



Rupert A. Nock Middle School

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Dear Parents and Students,

I would like to personally welcome all of our returning families and all new families to the Nock Middle School community. I hope you have had time to enjoy these beautiful summer days with your family and rejuvenate your spirit!

We have had a quiet summer at the Nock. Our custodians have worked hard for the past two months and our school is looking beautiful and is almost ready for children. Our library is still undergoing an additional renovation thanks to the generous support of the Newburyport Education Foundation. We anticipate this project will be completed by September 15th and that it will be a bright and beautiful hub of our building! We are looking forward to sharing this with you at our annual Open House which is scheduled for September 24th.

The first day of school for students will be on September 2nd and will be a full day of school. Student drop off can begin at 7:15 for a 7:30 start and students can report to the cafeteria where they will be supervised until they are released to go to their lockers. The Aspen portal is open for students to view homeroom teachers and a more detailed schedule will be given to them on the first day of school. Teachers will answer questions and assist students for several days as they get acclimated to their new teachers and classrooms.

We are pleased to introduce to you new staff members that have been hired this summer. Tara Ellis will be our new Special Education Team Facilitation Leader for both Nock and Molin. Familiar faces, Nancy Kreusser and Victoria Delacey, both former IA's, will be our new ELL and Special Education teachers respectively. Nancy Leahy, a consultant with us last year has been hired as a reading specialist and we also have a new IA and his name is Erik Pearson. We are looking forward to welcoming them to the Nock and supporting them as they become acclimated in their new jobs.

Here are a few dates that are coming up quickly in the next few weeks:

September 2 and 3 – full days for students

September 16 – School Photos for students

September 17 – Early release for students, 10:45 am

September 24 – Open House, 6 pm

We are looking forward to a great school year and can't wait for our students to return! Enjoy the last few days of summer.

Sincerely,

Beth