



Kent Primary School
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Dear Kent Primary School Families,

I hope that this letter finds you all well, relaxing and enjoying the summer with your friends and family. I am writing this letter to introduce myself as the new Principal of Kent Primary School. It is my sincere honor to become a member of this incredible school community, and I am looking forward to meeting each of you in person!

Carmel Central School District enjoys a successful history of academic and cultural excellence. The positive spirit of collaboration and the strength of this school community are glaringly evident. I've had the opportunity to meet many of the teachers, several parents, and even some of our students, and I sincerely couldn't have asked for a warmer welcome! Without a doubt, coming to work each day at Kent Primary School is going to be a truly rewarding experience, and I am excited for the school year to begin.

I bring twenty years of experience at both the primary and intermediate levels with me to KPS. I began my career in 1997 as a fifth-grade teacher where I taught for ten years. From there, I was fortunate to have moved to a second-grade position where I gained invaluable primary experience. After twelve years of service in the classroom, I was appointed as a mathematics and language arts Academic Intervention Specialist. In that capacity, I worked closely with struggling K-5 students and tailored my instruction to meet their individual needs. Finally, for the past four years, I have been serving as an Assistant Principal. I worked with teachers, students, and families to create a positive environment where the students' progress and improvement were at the heart of my goals. I pledge to continue my work at KPS with that same focus in mind.

During my first year, I will focus my energy on developing positive working relationships with all members of the KPS community. Positive, collaborative relationships will provide the solid foundation needed for the continued nurturance of a school environment where the students are put first. Finally, I will work closely with the teachers, administrators, and families to identify the students' strengths and needs in an effort to support programming and to meet the needs of all students.

Again, I look forward to meeting each of you in person. I intend to host an informal meet and greet toward the end of August for those of you able to attend. The date is tentatively set for August 22 from 5:00-6:30. More information will be communicated when the date is finalized. It will be a very simple evening where I will be able to briefly meet some of our students and parents. I don't intend to have any presentations, it will rather be an opportunity to shake hands, engage in quick conversations, and put some names with faces. If you are unable to attend, I will look forward to meeting you in the fall.

I am looking forward to a positive and productive year together. In the meantime, during these last few weeks of summer, I am planning to enjoy some summer beach fun with my wife and children. Before school begins in just a few short weeks, I hope that you are all able to take advantage of some quality time with your family as well. Be happy and be well!

Sincerely,

Daniel J. Brown, Principal
Kent Primary School