



Dear Idlehurst Families,

August 15, 2022

It is that time of summer when reality begins to set in. While we want to make sure we ring out every precious moment of summer, by nature we start to process the fall. We begin to ask ourselves all the “what ifs.” Please remember we are all on this journey together and it is new to many of us. The Idlehurst TEAM is always here for you, to work through these possible challenges.

Miss Gove and I would like to welcome you all to the 2022-2023 school year. This summer, our dedicated staff spent hours of professional development on academic growth, by addressing COVID learning loss. We analyzed data related to student learning as horizontal grade-level teams; met as vertical teams to discuss the findings. After considering the data, we discussed best resources to deliver our mathematics and literacy curriculum; researched resources to assist with our struggling learners; and adjusted the schedule to maximize small group and individual instruction. We are so excited to get started!


This year, our school will continue to focus on a positive school climate and culture. The Universal Team is asking students to simply “Be their best...” With any challenge that is given, be the kindest person they can be, be the most respectful, responsible, and safe they can be” etc. We pride ourselves on creating a warm, kind, and nurturing community, where ALL staff and students feel welcomed and want to continue this path of greatness. We will strive for more meaningful and engaging connections with the community and families of all students. We value the opportunity to provide quality experiences and to foster relationships with families prior to their children entering kindergarten.

Having all the young minds of Somersworth in these four walls is an honor and privilege that Miss Gove, myself, and the staff of Idlehurst take seriously. Watching these tiny humans come in day one and how they exit three or four years later is the reason we are all here. We are here to help guide, inspire and encourage them to simply do their best.

Please come to our open house August 30th 4:00-5:00, to meet your teachers, explore the school and maybe grab an ice cream on your way out. Please do not hesitate to contact us at any time, (603) 692-2435 or refer to our newly designed and user-friendly website sau56.org. Stay tuned for the launch of our new Facebook page as well.

Sincerely,
Your Idlehurst Administrative Team


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