IMPORTANT SAFETY NOTE:

PLEASE DO NOT USE YOUR CELL PHONE IN STOP, KISS, AND GO. ACCIDENTS HAVE ALMOST HAPPENED, YOUR CHILD’S SAFETY AND THE SAFETY OF OUR STAFF IS #1!

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Dear Sherman Community Members:

It is hard to believe but June is here and the 2013-2014 school year is winding down. I'd like to take this opportunity to say farewell to all the families that will be leaving Sherman. You have dedicated many years to our school and without you we would not have survived the many things that have taken place during your time with us. You have weathered September 11, Super Storm Sandy and Hurricane Irene and the tragedy at New Town together. We made it through two renovation projects; the demolition of the portable classroom, the rising of the annex and the addition to the front office. We celebrated our first walk-a-thon and raised funds to outfit our enter school with Smart boards. You helped us celebrate our 50 years in this building, a place that you and your children have called home. As you leave us for middle school, always remember that home is where the heart is and know that you will be my heart forever.

I have changes in staffing to announce. Here is the staffing line up for next year. Please note that it may change over the summer. Final decisions will be made on or about August 14.

**Kindergarten:**

Polly Putorti

Courtney Jamison

Bridget Woodfine

**First Grade:**

Deanna Kopchik

Becky Dowd

Kerry Abramson

Vacancy/floater

**Second Grade:**

Chris Carr

Kim Rossi

Sue Miller

Michelle Meaney  
**Third Grade:**

Deb Stebbins  
Diane Rossiter  
Stephanie Hayes

Vacancy/floater

**Fourth grade:**

Jen Mencio

Stephanie Gulash

Christine Paradis

**Fifth Grade:**

Dan Luciano

Ted Ostrowski

Karen Morse

Aristi Torres

Robyn Walters will be replacing Susan Knox, who is retiring, as our Math and Science Teacher. Christine Olsen will be replacing Karen Martin as our school social worker. Alice Hine and Jenifer Aikman are also retiring this year. We wish them well as they enter the next chapter in their lives. As you can see we do have 2 vacancies. At this time, we may be taking a teacher from another school as sections close in other buildings. I will keep you informed but know that until August 14, this list is not finalized. You will receive notification of your child's class placement the week of August 14th. Please check Infinite Campus for updated information during the summer. **Speaking of infinite Campus, end of year progress reports will only be available electronically on Infinite Campus at 1:40 on June 18th. If you require a printed copy, please inform your classroom teacher.**

We still have a few celebrations this year. Below are the important dates to remember for the end of year and beginning of next year:

End of Year Bash June 6th

Fifth Grade Promotion June 16th at 9:15

Early dismissal days Tuesday June 17th and Wednesday June 18th

In-coming kindergarten and new student orientation August 27th 8:30 -9:30

First day of school August 28th, full day for everyone

Back to School Open House Tuesday September 3rd 6:00 - 8:00

Thank you for another GREAT year! We have much to be thankful for and I truly appreciate all that you have done to make our school the special place that it is! Have a wonderful summer. Enjoy the time to relax, read, play, and talk with your children.

Until next time…happy days!

Warmly,

Eileen

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