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GARDEN CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Stratford Avenue School

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Dear Stratford Second Grade Parent,

We would like to welcome you and your student to Stratford Avenue School! We pride ourselves in creating active learning environments to enable each student the opportunity to grow as an individual and as a group member striving to achieve the optimal level of academic, social, and personal success. We encourage students to find their individual passions through a variety of engaging learning experiences.

The second-grade teachers, Mrs. Quezada, and I eagerly await the arrival of your students on September 1, 2022 for the first day of school. We look forward to the start of what is anticipated to be a great school year of inspiring young minds!

The following information will pertain to arrival and dismissal procedures for your second grader.

Arrival: September 1, 2022

Second grade students who are walkers should report to the blacktop near the playground to meet their teacher. You may enter the playground area from Kildare Road. In case of inclement weather, your second-grade walkers should report to the gymnasium to meet their teacher. You may enter the gym through the gym doors on Kildare Road. Second graders arriving on the school bus will be met by faculty members in the lobby then escorted to their second-grade teacher either on the blacktop or in the gym. Beginning the morning of September 7, 2022, students may enter the building through any of the following doors: Kildare Road, Stratford Avenue or Weyford Terrace. Please note, the entrance closest to the second-grade classrooms is Kildare Road.

Dismissal

Walkers will be dismissed from the Stratford Avenue doors. While facing Stratford, the second-grade classes will be dismissed to the left of the bus circle. If you have older children at Stratford, they will report to the classroom of their youngest sibling prior to dismissal so they may exit the building together for pick-up at one location.

Bus Transportation

Bus passes and bus schedules will be mailed to you by the end of this month from the Transportation Office. If you have not received your bus schedule by Monday, August 29, 2022, please call the Transportation Office at 516-478-1900. In addition to bus passes and schedules, second graders will receive a bus tag which should be attached to their backpack to ensure a smooth arrival.

Lunch

Lunch and recess for second grade students is from 11:26 a.m. - 12:16 p.m. Students will have 25 minutes for lunch followed by 25 minutes of recess time. Recess will be outside whenever possible. Please dress students appropriately for weather conditions.

Important Dates to Remember

September 29, 2022-

Back to School Night; 6:30 p.m.

October 13, 2022-

PTA meeting; 9:30 a.m.

The District's Code of Conduct is accessible on the website at www.gardencity.k12.ny.us

I hope you have had a wonderful summer and are looking forward to a great school year!

Sincerely,

Christopher Hartigan

Principal