Dear W. Reily Brown Families,

Happy October to our school community. Fall has arrived, and we are excited about the cool, crisp seasonal weather.

It has been wonderful to see our Chorus, Eco Team, and Girls on the Run Team begin during the last weeks, and we can’t wait to see the addition of the Step Team, Student Lighthouse Team, and Safety Patrol soon.

Caesar Rodney School District’s Homecoming Parade will take place along Camden-Wyoming Avenue in Camden, DE, on October 14th, starting at 5:30 p.m. Come out and cheer for W. Reily Brown’s parade float.

We hope to see everyone in the building on the evening of October 27th for our Monster Math Madness and STEM event. Check out some incredible Halloween-themed decorations and take home some fun learning activities to do with your family.

As a reminder, students should arrive at school no earlier than 8:15 a.m. if they are eating breakfast and no earlier than 8:30 a.m. for students going directly to class. We appreciate your cooperation in keeping our students and campus safe!
**Nurse’s Corner**

Please do not send your child to school sick. If they have a temperature of 100 or higher, and/or have vomiting or diarrhea please keep your child home. Once they have cleared of the symptoms WITHOUT any medication over 24 hours, they may return. Thank you for adhering to Delaware school protocol.

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**Monster Math Madness**

We hope you can join us for our Monster Math Madness night at W. Reily Brown on October 27th from 5:30–7:00 p.m.

Come dressed in your costume and enjoy spooktacular displays and games. Our Child Nutrition Department will provide a meal for each child.

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**National Walk to School Day: Wednesday, October 5th, 2022**

Please join us as we celebrate National Walk, Bike, & Roll to School Day on Wednesday, October 5th. Staff members and the Dover Police Department will be arriving at our four meeting locations by 8:15 a.m. and will begin walking to school at 8:20 a.m.

Our meeting locations are:

1- Corner of Alder Road and Kesselring Avenue  
2- Corner of Kesselring Avenue and Post Boulevard  
3- Corner of John Clark and Daniel Rodney Drive  
4- Corner of Nathaniel Mitchell Road and Gunning Bedford Drive

We cannot wait for you to join in on the fun!
Leader in Me: Habits at Home

W. Reily Brown is a Leader in Me school. We promote leadership for everyone through the 7 Habits.

A Transition Person replaces reactive, unhealthy, and harmful behaviors with proactive, helpful, and effective behaviors. A Transition Person shows leadership when they model positive behaviors and pass on the effective habits that strengthen and build others in positive ways.

Ask your child how they could be a Transition Person when he or she sees a student being mean to another student. Possible ideas are:

- Say something nice about the student
- Ask the student being mean to play
- Ask the other student to sit with you at lunch

Ask your child to reflect on other ways they can demonstrate leadership by being a Transition Person.

The key concept in Habit 2 “consider consequences” reminds us that although we have the freedom to make choices, we cannot choose the consequences of those choices. Hoping for an alternate consequence will not make it so. It is important for students to remember that every choice has a consequence, freedom of choice does not mean freedom of consequence, and how considering consequences increases the probability of making the right choice.

Invite your child to think about an upcoming decision and answer the following questions:

- What is your end in mind, or your desired result?
- What are your choices?
- What are the possible consequences of each choice?
- Based on the consequences, what is the best choice to reach your end in mind?

As a family, consider an upcoming family decision and answer the questions above.
Supporting Mathematics: Help Your Child Succeed In and Enjoy Mathematics

1. BE POSITIVE
Help your child have a “can do” attitude by praising your child’s efforts as well as her accomplishments. Acknowledge the fact that mathematics can be challenging at times and that persistence and hard work are the keys to success. Relate mathematics learning to other endeavors that require hard work and persistence, such as playing a sport.

2. CONNECT MATH WITH LIFE
Every day, people face situations that involve mathematics, such as deciding whether one has enough money to purchase a list of items at the store, reading a map to find out where one is, building a budget, deciding on the shortest route to a destination, developing a schedule, or determining the price of an item on sale. Help your child realize that mathematics is a significant part of everyday life.

3. MAKE MATH FUN
Play board games, solve puzzles, and ponder brain teasers with your child. Your child enjoys these kinds of activities while enhancing his mathematical thinking. Point out the mathematics involved, and have your child discuss the strategies he used.

4. LEARN ABOUT CAREERS IN MATH
Mathematics is foundational to a wide variety of interesting careers. Research different careers with your child, and find out what she should be doing now to prepare for these options.

5. KEEP HIGH EXPECTATIONS
Traditionally, in North America the belief that only some students are capable of learning mathematics has prevailed. Your attitude and expectations are crucial to influencing the future opportunities for your child. Make sure that your child is getting the same opportunities in mathematics as everyone else, and is taking challenging mathematics classes each year, all the way through high school.