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Dear Parents,

I wanted to reach out to wish you all a wonderful, restful and safe summer season. We have had quite a year! This last month of school has been very exciting. All grade levels attended engaging, educational and fun field trips and successfully ended their school year. The growth in our students was incredible! I look forward to sharing that growth with you at a parent coffee in September or October.

Yesterday, we celebrated our fifth grade class as they prepare to move on to middle school. They are a uniquely creative, kind and bright group of students who are moving on to new challenges. We will certainly miss them next year. This group of fifth graders started six years ago, the same year I started at Dwight. What an amazing experience it was to watch them grow from tiny kindergartners into students who are ready for middle school.



Today, we signed yearbooks, saw a slideshow that highlighted the year from start to finish, and then students came out to watch staff play kickball. They were cheering for us like it was the World Series! I was happy for the pointer that a few kickball experts gave me that landed me safe on first base!

Please enjoy summer, but also make time for reading and math. Each child received both reading and math packets. It's so important to practice over the summer. Make it fun! Book clubs with friends, the library, math games at home, playing with coins, baking or cooking with measuring cups and/or spoons are all excellent ways to practice skills in relevant, real-world ways!

I'll be here this summer. Send me an email if you'd like to chat or even if you're just coming to the playground! I'd love to see you.

Sincerely,

Mimi Maniscalco