

Sprague School Wellesley Public Schools

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Dear Parent(s) and/or Guardian(s) of Incoming Kindergartners:

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to Sprague Elementary School and Wellesley Public Schools! The Sprague staff and I are eager and excited to have our new kindergarten students enter in September of 2021. The upcoming Kindergarten Orientation marks the first of many wonderful moments here at Sprague.

You are cordially invited to attend the Sprague <u>Kindergarten Orientation on Thursday, May 6, 2021 at 6:30 pm. This will be a virtual event.</u> In accordance with the Wellesley School Committee policy, the Wellesley Public Schools requires students entering kindergarten to be five years old on or before August 31, 2021.

During the Orientation, our goal is to officially welcome you to the Sprague community. During this time, as parent(s)/guardian(s), you will learn about a kindergartner's school day while outlining our curriculum and community expectations. The kindergarten teachers and I look forward to this first opportunity to welcome you. Please note that this virtual evening event is a parent-only event.

A second event planned for <u>Thursday</u>, <u>June 3</u>, <u>2021 from 8:45 am to 1:00 pm</u> (by appointment) is an event for the incoming kindergarteners. This second event is the required kindergarten screening mandated by the Massachusetts Legislature (Chapter 766) and the Federal Government (PL 94-142). The required screening is a brief assessment that is approximately thirty (30) minutes in length. The purpose of the screening is to identify children that may require further evaluation to best determine his/her learning needs. You will receive additional information about the screening during the Kindergarten Orientation evening.

On behalf of the Sprague staff, welcome to Sprague Elementary School! If there are any questions prior to the Orientation evening, please do not hesitate to contact me at (781)263-1965 or at petrowskyl@wellesleyps.org. Welcome!

Respectfully, Leigh A. Petrowsky Principal