



Highland Elementary School / 34 Western Ave / Westfield, MA 01085

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# Highland Happenings

September 2018



From the Principal

Dear Highland Families,

I am honored to welcome you to an exciting school year! I hope that all of our families had safe and enjoyable summers. Highland will have some new faces along with many familiar ones, so we look forward to seeing you all soon!

Please note students have a half day on Friday, September 28th and dismissal will be at 12:15 PM. On October 1st, Highland students will be presenting at the School Committee meeting about how they are using technology to deepen their learning and understanding. Tune in at 7:00 PM to watch or come to City Hall to see the presentation in person! Also, our Open House will be on Thursday, October 4th from 6-7:30 PM.

As always, thank you for all that you do to help your child be ready and willing to learn at Highland Elementary School. Don't hesitate to call the school at 413-572-6428 with any questions.

Thank you for sharing your child with us,

***Mary Claire Manning***

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2	3	4 -Welcome back, students!	5 -K Orientation, 10-11 & 1:30-2:30	6	7 -PAWS Assembly, 1:45-2:15	8
9	10 -1st Day of Kindergarten!	11	12 -PTO Meeting, 6:30	13	14	15
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23	24	25	26	27	28 -½ Day for Students / ERSD PM -PTO Family Picnic, 5-7	29
30	1 -Highland presents at School Committee -Start of PTO Fall Fundraiser	2	3	4 -Open House, 6-7:30 PM	5	

## Student Arrival and Dismissal: Updates for 2018-2019

- School opens for students at 9:00 AM, which is when staff is available to supervise student arrival. Attendance will be taken in classrooms at 9:15. Please plan your morning routine so that students are arriving between 9:00 - 9:15 AM.
- Dismissal for students will begin at 3:15 PM. This includes walkers and car pick-ups. Buses will begin to load at 3:15 PM and all students should be on their way home by 3:30 PM. Please be patient the first few days as drivers become accustomed to new groups of students and new routes.
- If your child will be a car drop off and pick up, please complete the form that went home over the summer so we can have a name plate made for your front dashboard. If you need another one, please call Lisa at the front desk at 572-6428.

## PTO News

- Welcome back new and returning Highland Families!
- Our first PTO meeting is on Wednesday, September 12 at 6:30. All are welcome!
- Mark the date: PTO is hosting a family picnic on Friday, September 28. See you then!
- Information on our Fall Fundraiser (cookies and pies) will be coming home soon!