



September 6, 2016

Dear Parents:

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you back for 2016-2017 school year and share how excited I am to begin this new chapter in Westmoreland's School history. This past year, our school watched with excitement as new walls, spaces, and ideas for our growing school blossomed, and we cannot wait to see our ideas come to fruition. Westmoreland is a very special place where we pride ourselves on our nurturing and warm family environment and I anticipate an exciting year ahead as we welcome new friends and families, collectively striving to foster a culture for learning. I feel extremely fortunate to be working with such an exceptional group of students, families, and staff members and look forward to enhancing our Westmoreland family and longstanding traditions this year!

As we approach September, our Back to School Night is scheduled for September 21st and will serve as an open night to view our new building and library. At this time, the PTO will also be sharing information to continue their effort in building strong parent partnerships to support our school and curricula.

I look forward to continuing our work together as we support the Westmoreland School Community. I hope you enjoy the final days of summer! Please see the attached flyer of important procedures for the upcoming school year.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Christy Dell'Aglio, Principal



School Times

School begins for students in grades 1-5 on Tuesday, September 6th at 8:35.

All specialized special education classes also begin on Tuesday, September 6th at 8:35.

School opens for our full day kindergarten program on Monday, September 12th.

Line Up Procedures

On your first day, please line up in the following locations where teachers will be waiting to meet their class.

Kindergarten: next to the cement turtle on the side of the building

Grades 1-3: rear black top, facing the playground

Grades 4-5: front black top, right of the main entrance, facing Parmelee.

At each location, you will find an orange cone indicating the teacher's grade and name. When the bell rings, teachers will take their class into the classrooms. Please help us reduce traffic congestion and confusion by saying goodbye to your child at the lineup area.

Fun Projects Ahead...

We have so many exciting school wide projects and ideas coming! Stay tuned for our Book Fair in late September, inspiring and fun assembly programs throughout the year, fun PTO events and fundraisers to support our school's mission, and our annual One School One Book Project in January.

Westmoreland Spirit Days!

At Westmoreland School, we love to showcase and celebrate our school pride! Research actually states that students with school spirit do more than show support for their school...they perform better academically, are more socially and civically engaged, and happier! These days demonstrate how we are connected to each other and to our school and display our daily commitment to learning. Please mark your calendars as **the first Friday of each month is a Westmoreland Spirit Day!** Our first Spirit Day will be adjusted due to the start of the school year and will be held on **Friday, September 9, 2016**. Please wear your Westmoreland Spirit Wear or blue and white colors on this day! The PTO will be selling spirit wear two times throughout the school year. Keep your eyes out for information regarding Spirit Wear sales!

Tips for a Great School Year

Remember each year is a fresh start to be the best you!

Listen to the Words of Wisdom each day to start your morning on a positive note, reminding you that each one of us plays an important role in making our days at Westmoreland great!

Looking forward to seeing you soon!