



SALISBURY TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

Harry S Truman Elementary School

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Salisbury...Inspire, Think, Learn, Grow...Together!

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Welcome to the 2016-2017 school year! We look forward to the new school year and learning together as the HST community. Please read this Welcome Back letter carefully as it contains important information to ensure a successful start to the school year. If you have any questions, please contact the school office at 610-791-2800.

The theme this year at HST is “Keep Calm and Lead On.” We look forward to another year of leadership!

Please note the schedules listed below:

Thursday, August 18, 2016

Welcome Tour for Kindergarten and New Students of Truman Elementary.

- **Cancelled due to building construction**

Monday, August 29, 2016

Orientation Day for students in Kindergarten will begin at 8:45 a.m. with an early dismissal at 1:00 p.m.

Doors will open at 8:30 a.m.

Bus runs will begin on Orientation Day. A Truman Staff Member will be riding each bus and will greet your child as he or she enters the bus. A Truman Staff Member will also accompany the children on the ride home. Parents of Truman Kindergarten children will have the opportunity to meet with building staff and their child’s teacher during an information session from 8:50-10:15 a.m. in the Truman Gymnasium.

Tuesday, August 30, 2016

School is in session for students in Kindergarten through 5th grade.

The school day will be conducted each day from 8:45 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. It is most important that no child arrives to school before 8:30 a.m., as there is no adult supervision until that time. Doors close promptly at 8:45 a.m.

Friday, September 2, 2016 AND Monday, September 5, 2016

School is closed for Labor Day weekend.

Open House Evenings

These important evenings are for parents and guardians only.

Thursday, September 15, 2016, 7:00 p.m. Grades Three, Four and Five

Thursday, September 22, 2016, 7:00 p.m. Grades Kindergarten, One and Two

PTO Welcome Back Dinner Night

A Welcome Back Dinner and Dance Night will be held Friday, September 9, 2016, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the HST Cafeteria rain or shine. Enjoy dinner at 6:30 p.m. followed by dancing. Details from the PTO will follow.

Student Lunch Program

The price for a school lunch is \$2.60. The price for milk is \$0.75. We are continuing to use the mySchoolBucks system if you wish to prepay for lunches. Prepayment can be made by sending a check or cash to school or accessing the web <https://myschoolbucks.com>. If you have any questions concerning this program please contact Mrs. Denise Steiger, Food Service Director at 610-797-4107, ext. 2526.

The Leader in Me

We are in our fifth year of implementation of The Leader in Me. We will continue to celebrate student success at weekly leadership gatherings and special events throughout the year. These celebrations will be student centered as students recognize each other for using the Seven Habits and showing leadership.

Important Reminders

All birthday treats sent in must be non-edible. Students may bring in stickers, pencils, and other items to celebrate birthdays with classmates. Additionally, food sent in for classroom holiday parties must come from an approved list that will be available in the Student Handbook.

As we work to create student leaders we recognize the importance of student attendance at our school musicals. To support this, musical concerts will be held during the day at 2:00 p.m. Parents and family members are invited and encouraged to attend these special events. School age siblings will attend the dress rehearsal performance.

Please continue to check the school website and Salisbury Township Facebook (<http://www.stsd.org/facebook>) page for up-to-date information.

Everyone at HST is looking forward to a successful school year for your child. Please contact the school office at 610-791-2800 with any questions or concerns you may have.

Sincerely,

Zachary P. Brem
Principal