

## CYCLONE NEWS



Welcome back to school! We missed you!

Sept. 6, 2019

Dear Cilaire Families,

Welcome back! It was so wonderful having all of the students back and our classrooms so full of energy and excitement!

Thank you to our custodians for making our school shine bright and a warm welcome to our new staff: Mrs. Valerie Gerbracht - Educational Assistant, Ms. Michelle Janes – CYC, and Janet Mansbridge – Speech Pathologist. Thank you to all of our families for helping us get off to a positive start this first week. Thank you to our teachers for their dedication and tireless efforts in creating such beautiful and warm learning environments for our students.

Losing a division and a beloved teacher is not easy but we appreciate your support as we work through this transition together. We will miss Ms. Kanhoffen greatly and wish her well. Her next school will be fortunate to gain such a dedicated, loving and talented teacher. She is a Rising Star!



Thank you  
For making a  
difference in  
the lives of  
students

We ended off the week with our first Spirit Assembly. If you have yet to hear from your child about what we did, I encourage you to ask them about the book, *The Great Fuzz Frenzy*, the We Are...UNSELFIES or how we danced to Shakira's Waka Waka. Our hope is that the kids walked away from the assembly with a few takeaways –

1. What it means/what it takes to be part of a successful team.
2. Recognition that we're all on the same team - [#TEAMCILAIRE](#). Our team has to work together to make everyone feel safe and loved and encourage one another to be the best we can be!

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**2019-2020 Divisions** – Thank you for your patience and understanding over this first week. In our district there were many changes in enrollment, some schools saw increases and some decreases. As of 4:00pm today, we've been given the go ahead to move forward with our 8 divisions. Students will line up Monday in the same spot they have all this past week. After announcements, we plan to move into our 2019-2020 divisions. Please know that our staff has spent a great deal of time creating optimal, balanced learning environments. I encourage you to support your child's learning by reinforcing that:

- Each new year brings a new class, a new teacher, and a new learning opportunity.
- New classes mean new relationships, new friends, and new challenges.
- Blended or split classes are a reality in all school organizations and have far smaller impact on learning than the expertise of our staff in providing positive and appropriate learning experiences for their students.
- The staff at Cilaire work very hard to provide a safe, and caring learning environment where all students are challenged to be the best they can be!
- Being positive and working together makes a huge difference!

**School Supplies** – Please send all school supplies to school with your child on Monday

**Communication – CYCLONE NEWS** (formerly known as Weekly Update)

- Going forward, please watch for a weekly email from me every Friday with all the latest news and what you might need to know for the following week. Classroom specific information will come from individual teachers.

### The Week Ahead

Mon.9th- Bring School Supplies to school.  
Early Dismissal 1:22pm  
Tues. 10h –  
Wed. 11th – PAC meeting, 7pm. Please join us!  
Thurs. 12th – First full day Kindergarten  
Fri. 13th – Terry Fox Run, 1:30pm

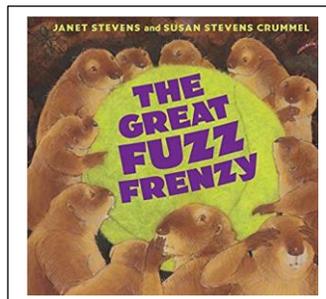
### Looking Ahead

Wed, 25th<sup>h</sup> – PAC BBQ and Open House, 6-7pm  
Fri. 27<sup>th</sup>. – PAC Hot lunch  
Spirit Assembly  
Mon. 30<sup>th</sup> – Orange Shirt Day

Once again, on behalf of the entire team at Cilaire, welcome back! We look forward to our new school year together!

Sincerely, Carie Wood

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