



**FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK**

**Janice H. Tierney**

**TO: Franklin Families**  
**FROM: Janice Tierney**  
**DATE: September 2, 2018**  
**RE: WELCOME BACK!**

**We are ready and excited to launch the beginning of the 2018-2019 school year on Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at 8 AM. Each week I will be sending a "From the Principal's Desk" memo containing announcements, celebrations, acknowledgements and reminders. Please take a few minutes to review this important information and do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions, concerns or require additional information.**

***WELCOME***  
***2018-2019 School Year***

Please review the important information below. Staff will be available to assist and guide you as we establish shifts in the traditional lineup and dismissal locations.

✓ **CHANGE IN LINE UP/PICK UP LOCATIONS:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade: Lineup and dismissal will be outside, in front of the school by the main entrance door, on the sidewalk. Look for teacher signs to indicate line locations. We will enter the school with the rest of our upper grade classmates weather permitting.

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade – Lineup and dismissal are at the LIBRARY DOOR
  - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade – Lineup and dismissal are on the WARWICK SIDE of the building.
  - (Yes, this is a flip which has students entering the building closer to their classrooms)
  - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade – Lineup and dismissal are along the fence by the playground
    - (no change)
- ✓ Through the generosity of our families and coordination of our PTO, the new playground has been installed and is ready to greet our students on the first day of school.
- *You will notice caution tape around the playground for the first week of school.*
  - *This tape has been placed to afford Mrs. Burr the opportunity to instruct our students on the safe use of the new equipment.*
  - *The playground will open, during recess, beginning September 12.*

The playground is, of course, available for use after school daily under the supervision of families.

- ✓ Your child may come home and share a new morning announcement format including a “Kindness Statement.” Each week, a new kindness message will be included in our daily announcements which are read by our students. We are looking forward to celebrating kindness throughout the year in our school community and beyond.
- ✓ The first few days of school are filled with anxious anticipation....and lots of paperwork. Please be sure to check your student’s backpack daily. Although we continue to move toward a digital environment, we appreciate the completion and prompt return of all paperwork.
- ✓ SAVE THE DATE: Back to School Night, September 12, 2018. More information on the way including classroom visits that will begin at 7 PM with the general meeting concluding the evening.
- ✓ ...and finally, a heartfelt THANK YOU to everyone who has contributed to the successful launch of our new school year including, but not limited to, our PTO volunteers who have completed bulletin boards, planted mums, distributed school supply kits with the help of Franklin Alumni volunteers, and our staff – Mrs. Marta Napoles, Mr. Rodrigo, Mr. Charlie, and Mr. Adrian and our talented,

dedicated teaching staff. The building is sparkling and staff is ready to welcome you to the new school year.