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Look what is happening at Park Ave.!

It has been a very exciting and successful opening to our 2017 - 2018 school year at Park Ave! Students have developed their classroom Code of Cooperation (COC) and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs). Teaching and Learning are in full swing! And there is a focus on Growth Mindset, Perseverance and Empathy this year.

Arrival to School

Please remember that students may arrive to school at 8:10AM. However, if they are eating breakfast they may arrive at 8:00AM and go directly to breakfast.

Thank You!

Special Thanks to our families and friends who helped to make our Believe Kids fundraiser and our Harvest Fest a real success! Funds from these initiatives will help PTO support opportunities for our students including field trips, enrichment events and much more!

Our Kindness Garden

On 9/28/17 we celebrated International Day of PEACE!

Ask your child what he/she is going to do to continue to help Park Ave. be a peaceful community. Make sure to stop by our Kindness Garden where each child has painted a rock depicting a story and focusing on Kindness and Peace!

Home/School Communication

Your active participation and partnership is critical in your child's education. As you know, schools across our district do not hold the "traditional" parent/teacher conferences twice per year. Teachers hope to have **more communication** by reaching out to you in many different ways as shared in the individual letters sent from the teachers. PLEASE reach out to us as well. We encourage your active involvement and the times that the teachers and I are available to meet with you are very flexible. Mid-Trimester Reports go home Oct. 20th. Please contact your child's teacher if you would like the opportunity to discuss your child's progress.

Gardening!

Many hands make light work!

On **Saturday, 10/14/17 from 9:00AM – 12:00** we need adult volunteers to help beautify the garden in the front circle of our school. We need help weeding, raking & pruning.

Bring your gloves, a rake and other gardening tools if you would like to help!

Mr. Zwicker is excited to lead this volunteer group from **9:00 – 12:00!**

Wednesday Early Release

Teachers and Ed. Techs participate in professional development opportunities, that are connected to Auburn School Department's Vision 2020 on early release Wednesdays. Some of our September and October professional development sessions include, but are not limited to the following:

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Empower 3.0

Trauma and Poverty

De-escalation Strategies

Literacy and Math Expectations

Collaboration with Teachers & Ed. Techs. to customize learning for students

Annual Trainings: Family Education Rights & Privacy, Universal Precautions, Suicide Prevention Emergency Operations, Policies & Procedures etc.

Lucy Calkins Writing- Unpacking Writing Units, Structure of a mini lesson, Structure of the Writing Workshop, Understanding the rubrics to score student writing

Marzano's Focused Framework: Instructional Practices & unpacking the elements

PTO Meeting

Every parent is invited to participate in the Park Ave. PTO. Our next meeting is **Monday, 10/16/17 from 3:30 – 4:30 in the library.** Free babysitting is available.

Morning Sing Dates

Families & Friends are invited to join us **8:40 – 9:00AM** for singing and community building. **This year Morning Sing is the first Wednesday of each month.**

Mark Your Calendar: 10/4, 11/1, 12/6, 1/3, 2/7, 3/7, 4/4, 5/2, 6/6

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10/2/17	6 – 7PM Advocates For Children Parent Evening for grades K, 2,4
10/4	FULL Day Wednesday
10/6	NO SCHOOL- Teacher Workshop
10/9	NO SCHOOL- Columbus Day
10/11	FULL Day Wednesday
10/14	Gardening 9AM – 12:00. Volunteers needed!
10/16	PTO Meeting 3:30 – 4:30 in library
10/20	Mid-Trimester Reports go home
11/1	Morning Sing/Celebrating our Veterans/wear red, white & blue
11/7	School Pictures taken
11/8	FULL Day Wednesday
11/10	No School- Veteran's Day observed

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Thank you for our partnership in your child's education! OVER>>>>>>

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