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Dear Families:

Welcome to the new school year at Fabulous Forest Hill! I sincerely hope you are still enjoying the summer and finding time to relax with your family and friends. The first day of school is right around the corner! We look forward to greeting old friends and making new ones, using our minds for exciting thinking and learning, and opening our hearts to support and care for one another. Forest Hill is a great place to be each day. 2016-2017 will be a fantastic year as we continue to build a positive, safe, consistent, predictable school culture filled with Respect, Responsibility and Safety. Below please find pertinent information to help ensure a smooth start to our year.

Class Assignments:

Tentative classroom assignments will be posted in the front office window on **Tuesday, August 23rd at 5:00 PM. Please remember that these assignments remain tentative until enrollment stabilizes, a process that often takes a few weeks.** We do our best to minimize any changes, but must accommodate incoming students to our school. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation. **To find out your child's class assignment, you will need your child's Student ID number. The ID number can be found on the Pupil Information/Emergency Contact sheet enclosed with this letter, and on the address label of the envelope.**

School Schedule:

- **First day of school:** Wednesday, August 24th. This is a shortened day. Students will be dismissed at 1:25.
 - **Start time:**
 - **8:10** (All Students) *The warning bell rings at 8:07am and classrooms doors are opened.*
 - **Dismissal time Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays:**
 - **2:20 TK-3; 2:47 4th & 5th**
- **Every Wednesday is a shortened day.** It is during this time in the afternoon that the teachers receive additional educational training and plan detailed instruction to best meet the needs of your children in the classroom.
 - **Wednesday dismissal time:**
 - **1:25** for TK-5

Traffic Pattern:

The safety of our students is **VITAL** and your compliance with the following traffic and parking procedures is **imperative** to ensure the children's well being.

- **Circle in front of kindergarten yard:**
 - This is for drop off and pick up **ONLY**. Please pull all the way forward before letting the students out of the car. The lane closest to the curb is for drop off and pick up. The left lane is for exiting the area when necessary. **There is no parking in the circle. Parents, please stay in your car. In the morning, have the students ready with backpacks, etc. to step out quickly once you pull all the way forward.** During the morning and afternoon rush, make a **right turn only onto McCoy**. It is vital that cars carefully enter and exit this area.
- **Circle in front of office:**
 - This is front loop is for busses only. Cars are not permitted in this space.
- **Parking lot on the side of the kindergarten area:**

- This area is for parking only. Drive through to the parking area, park your car, and walk your child to class. ***This is not a pick up or drop off area.*** During the morning and afternoon rush, make a **right turn only onto McCoy.**
- **Disabled parking and red curbs:**
 - No parking in these areas at any time.
- **Crossing guards at corner of McCoy and Meta and McCoy and Neville:**
 - If you live close to the school, please walk your child to school. For those living farther away, park in the neighborhood and walk your child to class to help decrease the number of cars at the beginning and end of the school day.
- **St. Thomas of Canterbury Church:**
 - You may park here for a **very short time only** to walk your student to and from school.

Student/Parent Handbook:

This is now available on the school website, <http://foresthill.campbellusd.org/> under **Student Handbook**. Please take time to read it with your child as it contains important information about Forest Hill and our expectations.

Lunch:

Hot lunch is offered in the cafeteria. Full price is \$3.25; reduced price is 40 cents, and milk costs 50 cents. An application for free or reduced lunch is included in your first day packet (must be completed each year).

Dress Code:

We strictly enforce the dress code. Students need to dress respectfully for school and avoid flips flops, wheelie shoes, high heels, spaghetti straps, short shorts and skirts, and super baggy guys' pants.

First Day Packets:

The first day of school your child will receive a packet of information and key forms. Please fill these out promptly and return them to your student's teacher.

Friday Folders:

Clear communication between the school and home is crucial to the academic success of each student. Every Friday, we send home a white envelope, known as the Friday Folder, which includes important district, school, teacher, and PTA information. Please read this information carefully in order to familiarize yourself with school activities, opportunities, and educational practices. ***Sign and return the envelope to school on Monday morning.***

Falcon Features:

Every other week our school newsletter, Falcon Features, will be available online through email. Please use the following address to have the newsletter sent electronically <https://foresthill.campbellusd.org/newsletter/signup>

School Web Site:

Check out this site for important and interesting information.
<http://foresthill.campbellusd.org/>

PTA:

The PTA is a vital part of the Fabulous Forest Hill community! This dedicated group helps support our many programs. We invite you to join our PTA and be part of the action!

Back to School Night will be on **Thursday, September 1st beginning at 6:00**. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend this important night! Stay tuned for more specific information in the coming weeks.

Sincerely,

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