






June 14, 2013

Dear Parents/Guardians:

It's hard to believe that we're coming to the last week of school. Between Super Storm Sandy, the blizzard, losing our February vacation and having to cancel our Beach Day for the first time ever, this year will be remembered as a year of firsts. But let's not forget all of the amazing things that happened this year including ending the year with members of the cast of Matilda performing for Southdown students and staff. It just doesn't get any better than that!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your support this year as we transitioned to the Common Core and looked to our parents to take on a bigger role than ever before as partners in our children's education. Our students continuously met the rigorous academic challenges and learned the importance of being able to turn a disappointment into an opportunity.

As a reminder, the schedule for the last week of school is as follows:

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|  Monday, June 17 <sup>th</sup>      | Regular School Hours, The Puppet Company for AM K & 2nd   |
|  Tuesday, June 18 <sup>th</sup>     | Regular School Hours, Moving Up Ceremony for 4 <sup>th</sup><br>Matilda Performance for PM K & Students   |
|  Wednesday, June 19 <sup>th</sup> | Regular School Hours  |
|  Thursday, June 20 <sup>th</sup>  | Early Dismissal at 12:40, No AM Kindergarten<br>PM Kindergarten in session at regular time<br>Breakfast will be available and lunch for PM Kindergartners |
|  Friday, June 21 <sup>st</sup>    | Early Dismissal at 12:40, No PM Kindergarten<br>AM Kindergarten in session<br>Breakfast will be available   |

Please know that teacher and class assignments will not be on the report cards this year. They will be mailed home to students in early July.

On behalf of the entire school faculty and staff, we wish our 4<sup>th</sup> graders continued success and all of our Southdown families a happy and fun-filled summer vacation!

Sincerely

*Michelle Marino*

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