

SOUTH STREET SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Guardians and Super South Street Students,

On behalf of the South Street School faculty and staff, I'd like to be the first to welcome you to the 2025-2026 academic year! The opening of school is a very exciting time for us here at South Street School as we prepare to welcome the children back to school on **Tuesday, September 2, 2025**. We look forward to meeting our new kindergarten students and welcoming back our familiar little faces. Please note that as of this letter, class placements will be available through the Infinite Campus Parent Portal.

Our primary focus here at South Street School is the development of the whole child by providing a happy, safe, and inclusive learning environment for all students. In doing so, we believe that each child can become independent, confident learners who continue to strive to build on their leadership skills. These concepts will be introduced each month as we explore *The Leader in Me* framework and learn about the "7 Habits" of Happy Kids.

In addition to this letter, I've also included *South Street School Odds & Ends*. This document will provide you with important information and contact numbers to assist you throughout the school year. Please visit our School webpage at [ESM | South Street School](#) for additional important information regarding the opening of school, such as our ESM Parent/Student Handbook. The handbook can also be found [here](#) for your convenience.

The transition to school is an exciting experience and should be an enjoyable one. In order to help with those first day jitters, I suggest parents:

- Be positive when discussing the start of school with your child. Remind him/her of the enjoyable experiences you had in school.
- Establish a morning and afternoon routine with your child well in advance of school starting. This should include a healthy breakfast and a location for their backpack.
- READ with your child everyday... It is the best gift you can share with them!

We can't wait to get the boys and girls back into our buildings to begin this year. Please know that our faculty and staff will **always** strive to provide the best educational experiences to our children to support their social and academic development.

Regards,

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