August 2016

Greetings Dousman Elementary Families,

Welcome to the 2016-2017 school year! I hope this Welcome Back letter finds you in the midst of a fantastic summer filled with memorable time spent with family and friends.

I am sure you can imagine how busy our teaching team has been getting ready for the new school year. Teachers have been preparing professionally by attending workshops, enrolling in classes and working in their classrooms. We have a creative, caring, and dedicated team that is committed to the success of ALL learners at Dousman.

Mr. Eberle and his staff are working hard cleaning and updating the building and grounds; and the PTO has completed the new playground. Dousman looks beautiful. I know you will be impressed!

Included in the central registration folder on the Dousman Elementary website, you will find important information to get you and your child ready for a successful year.

1. **Student/Parent Handbook:** Please review this important document so you and your child are ready for a successful year at Dousman. Please pay particular attention to the following sections.
   - Arrival and Dismissal (page 4)
   - Student Conduct (under Recess Rules) - specific to recess attire during cold weather (page 7)
   - Building Security Plan (page 8)
   - Birthday Treat Policy (page 11)
2. **Open House:** Mark your calendars for Tuesday, August 30 from 4-6 PM. Students will have a chance to meet their new teachers and drop off supplies.
3. **School Supply List:** Our staff would appreciate it if you would make every attempt to purchase the items on this list. If you need financial assistance purchasing anything, please contact me.
4. **Dousman PTO 2016 Fun Run Fundraiser Information:** Take a look at the important information on how you can support our PTO.

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- Learning Without Boundaries –
First Day of School
We are looking forward to the first day of school. You should receive bus information from Dousman Transport very soon. If you have any questions, please contact Dousman Transport at 965-2214.

- All 1st through 5th grade students begin school on Thursday, September 1
- Kindergarten and 4-K students will begin school on Tuesday, September 6
  - These first two days will allow for teachers to meet with parents and students before their school year begins. For more details on how to sign up for these meetings, please see information previously mailed to all 4-K and 5-K parents in the registration packet.

Similar to previous years, you may log onto the student/parent portal from Infinite Campus to see your child’s classroom teacher placement on or after August 23. The portal will open at 8:00 AM. The website for Infinite Campus is https://campus.kmsd.edu/campus/portal/kettlemoraine.jsp. There is also a link from our Dousman homepage. If you have questions about how to log on, please visit the above website.

We are all energized for a brand new year of learning, friendships, and memories. We thank you for entrusting us with your most prized possessions…… your children!

Warmest Wishes,

Jeremy Monday
Principal