September 4, 2018

Dear Family/Families,

We would like to welcome you to a wonderful new school year as part of Team Avalanche. As your child enters sixth grade, it is an exciting time for the entire family. As teachers, we are eager to be part of this transition time in your family's lives. Attached is some additional information while this letter contains some general information.

First, the vocabulary books may be purchased for \$12.00. If the book is purchased, students are allowed to write in it. It is theirs to keep. By doing so, it does make it easier for the students during the course of the year. It is highly suggested that you purchase the book for your child.

Second, we wanted to share a few housekeeping rules. If your child will be riding on another bus after school, parents of both children need to send a signed note into the school for a bus pass. Emergency permits should be sent in for things such as doctor's appointments or vacations. These permits must be signed and may be found on the school's website for your convenience or in the main office. Additionally, the school policy for absences and homework is that if a student is out for a day, work will be given the day the student returns to school. If a student is out two or more days, please contact Mrs. Bortz in the guidance office to request homework at 610-351-5700 by 9:00 am. A formal homework request must come from the guidance office. Students have two days to complete work for each day absent. Additionally, Schoology is an excellent resource for you to check for homework and assignments.

Team Avalanche will be utilizing Schoology as the main communication between home and school. As the year progresses, we will be incorporating additional avenues to share information with the students and families. Our Remind texts are one example. Remind will not be used to remind families of every test. We plan to use it as a way to disperse important school or team information. We are requesting that Remind be used on parents' phones only. Please encourage your child to write daily in his/her agenda book. By utilizing the agenda book daily, your child will be taking steps to stay organized and to be on top of all homework, projects, and tests. Please take the time to check your child's agenda book!

Finally, you can follow us on Twitter: @MsLKadar and @MsKWindsor. We plan to share the work the team is producing during the year.

As always, thank you for all that you do and for your support. We are grateful for the opportunity to be your child's teachers this year. We are looking forward to an exciting school year.

Respectfully yours,

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