

August 2019



Dear South Shore families,

As the 2019-2020 school year quickly approaches, it is my pleasure to welcome everyone back for another great year at South Shore. I am anxiously waiting the return of all of our pandas. I cannot wait to see their smiles, hear their laughter and have their joy fill our walls as we embark on many **new adventures** together. Our mission continues to engage and empower every child, cultivating caring, global citizens that model a culture of:

Positivity **R**eflection **I**nnovation **D**edication and **E**mpathy.

Additionally, we strive to challenge each student to grow academically, behaviorally, and socially as they **Make their Mark on the World**. As a new school year approaches, I am looking forward to working hand in hand with all of our families to ensure the very best for all children.

I am excited to share we have many new staff members. Please join me in welcoming them to our South Shore family.

Grade 2 Teacher- Ms. Christine Simoncic
Grade 3 Teacher- Ms. Katherine Roth
Grade 5 Teacher- Ms. Christine Coppage
Special Educator- Ms. Riley Hopkins
Media Teacher- Ms. Kerry Guglielmini
Music Teacher- Ms. Danielle Slater
PYP Coordinator- Ms. Erika Boltz
School PPW- D'Angelo Washington
School Psychologist- Maureen Clary
School Nurse- Amanda Wegrocki
Band Teacher- Nicholas Franck

I encourage each of you to join us for our "Sneak a Peek at Your Seat" on Thursday, August 29, 2019 between 1:30 PM-2:30 PM. This will give you an opportunity to tour the school, meet teachers and staff, and receive important first day information. Another opportunity to hear more about our school initiatives, your child's curriculum, and ways to support the PTA and our school, please join us at Back to School Night on September 10th at 6:30 PM. More information will be sent home the first week of school.

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To get in the back to school spirit, we have many exciting events leading up to the first day of school.

August 28th- Our Annual Bus Tour- Stops will be sent out via email, Twitter and posted on our website prior to the event.

August 29th- Sneak a Peek at Your Seat, Chalk the Walk, and Kona Ice

September 2nd- A special link will be sent to your inbox. Use this link for a special back to school story read by our school staff.

September 3rd- First day of school for all students in grades 1-5.

September 10th- Back to School Night at 6:30 PM

Be on the lookout for your 2019-2020 teacher assignment postcard. We will be mailing them out on August 22nd!

Once again, it is truly a special privilege to be a part of a community where families, staff, and students strive to build positive relationships that support academic and social growth. If you have any questions, please contact the school by phone 410-222-3865 or email- sshafran@aacps.org.

Best ,

Stacy Shafran

