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Dear School No. 5 Families,

Within a few short weeks, we will be opening our doors for the 2017-2018 school year! I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome everyone, especially our new families, to our School No. 5 community!

There has been a lot of activity on our school grounds this summer with the construction of our new roof being our biggest project! In addition, we have a newly renovated boys' bathroom, freshly painted hallways, and lockers for our fifth and sixth graders to name a few of the changes. Many of our teachers have been working under the guidance of our supervisors to enhance our curriculum and align our units to the standards set by the state of New Jersey. Additionally we will be incorporating new math materials and new science materials in grades one through six, as well as new language arts materials in grades four through six. We are all excited and confident in our new programs! Our teachers and I will talk more about these programs at our Back-to-School night on September 14th. But before that, here are a few reminders about our opening days:

- **September 7th** is Opening Day for Grades one through six. Students will line up in the gated area of our back lot. Bell rings at 8:30!
- **September 8th** is PreK Orientation. AM session begins at 9:30 in the gym and PM begins at 1:30 in the gym.
- **September 11th** is Opening Day for our prekindergarten. Students will line up by the fence in front of the guard booth (there will be cones with teachers' names posted on them as well as teachers and aides to assist). Our day begins at 9:00.

As we begin our new academic year I encourage and urge you to be an active participant in your child's education. During the course of the school year, I will share ideas, resources, and announcements through various venues. Here are a few ways to connect to School 5 right away!

- Follow School No. 5 on **Twitter!** All you have to do is create a Twitter account (if you do not have one already) and "follow" us: **@CPPSNo5**. It's that easy! There I will post the wonderful learning experiences going on in School No. 5 as well as some interesting ideas and tips for enhancing your child's learning experiences at home.
- Friend us on Facebook! Our school page is: **Cliffside Park #5 Elementary School**.

Follow us on Twitter: @CPPSNo5

- Receive text messages through our **REMIND** text messaging system! Send a text to: **81010** and put the following in the message: **@school5fa**. Hit send and you are all signed up!
- We will also have information and a current calendar posted on the School 5 page of our district site: www.cliffsidepark.edu.

Please enjoy the rest of the summer! Relax, have fun, and share a story with your child every day! I will see you in September!

Warm regards,

Dana M. Martinotti
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