

July 12, 2010

Dear Kittredge School Families,

We hope that you are enjoying your summer to the fullest and that this letter finds you happy and healthy. We have been busy planning and preparing for a great school year and are looking forward to seeing everyone on September 1.

You will find that this mailing is full of information. You will also find this letter posted on our website [www.kittredge.org](http://www.kittredge.org) for your convenience. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to check on line or call the office, as we will be available Monday through Friday from 8:30-2:00 through July. We will also be checking email throughout August.

The first day of school is September 1. The School and the Kittredge Parents' Association will co-host a first day of school coffee in our backyard from 8:30 to 9:30. This coffee offers parents the opportunity to meet new parents, see old friends and learn a little about the upcoming school year. We hope that all parents will stop by to say hello. As an aside, we, the staff and faculty of Kittredge School, would like to thank the KPA for the wonderful teacher appreciation luncheon, as well as the enormous support the KPA provided throughout the year. It seems that each year the KPA becomes more vibrant and vital and we look forward to working together again.

Please remember that all Kittredge students should be reading this summer. Parents of our younger students should be reading to or with their children, while older students should be reading on their own. I would like to remind families whose children are entering our sixth, seventh and eighth grades that summer reading assignments are due to their teachers on or near the first day of school. Parents should monitor the status of their children's progress with the reading assignment throughout the summer, so that they will not be trying to complete it during the week before school starts. The summer reading assignments can be found on our website.

Enclosed in this mailing is the contract for our after school program.

- **Option #1 is the Extended Day Program**, which provides supervised activities before school beginning at 7:45, after school until 6:00pm, and from 7:45am-6:00pm on most school holidays. *Please note that Study Hall is a part of the Extended Day program.*
- **Option #2 is the Study Hall Program only**, which provides students the opportunity to work on their homework at school in a supervised classroom until 4:30.
- **Drop-Ins** to the after school program are accepted with a written note and payment of \$20.00 per day for regular dismissals, \$30.00 per day for noon dismissals and \$45.00 per day for holiday drop-ins.

If you know that your child will be using one of these programs, please return your signed contract with the first payment by August 24.

Also enclosed is an invitation to our Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup> picnic at 19th Avenue Playground in Golden Gate Park. The picnic will be from 10:00 until 1:00. We hope that all Kittredge School families will attend. Bring a dish to share, as designated on your invitation, and your appetite for some good food. Those of you brave (silly) enough for the annual egg toss may want to bring a towel.

The school calendar is in this mailing and now may be the best time to write the holidays and minimum days on your personal calendar. The Kittredge School calendar can also be found on our website, [www.kittredge.org](http://www.kittredge.org). By the way, Terry is busy keeping the website current and interesting, so please check it out!

Lifetouch photography will be here on Friday, September 3. They have informed us that their ordering procedures have been improved, and that parents now order pictures after their child has been photographed. It is now so simple that all you need to do is have your child ready to say "cheese" on the third day of school.

As the coach of the Kittredge School cross-country team, I am hoping that we get many runners out for our team known as the "Runnin' Gags". All interested fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grade students are invited to participate. We will have fun while we get into better shape. Runners may want to use summer vacation time to get in some practice runs with their parents!

Finally, if you know of a family whose child could benefit from the Kittredge School experience we would appreciate your letting them know that we do have space available in some classes (seventh grade especially) and that they should give us a call as soon as possible.

Please enjoy these days of summer and be ready for another great year at Kittredge. We hope to see all of our students returning well rested and ready to go. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to call us at school during our summer hours.

Sincerely,

Peter Lavaroni  
Principal

Trudy Young  
Business Officer