

August 2010

Dear Sparke Families:

Welcome to another exciting year at J. Fred Sparke Elementary School. I hope you have been having a wonderful, relaxing summer. The teachers and I have been busy getting ready for the start of the new school year. We are so excited to welcome all the kindergarten and first grade students to Sparke this year.

We are enclosing a new handbook and a variety of other materials designed to help you prepare for the start of school. We hope you find these materials helpful and informative.

In the packet, you will find:

- A magnet with important phone numbers
- Handbook
- Photo permission letter
- Discipline Contract
- PTA & SEPTA membership
- BOOHOO/YAHOO Flyer
- Transportation letter
- Lunch Program Information

In a separate mailing, you will receive a name/class tag for each child to wear during the first two weeks of school. This will help us make sure that each child finds his/her class each morning. For students who take the bus, you will also receive a bus identification tag. Please attach this tag to your child's backpack using a plastic tie or string. This will help us get children onto the correct bus each afternoon.

You are invited to visit the school on September 2<sup>nd</sup>. Flyers were sent home with your child's class assignment. There will be two Kindergarten orientation sessions. In addition, the first grade teachers have invited their classes to school to drop off supplies and say hello to the teachers. Please check the flyers for each class's assigned time.

I look forward to a successful year filled with many exciting events and learning opportunities. Enjoy the rest of your summer; we'll see you on September 2<sup>nd</sup>!

Very truly yours,

Penny E. Fisher  
Principal