

MILL HILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Mill Hill Elementary School Student,

Once again this has been a busy summer at Mill Hill Elementary School! The school is sparkling with its newly painted hallways and the APR will be painted as well. Of course, it shines extra bright due to the efforts of Mr. Piccolo, Mr. Weiss, and Mr. Avila. We will, of course, remember to S.O.A.R. and keep it that way!

I want you to know how excited I am for the school year to begin! I can't wait to see all of your smiling faces! This will continue to be a wonderful school where the teachers and staff make learning interesting, fun, and worthwhile. I hope that you have taken time to rest with your family before coming back to school because it won't be long before we're all together and working hard. I can hardly wait until you return!

There are two changes to the teaching staff at Mill Hill for this upcoming school year. We said goodbye to Mrs. Huff and wish her well in her retirement and Mrs. Hellthaler has joined the 4th grade team.

I have a bit of news is for our 5th graders. We have decided to departmentalize our 5th grade. This means that the 5th grade teacher assigned to you in IC will be your homeroom teacher *and* your Science/Social Studies teacher. The remaining subjects will be taught with each teacher teaching one subject. Mrs. Fulton will be teaching Reading, Mr. Shire will be teaching Math, and Mr. Zankel will be teaching Writing.

Though I worked at Mill Hill most of the summer, I also had a chance to relax with Mrs. Chase, my son Gavin, and my daughter Avery. We had time to relax and enjoy the summer with friends and family. We went to LBI for the first time and loved it! I tried stand-up paddle boarding for the first time and I'm hooked! We've used the remaining days mostly around Connecticut, and having a good ol' fashioned summer outside! Hopefully you had as enjoyable a time over the summer with your family and friends as I did.

Along with playing over the summer, I hope you found the time to participate in our Summer Reading and Math Program. Remember to share with your teacher how you did with completing your summer program on the first day of school and be sure to keep reading and writing (dictate or draw if you're in kindergarten)! I hope you wrote some stories and letters about what you've been doing this summer with your family and friends or about the places you've visited. Just like last year, you can also write me a letter if you wish and mail it to me here at school or bring it with you on the first day of school. I always enjoy hearing from you!

I can't wait to see you on **Thursday, September 3!**

Sincerely,

Mr. Chase

