Week of August 13-17, 2018

Good afternoon Sterchi families!  We had a great 1st week of school and we are looking forward to the week ahead.

Our theme for this year is “In a world where you can be anything, be kind.”

Mr. Harris and I enjoyed visiting classes to read and will continue that this week.

THANK YOU to The Church at Sterchi Hills for their donation of backpacks and school supplies for our students and for providing lunch for our teachers this week.

THANK YOU to Black Oak Heights Baptist Church for their encouragement and support for our staff and students.

THANK YOU to everyone who has returned their beginning of the year paperwork and fees. If you are still working on this, please return these papers to your child’s teachers as soon as possible.

It was great to see everyone at the Meet-n-Greet on Monday. We hope that you enjoyed meeting your teachers, re-connecting with friends, and enjoyed treats from Knox Dough and Kona Ice.

As we have previously communicated, our students have to pay for their breakfast and lunch this year.  Your child can choose to bring his/her own lunch.  You can also send lunch money each day, send a check to be deposited in your child’s lunch account, or put money in their lunch account online.  We sent free/reduced meal applications home with every student, if this is something you want to request for your child.  You can also complete a free/reduced meal application online at [https://www.knoxschools.org/Domain/1039](https://na01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http:%2F%2Ftrack.spe.schoolmessenger.com%2Ff%2Fa%2FxOQLeR7vV2xnmvJptdtMgw~~%2FAAAAAQA~%2FRgRdUb4_P0QnaHR0cHM6Ly93d3cua25veHNjaG9vbHMub3JnL0RvbWFpbi8xMDM5VwdzY2hvb2xtQgoAAL-KcFuPnxKwUhpseW5uLndoaXRlQGtub3hzY2hvb2xzLm9yZ1gEAAAAAQ~~&data=02%7C01%7C%7Cf0793f75ae2640b7e82808d60093dbf9%7Ca2c165ce3db24317b7428b26460ec108%7C0%7C0%7C636697032379594790&sdata=7S7EnbqxirrtFXV0OQ7qIZmHfOBUD48mK8VAPQIHWJc%3D&reserved=0)

We want to extend a friendly reminder that we start our school day promptly at 7:45am each morning.  We encourage parents to say their goodbyes in the car rider line so that students can get to their classrooms and get started with their day.  Our teachers need to focus their attention and efforts on students as they are arriving.  Unexpected and impromptu parent conferences delay the start of the school day for the entire class.  If you have questions for your child’s teacher, we encourage you to contact the teacher via phone or email and schedule a time to talk when the teacher is not responsible for students. We do know and understand that our kindergarten parents will want to walk their students in during these next two weeks of staggered days.

Our kindergarten parents had their parent meetings this past Wednesday.  THANK YOU to everyone who was able to attend.  This week, the 4th grade parent meeting is on Monday at 5:30, the 3rd grade parent meetings is on Thursday at 5:30, and the 5th grade parent meeting is on Thursday at 6:00.

We are going to support our Central Bobcats on Thursday with our Bobcat Spirit Day.  Wear your red and black to show your Bobcat spirit!

Remember, “in a world where you can be anything, be kind.”

See you soon!

~Lynn White

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***Mark your calendar:***

Monday, August 13         4th grade parent meeting @5:30

Thursday, August 16      Bobcat Spirit Day – wear red & black

                                                3rd grade parent meeting @5:30

                                                5th grade parent meeting @6:00

August 20                           2nd grade parent meetings @6:00

                                                            (Casteel & Morelock)

August 21                            1st grade parent meetings @6:00

                                                2nd grade parent meeting @6:00

                                                            (Sanders)

August 22                           Kindergarteners’ 1st full day of school

                                                            7:30   Breakfast for kindergarten parents

August 27                            PTA board meeting @3:00

August 31                            Sterchi Spirit Day – wear orange & white

September 3                      Labor Day – NO SCHOOL

September 6-26               Coupon Book campaign