Dear Kindergarten Families,

School will be starting soon, and we are looking forward to welcoming all our Kindergarten students to Hutton Elementary. We can't wait to see you! This is an exciting time, but also one that takes some planning and preparation - both at school and at home.

Your child's first day will be a 30-minute, individual visit (with you!) on one of the following days:

- Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup> (Between 1:00-4:00 pm)
- Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> (Between 1:00-4:00 pm)
- Thursday, September 7<sup>th</sup> (Between 1:00-4:00 pm)
- Friday, September 8th (Between 9:00 am-12:00 pm)

During our visit, your child will find their coatroom space and chair, have their picture taken, and we'll talk about what we do at school.

When we have classes finalized later this week, we will email you your time slot. If there is a day/time that does not work for you, please let us know and we will do our best to accommodate.

The following is the Kindergarten schedule for the first 2 weeks of school:

## Week 1:

Tuesday Sept. 5 - Friday Sept. 8: Individual conferences (TBA)

## Week 2:

Mon. Sept. 11: 8:30 am - 12:00 pm Bring a fresh fruit/veggie snack and water bottle Tues. Sept. 12: 8:30 am - 1:00 pm Bring lunch and 1 fresh fruit/veggie snack Wed. Sept. 13: 8:30 am - 2:00 pm Bring lunch and 2 snacks (at least 1 fresh fruit/veggie!) Thurs. Sept. 14: 8:30 am - 3:20 pm (Full Day!) Bring lunch and 2 snacks (at least 1 fresh fruit/veggie!) \*water bottle will come home!

This schedule allows Kindergarten students to make a gradual entry to our full day program. Thursday, September 14 will be their first full day. Our regular school week will then be Monday to Thursday, 8:30 to 3:20 pm. On weeks that contain a holiday Monday or other statutory holiday, school is in session on Friday.

For your child's first day (30-minute visit) your child needs to bring:

\*Indoor shoes (no tie-laces, please)

\*Full change of clothes in a large ziplock bag

We look forward to spending this year with your child and feel very lucky to be their Kindergarten teachers. It's a special year, full of joy and wonder and amazing growth.

Ms. Amy Zorn and Ms. Alison Macmaster Hutton K/1 Teachers, 2023-2024