Hola - Bonjour - Ni Hao

Dear Murray Parents:

We hope all of you are safe and well, and we thank you so much for your patience during this transition period from planning for hybrid learning to now remote learning. We hope the information shared in this letter will assist you and your child prepare for quarter one of remote learning. Here are a few key school notes:

- The first day of school is **Tuesday, September 8, 2020.** We will start the school year off in Remote Learning.
- All teachers will use the Google Suite for Education:
  - **Google Classroom** is the one platform that houses all essential information for classes such as assignments, quizzes, etc.
  - **Google Meet** will be used in conjunction with Google Classroom to facilitate all direct instruction and learning opportunities. Throughout the day, Google Meet is the tool that students and teachers will use for all direct engagement, including whole group lessons, small group instruction and questions.
  - **Classroom Stream** is the social hub of Google Classroom and the first thing you see when opening a Google Classroom. Teachers can use the Stream to make announcements and post updates to students.
- We have a redesigned website, [https://www.murray.cps.edu/](https://www.murray.cps.edu/). On the website is a link to our all-new Murray Learning Hub. To access the hub, just click the Remote Learning tab on the website. Please note, the Murray Learning Hub will go live September 6th.
- Parents have the option to request a chromebook. Please click on this link to make a request.

To ensure that remote learning provides students a comparable instructional experience to that of in-person learning, our staff will be available to students during the entirety of the instructional day. To that end, our students will have a regular day of school instruction and classwork. The bell schedule will be from 8:45AM to 3:45PM. Daily attendance will be taken and monitored.

In preparation for the start of the school year, we have planned out four important days. Please save the date and time for our:
Welcome to Remote Learning Day on September 1st; session 1 is from 9:00AM to 12:45PM; session 2 (a repeat of session 1) is from 1:00PM – 3:45PM; a flyer will be emailed to parents with an introductory message from the teachers on August 31, 2020;

Kindergarten Orientation on September 2nd at 9:30AM;

New Parent Orientation (1st-7th) on September 2nd at 6:00PM;

Welcome back All Parent Meeting (Kg-8th) on September 3rd at 6:00PM;

By the end of this week, all of these dates will be posted on our website with the Google Meet links.

Please be safe and well.

Sincerely,

Greg Mason
Principal

Tiffanie Burton
Assistant Principal