

August 11, 2017

Dear Bridgewater Staff:

It is that time again! It won't be long until the students return once again to Bridgewater. I hope you are having a good summer. There are a few people that I would like to welcome to the Bridgewater family: Betsy Peterson-third grade teacher, Tiffany Ryan-third grade teacher, Jen Allison-kindergarten teacher, Gloria (Glo) Sterud-second grade long-term substitute teacher, Leah Driscoll-Special Education Teacher, Caitlin Bushey-Shared Special Education Teacher, Nadia Graese-Reading Corp, Bruce McWillimas-long-term substitute teacher for band, Jerry Johnson-long-term substitute teacher for media, Melody Leidall-Returning School Nurse, Ricky Wilmes-shared custodian, Leticia Arredondo-Special Education Due Process Clerk and Sara Pratt-Assistant Special Education Director.

Robin and Jennifer have been busy working diligently to get placement letters in the mail and supplies sorted for the beginning of the school year; their work is greatly appreciated! Jeff and his crew have the rooms cleaned and the building sparkling for the beginning of the year with the addition of the new roof and carpeting in the pink wing; they are incredible! A big thank you to the Literacy and Math Committees for all of their work over the summer planning for instruction.

In addition to this letter, Mary Hanson will be sending out information for Workshop Week via email. I will email class lists to you and will continue to send revisions as they take place. The Master Schedule and Conference Dates will also be sent. Please let me know if you have questions, or if you see any errors that can be corrected before school begins.

Many teachers have been busy over the summer attending professional development opportunities and working on details to make the school year go well for students. We have an outstanding staff at Bridgewater and together we continue to make great things happen for students every day! I am very proud to work with such a great group of educators! I can't wait to share MCA results with everyone!!

Our start and end times this year are 7:35 a.m. - 3:35 p.m. with the student day from 8:20 a.m. - 3:20 p.m. PLC meetings will be held on Wednesday mornings from 7:35 a.m.-8:35 a.m.

Ready, Set, Go Day will take place on Wednesday, August 30th. We will lay out all the plans during our staff meeting on Tuesday, August 29th. School pictures are scheduled for the same day as Ready, Set, Go Day on Wednesday, August 30th, and this information has been shared with parents. Staff pictures are taken the same day.

Take care and enjoy the rest of your summer!

Sincerely,

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Bridgewater Elementary Principal