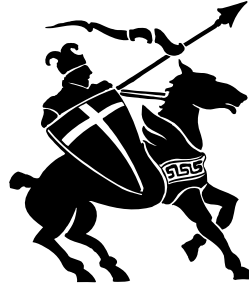


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*August, 2010*

*Dear Bell Families,*

*I am so happy to be welcoming you and your children back for the 2010-2011 school year. We have an exciting year planned, and can't wait to get started! Our first day of school will be Wednesday, September 8<sup>th</sup>. Our school hours are from 8:45 - 3:30. All children except Pre-Kindergarten students will be eligible to ride the school bus on Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>. If your child is going to be in Pre-Kindergarten, you will also receive a letter from Mrs. Palilonis asking you to accompany your child on Sept. 8. Then if they are at least 4 years old, they will be able to ride the bus beginning on September 9<sup>th</sup>.*

*The first thing you will notice is the new look for Bell; we have had extensive construction this summer. Although there are still a few details to be completed, we are very pleased with the new landscaping and traffic patterns outside, and the beautiful new entryway and refurbished classrooms inside.*

*We will be focusing on academic achievement, character education, and community building. We want to ensure the best education for all of our children, and our faculty and staff are dedicated to doing whatever it takes to help every child succeed. We need your help to form a partnership ensuring that all of our children work hard, try their best, and take pride in their learning. We will be discussing this in more depth at the Open House/ Curriculum Nights in September.*

*Our Open Houses/Curriculum Nights will be Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> for Grades PreK, K, 1, 2, and Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> for Grades 3, 4, and 5. Both begin at 6:30pm. Please come to hear about your child's expected learning goals for the year, expectations, and future activities.*

*New York State has issued a new testing schedule for Grades 3, 4, 5. The new schedule is attached. Please note these dates since it is important for all of our children to be present and do their best work.*

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*Our teachers have continued to learn all the available applications of their classroom Smart Boards, interactive, touch sensitive white boards, connected to computers and digital projectors. These Smart Boards are available in every classroom, Pre-K to Grade 5. This technology will provide exciting learning activities for your children. Please check your child's teacher's Blackboard site for homework and upcoming events.*

*We are very pleased to welcome Ms. Ashley Sczesny as a Special Education Consultant Teacher, Mrs. Kristen Sellitto to Fifth Grade, and Mr. Frank Dykeman as Night Custodian. Several of our people have changed roles, Mrs. Jennifer Segrue will be our Office Secretary, Mrs. Ann Bruet will return to teaching First Grade, Mrs. Lauren (Perozeni) Youngs is moving to Third Grade, and Mrs. Jodi VanGaasbeck and Mrs. Connie Fischer are teaming in Fourth Grade.*

*Breakfast is served starting at 8:30. Please remember, if you might qualify for free or reduced lunch (and breakfast), take advantage of this service. The children receive this service anonymously. The paper work will come home in the District Calendar, and should be returned to the office.*

*We have new personnel in our front office. It is extremely important that you put any changes in transportation in writing, and that your children give those notes to their teachers first thing in the morning. We write all bus passes before 11:00 am so teachers may pick them up in their mailboxes at lunch.*

*Please call if there is anything I can help you with at this time. I look forward to seeing you soon.*

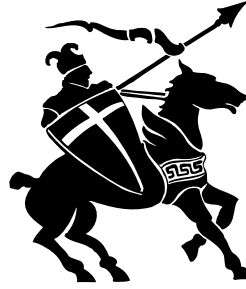
*Sincerely,*

*Frances Kennedy*

*Principal*

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## 2010-2011 New York State Assessment Schedule

Test	Administration Dates	Make-Up Dates
Grade 3-8 ELA	May 4 - May 6	May 5 - May 11
Grade 3-8 Math	May 11 - 13	May 12 - May 18
Grade 4 Science Performance Test	May 31 - June 3 (date will be announced)	NA
Grade 4 Science Written Test	June 6	June 7 - June 8

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