher assignments were mailed home on Monday, August 1, 2022.

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BULLDOG CLUB ASSIGNMENTS:

- If you registered your child for our Bulldog Club afterschool program in June the acceptance letter is also included in this packet with their assigned participation days.
- Please note, to accommodate the large number of families requesting a spot, we have limited the number of days each student may attend. We apologize for any inconvenience this may create; however, our goal is to support as many students as possible throughout the year.
- Any additional students requesting a space in the program will be placed on a waiting list.

Should you have any questions regarding the information listed above, please contact the elementary main office at (518)872-2030.

Wishing you all an enjoyable remainder to your summer.

My best,

Mrs. Landry
Principal

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