



Scotch Plains-Fanwood Public Schools
School One
Principal's Newsletter



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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE: It hardly seems possible that June is here and the 2019/2020 school year is rapidly coming to a close.

This is a year that will remain a memory in our minds forever. Never would we have anticipated such unprecedented times. However, teachers, parents and guardians embraced the concept of At Home Learning and became the pillar to keeping our students engaged and involved. Our students adopted the new concept and remained dedicated to being the best possible learner in these extraordinary times. We, as a community, jumped into action to support one another and I couldn't be prouder of everyone. It has not been easy, but together, we've pulled through.

With summer vacation quickly approaching, first and foremost please continue to support the emotional well-being of your child. Keep them smiling and happy and allow them to enjoy their summer as best you can. Shifting focus to academics, please encourage your children to read on a daily basis, or write and illustrate activities that they are experiencing, perhaps about a family trip or a special topic of interest. I cannot emphasize enough the importance of having your child read over the summer.

To help reinforce your children's math skills, encourage them to play computation games or structure problem-solving activities involving measurement, graphing, or multiple operations based upon their developmental readiness. The Everyday Mathematics on-line software program will also be available for students this summer.

In addition, all of School One wishes our fourth-grade students continued success as they move to the middle school. While many of their special events were not celebrated as planned, they are one of the only fourth grade classes that can say they have persevered in such trying times. No matter the circumstances they maintained engaged and committed to their teachers and School One. They are a terrific group of children who have worked diligently and contributed to our school in a variety of ways. We have witnessed their many achievements, and we have enjoyed and appreciated their unique personalities and qualities. It has been our pleasure to get to know each and every one of them.

Finally, please accept my best wishes for continued At Home Learning experiences in these final weeks of school. Notification of your child's classroom assignment will be mailed to your home towards the end of August. Have an enjoyable and safe summer!

PTA RECOGNITION: The entire staff would like to thank this year's officers, Executive Board, and all of you too numerous to name, for your hard work and dedication to the students and staff at School One. *Please join me in recognizing this year's PTA Officers: President—Debbie Fitzgerald; Vice President Services—Diann Kohler; Vice President Fundraising—Tracy Wright; Recording Secretary—Maggie Colville; Corresponding Secretary—Denise Salamanca; and Treasurer—Caren Dankin.* We are indeed fortunate to have had such a wonderful group of people involved in our school programs.

MOVING: Please notify the Main Office immediately if you are transferring out of School One over the summer. Families leaving School One are asked to complete a Student Transfer Verification Form. Please contact Mrs. O'Brien at cobrien@spfk12.org for a copy of the form.

SCHOOL CLOSING: The last day of school will be **Friday, June 19th**.

2020/2021 SCHOOL OPENING: The first day of school for students in the fall is scheduled for **Thursday, September 10th** and will be a full day session. The school lunch program will begin on Thursday, September 10th and the pre-k milk program on Monday, September 14th.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS: The school office will be closed on Thursday, July 2nd and Friday, July 3rd. Summer office hours will be from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.; with the office being closed for lunch each day from 12 to 1 p.m.

Have a wonderful summer!