

## Chapman Hills Elementary School Welcome to the 2016-2017 School Year'



Dear Parents,

I would like to welcome you back for the 2016-2017 school year. I hope your summer has gone well and you are excited for the beginning of the new school year. I anticipate an exciting year as we collectively strive to foster a culture of lifelong learners. I feel extremely fortunate to be working with such an exceptional group of students, families, and staff members. I want to welcome a few new staff members for the 2016-2017 school year: Kimberly Domer, RSP; Erin Jett, Jessica Jaime and Brianne Harrigan, teachers; Sara Hackett, School Psychologist; Brooke Lee, Speech and Language Therapist, Paula Larson, Special Education Instructional Assistant and a special welcome back to Ling-Ka Brown, RTI Coach.

I look forward to seeing our students in grades **1-6** and their families when class assignment cards are passed out on Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> from 12:00-3:00pm. PTA has arranged the "KONA ICE" truck to be out selling "Kona Ice" during this time. I am looking forward to seeing the new **kindergarten** families at the Kinder Orientation, from **11:00-12:00 on Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>.** 

If you are unable to pick your child's class placement card up on Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> please make sure that you go to the office on Wednesday, August 24<sup>th</sup> to pick up your students "class placement" before proceeding to the playground.

School begins on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>August 23, 2016</u> at 8:10 am. \*\*New this year\*\* Our first bell will ring at 8:05 am with the second bell at 8:10 am to signal the start of the school day—the 8:05 am bell is a reminder for students to get into their lines and for parents to exit the campus as the gates will be promptly closed at 8:10 am. Anyone who remains on campus after the 8:10 bell will need to exit through the office.

When you arrive on **August 24**, the first day of school, please proceed to the playground where teachers will be waiting to meet their class. Each teacher will have a sign with the room number of his or her class for easy identification. When the bell rings, teachers will take their class to the classroom. Please help us reduce traffic congestion and confusion by saying goodbye to your child at the gate or the lineup area on the playground. PTA will be hosting a welcome coffee underneath the "walkway" on the east side of the playground. Please come and meet new families and reconnect as we kick off another great school year.

Our PTA has worked diligently to prepare a welcome packet for our families. In an effort to reduce our impact on the environment, many of the resources have been posted on our website, <a href="http://www.orangeusd.org/chapman">http://www.orangeusd.org/chapman</a> hills/index.asp.

Please take a moment to review the items and make note of the events on our school calendar. Our "Google" school calendar can be downloaded to your favorite device for easy reference.

I look forward to continuing our work together to make Chapman Hills the wonderful school that it is and will continue to be. I hope you enjoy the final days of summer!

Warm Regards,

Jana Saenz Principal