

COMMACK UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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North Ridge Primary School

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the start of a new and exciting school year! This will be a wonderful year of students, parents and teachers working together to provide an outstanding educational program.

Our school day begins at 9:30a.m. on Tuesday, September 5, 2023 with dismissal at 3:45p.m. Our walker line begins at 3:25p.m. All students who are accompanied by an adult are invited to visit North Ridge on **Thursday, August 31** between 10:00 - Noon. This year teachers will be in the process of preparing their classrooms at the above-mentioned times. The PTA sponsored School Store will be open for the purchase of Spirit Wear only from 10:00 am - Noon. *Please note that the building will not be open to visitors in the afternoon, as we will be having staff development meetings.*

On the day of visitation, **August 31, 2023**, we will place on your child's desk a packet containing an Early Dismissal Card (yellow), name tag, (Kindergarten only) and other pertinent documents that must be returned to school on the **first day, September 5**. **If you have ordered School Supply Kits, your kit will be available in your classroom on visitation day.** Additionally, your child's teacher's welcome back letter will be posted on Google Classroom. In addition, if you need to drop off medication, please visit our school nurse, Maison Russell. She will be available on Visitation Day between 10:00 am and 12:00 pm. She can be reached at 631-912-2196.

Bus passes will be mailed home to all eligible students by the transportation department. If you have not received your bus pass, please call transportation at 631-912-2020. If you choose to opt out of busing, please notify the transportation department at the above number.

On Monday evening, **September 18, 2023**, we will hold our annual Open House. Further information for this event will be sent via *Backpack News*. That evening, you will meet your child's teacher and learn about your child's program for the school year. Please plan on attending. I also would like to encourage everyone to join our Parent Teacher Association and to become active in one or several of our committees. There are many opportunities for families to be involved in their child's education.

I know that this will be an enjoyable and rewarding year for all. In the meantime, I wish you all a relaxing last few days of summer. If you have any questions about your child's educational program, please feel free to contact your child's teacher. On behalf of the North Ridge faculty, we look forward to a happy, rewarding and productive school year at our "very fine place."

Please note that our Office will be closed from July 1 thru August 15.

Sincerely,
Katherine M. Rihm
Principal