

**2018-2019
Student/Parent
Handbook**



**La Mesa Dale
Elementary - TK-6**

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Dear La Mesa Dale Families,

Welcome to a new school year! I am excited to be part of this vibrant school community. I look forward to getting to know you and helping you get the most out of your elementary school experience.

At La Mesa Dale Elementary, children are inspired to become successful members of society by being encouraged to learn and grow in a safe, nurturing environment that promotes literacy, fosters self-esteem, and challenges students to succeed.

Educational success for all students starts with an effective partnership with all parents. You are the most essential part of your child's education and it is important that we build a strong relationship in order to best serve your child's educational needs.

As we begin a new school year, please think about ways you can get involved and remember, every bit of time, no matter how large or small, matters. A few options include, but are not limited to:

- Communicate regularly with your child's teacher
- Talk to your child daily about his/her day: *What was the best part of your day? Why? What was the highlight of your day? What made it so good?*
- Read with your child daily
- Join the Parent Teacher Association (PTA), English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC), School Site Council (SSC) and attend monthly meetings to provide your input.
- Participate in Wednesday Workshop
- Attend special events: Back to School Night, Parent/Teacher Conferences and other Special Family Nights.

I am honored to have the opportunity to work with the incredible staff at La Mesa Dale. I look forward to getting to know our amazing students and families. Please know that my office is always open. I welcome comments, concerns, praise and/or suggestions you might have to make La Mesa Dale Elementary the best that it can be.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Babbitt
Principal



School Office Hours: 7:30 a.m – 3:30 p.m.

Daily Schedule:

Breakfast	7:15 – 7:45
Run Club – upper field	7:30 – 7:50
Line up for Peace Square – lower field	7:50
School begins	7:55

ARRIVAL/DISMISSAL

Grades TK – 6	(M, W, TH, F)	7:55 – 2:15
	(Tuesdays)	7:55 – 1:00
Special Ed. Preschool	(M, W, TH, F)	8:10 – 11:10 / 11:30 – 2:30
	(Tuesdays)	8:10 – 10:10 / 11:15 – 1:15
Preschool	(M-F)	8:30 – 11:30

RECESS

Lower Field:

1 st	9:50 – 10:10
TK, K	10:15 – 10:35
3 rd , 4 th	10:40 – 11:00

Upper Field:

2 nd
5 th , 6 th

LUNCH

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>EAT</u>	<u>PLAY</u>	<u>Lower</u>	<u>Upper</u>
Preschool	11:00 - 11:30			
1 st , 2 nd	11:30 – 11:50	11:50 – 12:10	1 st	2 nd
TK, K	11:55 – 12:15	12:15 – 12:35	TK, K	5 th , 6 th
3 rd , 4 th	12:15 – 12:35	12:35 – 12:55	3 rd	4 th
5 th , 6 th	12:35 – 12:55			

* 5th and 6th play first, then eat

There is no after-school supervision. Please pick up your child on time.

2018-2019 Staff

Transitional Kindergarten

Lanae Cervantes.....Room 6

Kindergarten

Jana Wilson.....Room 1

Pam Brauner and Kim Dilling.....Room 2

Brittany Balough.....Room 5

First Grade

Nick Martinez.....Room 7

Amy VanRossum.....Room 8

Janet Katz and Ann Belzman.....Room 12

Second Grade

Lynda Kopperud.....Room 9

Lisa Mangosing.....Room 10

Sandy Bristol.....Room 17

Third Grade

Cathy Hormozi.....Room 11

Elsa Goodwin.....Room 16

Fourth Grade

Ronda Champagne.....Room 4

Daylon Gamble.....Room 27

Fifth Grade

Darlene Madison.....Room 18

Fifth/Sixth Grade

Sarah Luibel.....Room 20

Sixth Grade

Richard Smith.....Room 21

Support Staff

Cafeteria Lead: Ofelia Tenorio.....Cafeteria

ESS Lead: Joe Flores.....Auditorium

Library Media Tech: Patricia Buckley.....Room 30

Psychologist: Lilia Treviso.....Psy Room

SAI Teacher: Leslie Eder.....Room 13

SAI Teacher: Jill FaeldoneaManivanh..... Room 14

Speech Pathologist: Leslie Melone.....Room 28

State Preschool: Cindy Woods.....Room 19

Special Ed Preschool: Melissa Eddery.....Room 15

Math Intervention: Anna Tu.....Room 26

Reading Intervention: Brooke DeAngelis.....Room 25

Day Custodian: Jim Wyatt

Night Custodian: Ivan Ochoa

CONTACT US

La Mesa Dale Elementary

Website: <http://www.lmsvschools.org/lamesadale>

Phone number: 619-668-5740

Principal Email: tammie.babbitt@lmsvschools.org

Contacting my child's teacher – 619-668-5740

- ✓ **during classroom instruction** time you will be directed to the teacher's voice mail
- ✓ **after hours** you may dial the teacher's extension by using **22 plus their room number examples:** Room 9 is 2209, Room 12 is 2212
- ✓ **E-mail** for all staff members: use their first and last names plus the e-mail address. **example:** jane.doe@lmsvschools.org

Please watch for information in:

- ✓ Your child's weekly parent bulletin from his/her classroom teacher.
- ✓ School Marquee
- ✓ Weekly phone calls from principal

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES: This will be the first school contact for many of you. If for some reason we believe that a conference is necessary prior to this period, we will contact you by phone or note. Please call us if you wish to have a conference before this time.

HELP US STAY IN TOUCH WITH YOU:

****Keep Emergency Information Current!****

- ✓ **Home address**
- ✓ **Home telephone number**
- ✓ **Cell phone number**
- ✓ **Work telephone number**
- ✓ **Relative or friend authorized to care for your child in case of an emergency**

***** Please call the school office immediately
if any of this information changes! *****

RULES FOR SUCCESS

Be Safe * Be Respectful * Be Responsible * Be Healthy

COMMITMENTS FOR SUCCESS

To be Safe, I will...

- **Keep my hands, feet, body, and objects to myself**
- **Walk at all times, except on the playground**
- **Bring only safe and appropriate things to school**
- **Tell an adult at school and at home if I know someone is being bullied**

To be Respectful, I will...

- **Follow the directions of all school adults**
- **Use kind language**
- **Use an inside voice**
- **Help others**

To be Responsible, I will...

- **Take care of property**
- **Help keep my school clean**
- **Be on time and ready to learn**
- **Complete all assignments with my best effort**

To be Healthy, I will...

- **Get enough sleep (at least 10 hours) each night**
- **Eat fruits and vegetables, and drink milk**
- **Be active during running club, recess, and P.E**
- **Say NO! to drugs, alcohol, and tobacco**

SCHOOLWIDE DISCIPLINE PLAN:

Part of the joy of working with youngsters is to catch them doing the right thing. We intend to do just that while teaching the advantages of good citizenship to all our La Mesa Dale children. We also recognize that no one is perfect all the time. When we do make mistakes, we seek to right wrongs using Restorative Practices.

Restorative Practice is a mindset in education that focuses on establishing positive relationships between staff and students and among students in order to create a climate in which responses to student behavior focus on restoring relationships and repairing harm with the goal of developing community and managing conflict and tensions. Restorative Practice helps us to ensure a learning-centered culture throughout our system.

Restorative Practice means recognizing that children sometimes act in negative ways and that we have the choice to and focus on punishment (punitive) **or** we can choose to focus on learning from the mistake and consequences that result and be given the opportunity to repair the harm and relationships. We choose the latter.

La Mesa Dale Staff believes ...

In the dignity of all students

In the ability of all students to be successful

That each student must be held accountable for their behaviors AND be afforded the opportunity to make amends to the community when harm occurs.

Restorative Practice keeps students in school and learning.



PeaceBuilders is a research-validated violence prevention and character education program approved by the federally funded Safe and Drug-Free Schools Act. It is a comprehensive program that shifts the climate to a peaceful, productive and safe place for children, parents, staff and faculty.

Created for students of all ages, PeaceBuilders addresses risk factors, which predict violence, bullying and drug and tobacco use. Participation in PeaceBuilders reduces aggression, promotes language development, teaches social skills, creates inclusion for special needs children and fosters safer communities.

In the school setting, PeaceBuilders increases academic achievement by allowing teachers to spend more time teaching and less time addressing behavior. In all settings, the program creates a peaceful environment by increasing positive, respectful, thoughtful behavior, while decreasing violence and disruptive behavior.

At La Mesa Dale, the PeaceBuilder program has successfully reduced the number of playground referrals, suspensions for fighting, and bullying. Along with the above pledge, staff members are trained to use common language when dealing with conflict, and given specific techniques to solve problems that arise between young people. We are pleased to continue the program here because we are certain that a safe and orderly environment at school is one of your highest priorities – as it is ours.

As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

STARTING THE SCHOOL DAY- Get Here Safely.



SAFEST ROUTE TO SCHOOL/TRAFFIC: Due to heavy traffic near the school we ask that parents take time to talk over traffic safety and crossing street procedures with their children. Children should walk on the sidewalks at all times and cross only at the signals or stop signs. **Our Safety Patrol is on duty in front of the school 15 minutes prior to the start of school and 15 minutes after students are released.**

In order to increase safety for our students, the alley behind the auditorium is used as a ONE WAY street at all times. **Enter on Parks Avenue and exit on Olive Avenue. Please do not enter through the gate on Olive Avenue even after hours.**

Dropping Off and Picking Up Students - When dropping off or picking up students, please use the right "Drop Off Lane" marked in the back parking lot and pull forward as far as you can. Do not drop off or pick up children from the "Keep Moving" left lane.

*****NO PARKING in the loading zone or alley.*****

Parks Avenue (Front of School) Parking Lot - DO NOT park anywhere except in the marked spaces in this parking lot at any time. Please do not park in marked staff parking. **Please do not park or wait in the Parks Avenue parking lot or in the alley to pick up your child.**



STARTING THE SCHOOL DAY- Be Here. Be on Time.



RUN CLUB: Students not participating in the Breakfast Program can arrive on campus anytime after 7:30 (There is no supervision before 7:30). Students are to enter through the main gate at the front of the school, or the back gates. They are to meet in the breakfast area.

TARDY: Teachers take attendance at Peace Square. If your child is not in line when the bell rings at 7:55, (s)he will be marked absent or tardy. Your child misses out on information and learning when (s)he is late. Please plan to come early, enjoy breakfast and Run Club. This will ensure your child is on time.

ABSENT/LEAVING EARLY California State Education Code Section 48260 states that children between ages 6-16 years are subject to compulsory full-time school during the time school is in session. That means they HAVE TO GO to school. Students with excessive absences or tardies may be referred to the School Attendance Review Board (SARB).

1. **Excusing an Absence:** The State of California allows us to excuse your child's absence when (s)he is sick, has a doctor's appointment and/or has to attend a relative's funeral. You must call or send a note to the school telling *why* your child is absent.
2. Report communicable diseases to our office. If you are not sure about keeping your child at home, please check with our Health Technician.
3. **Leaving Early?** A note from home is required when a student leaves school early. You will be **required to sign your student out at the Health Technician's office; your child will be called to the office after you have arrived at school.** This can take a few minutes. Please plan accordingly.
4. If you have to make special arrangements for transportation, etc., please make these arrangements **before** your child comes to school. **We do try to convey messages, but cannot guarantee delivery of your message.**

INDEPENDENT STUDY CONTRACT:

If your child is going to be absent from school for 5 or more days, please let us know *in advance* so we can place him/her on an independent study contract for the duration of the absence. The independent study contract serves two purposes:

1. Your child keeps up on his/her schoolwork and skills.
2. We do not lose funding from the State.

SICK AT SCHOOL:

If a child has an injury or fever or is displaying other symptoms of illness, the parent, or person listed on the enrollment form as "Emergency Number," will be notified. The child should be picked up as soon as possible. School personnel are not permitted to administer treatment or to diagnose. Ill children cannot walk home alone or be sent home without an adult present.

*****Students should have a normal temperature for 24 hours before returning to school.*****

MEDICATION: In order to have your child take medication at school, the Physician's Recommendation for Medication, form A-228, (San Diego County) must be completed by your doctor and sent to the school. No medication will be given at school without this form. These forms may be obtained in the office. **Only adults may transport medication to and from school.**

NOTE: All medication taken at school must be under the supervision of a designated school employee.

FOOD

BREAKFAST/LUNCH: Served daily in the school cafeteria

****If you wish to pay in advance for breakfast or lunch:**

- ✓ Checks **payable to: La Mesa Dale or La Mesa-Spring Valley School District** and can be left in the office before school or at the cafeteria at the beginning of each week.
- ✓ Students are expected to line up for school **on time**. Please explain to your child that they have a limited amount of time to eat and that they must finish in time to line up with their class.
- ✓ A hot lunch is served daily and may be purchased by students. Milk may also be purchased a la carte. **If lunch is brought to school, be sure students' name and room number are visible on the outside of the sack or box.** Purses and loose money should never be left outside classrooms.

SNACK POLICY:

We are committed to providing your child with a healthy school environment. Good health fosters student performance, attendance, and education. As part of the La Mesa-Spring Valley School District Wellness Policy, La Mesa Dale has adopted the following requirements about snacks at school.

Children may bring healthy, nutritious snacks to school to eat during their morning recess time. **Students may NOT share snacks with other children due to unknown allergies.**

*****Snacks must be snack size*****

Healthy Snacks Include: Fruits, vegetables, crackers, trail mix, pretzels, 100% juice
NOT Allowed at School: Gum, candy, soda, energy drinks, caffeine, LARGE bags of chips or cookies, Top Ramen **Takis, Cheetos, Doritos are highly discouraged**

GENERAL INFORMATION

BICYCLES: Only students in the 4th, 5th and 6th grades are permitted to ride their bicycles as transportation to/from school. Riding a bicycle to school is a privilege. Certain standards of safety must be maintained. Failure to follow the student bicycle safety standards will result in loss of this privilege. If your child plans to ride his/her bicycle to school, you can get a bicycle contract from the school office. A student can ride to/from school only after the contract is returned and on file in the office. Bicycles are not to be ridden on the school grounds while school is in session and are not allowed in the inner patio area at any time. Be sure bicycles are padlocked as the school does not take responsibility for bike security. For the safety of your child, and legal compliance, your child must wear a helmet.

*****Skateboards, scooters, shoes with wheels are not allowed at school! *****

BIRTHDAYS: Please, no cupcakes or food treats due to food allergies!

At La Mesa Dale, we know birthdays are special and would like to celebrate with you. If you would like to do something special to honor your child's birthday at school, here are some suggestions. Many cost less than cupcakes!

- Purchase a book, which your child would select and then donate it to the class. Your child can sign the inside cover.
- Stickers, pencils (no pencil sharpeners), erasers, fun pages to color, or other inexpensive party favors to be passed out at the end of the school day.

CELL PHONES: Cell phones are not to be used on campus at anytime. Students must leave them in their backpacks or turn them in to their teacher to be locked up for the day. Students who do not abide by this rule, will have their cell phones taken away and a parent will be called to pick it up.

DRESS CODE: Your child's appearance is a direct reflection of pride in themselves and in their school. Dress standards for La Mesa-Spring Valley students are general. School is your *job*. Dress for success at your job. ***If your child is not dressed appropriately, you may be called to bring your child a change of clothes.***

- ✓ **Standard student apparel consists of** pants, shorts, dresses, skirts, and shirts worn in an appropriate manner.
- ✓ The **California State Law** requires all students to wear footwear that covers and protects their feet.
- ✓ Make-up, long fingernails and hair other than a natural color are not appropriate for school.
- ✓ **Unacceptable Clothing:** spaghetti straps, see-through tops, one shoulder tops, bare midriffs, oversized armholes, saggy/baggy pants, hats or clothing with words or pictures about alcohol, drugs, tobacco, gangs, or profanity, and sandals (please send your child in close-toed shoes).
- ✓ Caps are allowed **ONLY** outside.

ESS CHILD CARE: ESS CHILD CARE is a self-supporting, year-round child care program offered before and after school to students enrolled at La Mesa Dale School. The program is located in the school auditorium. Enrollment is open.

Hours: 6:00 A.M. — 6:00 P.M.

Fees: Call ESS for current fee structure (668-5844)

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: There are many opportunities for participation in extra-curricular and service activities. Your children will receive information regarding opportunities as they become available.

FAMILY LIFE PROGRAM: We offer a Family Life Program to fifth and sixth grade students. All parents have the right to preview the materials that are used in the class prior to their children receiving instruction. A letter is sent home for parents to indicate if they want their children to attend the Family Life Program.

HOMEWORK: Homework is a valuable and important learning activity, which increases in difficulty with the maturity of the student. Your child's teacher will send you a letter at the beginning of school explaining the procedure that they will follow in assigning homework during the year.

INSURANCE: Each year La Mesa-Spring Valley School District provides information to parents on an Accident Medical/Dental Expense insurance policy. The school district itself does not provide any medical or dental expense insurance for pupils injured on school premises or in school activities. If you do not carry insurance on your son/daughter, you are urged to enroll your child under one of the two commercial plans that are offered by the insurance company.

LATE COMING HOME: Teachers will telephone parents in advance when a pupil is required to remain after school longer than 15 minutes to complete work or for school-sponsored activities. This way, a definite "check-in" time may be set at home.

LIBRARY/MEDIA CENTER: La Mesa Dale has a resource and reference library available for your child's use when school is in session. Students who lose or damage books will be billed for the cost of replacing them. The library cannot be used for after school childcare.

LOST AND FOUND: Clothing articles and lunch boxes that are left in the classroom by students will be kept in the rooms for a period of time and then placed on the "Lost and Found" table (by the auditorium). Please **clearly mark** all jackets, hats, sweaters, lunch boxes, etc. Children who have lost things on the playground should check the "Lost and Found" table. Please check with the office for items of value — money, jewelry, etc.

PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION (PTA): PTA is a long-standing organization, which represents the interest of the children in the school and community. This organization puts the children of La Mesa Dale first and is dependent upon volunteers. The membership drive takes place in the first trimester, however, you may join at any time.

PROPERTY: **Students assume the responsibility for loss or damage** to their clothing, cell phones, personal computers, books, instruments, and bikes. The school endeavors to protect all personal property, such as these items, but the school and staff are not responsible for them. **Large sums of money and articles of real or sentimental value should not be brought to school. Electronics, toys and games are not allowed at school.**

PETS: To safeguard against possible injury, pets may not be brought to school.

SCHOOL PICTURES: Usually taken in the fall and spring. There will be a make-up day for those who are absent, for fall pictures only.

SAFETY PATROL: Fifth grade students are recommended to participate in this program by their teacher. The following are taken into consideration: citizenship, attitude, effort and responsibility. The La Mesa Police Department cooperates with the school in training the Patrol to guard school crossings and protect our students. All students and adults are required to obey the Safety Patrol members. Safety Patrol members must not be distracted in any way while on duty. This is a serious violation of school and police policy.

TEXTBOOKS: Textbooks are loaned to students for their use during the school year. These books should be handled carefully with the idea that other students will be using them in the coming years. Students are responsible for taking care of the textbooks issued to them. Students will be charged for any textbook that is lost or damaged beyond normal repair.

TITLE I PROGRAMS:

The School Improvement (SI) program is a state-funded project designed to improve existing educational programs from kindergarten through eighth grades. Title I is a federally funded program intended to improve student performance.

Funding is used for:

- ✓ Purchase of supplementary materials for classroom use
- ✓ Employment of support personnel
- ✓ Staff development

These programs help children by:

- ✓ Personalizing instruction in the basic skills in reading, language and mathematics
- ✓ Meeting individual needs to ensure academic success
- ✓ Providing for continuous progress through the use of diagnostic testing with follow-up instructional strategies
- ✓ Utilizing support personnel, volunteers and parents
- ✓ Developing a positive self-concept within the child

VANDALISM: We try very hard to keep the school looking neat and clean. We are certainly proud of its appearance and trust that you feel the same way. We would appreciate your cooperation in helping us instill in your children pride and respect for the school property. The school belongs to all of us and when we destroy school property we are hurting ourselves because more money has to be expended in order to repair the damages.

VISITING SCHOOL: The school staff welcomes visits to the school from parents. We ask that all visitors schedule a time to visit with your child's teacher and check in at the office before going to the classroom or playground. This request is made to protect the children from unauthorized visitors and to locate the teacher for you if the class is out of the room at the time. Please do not expect to be able to conference with your child's teacher during the instructional day. **When you check in at the office, please bring a photo ID to sign in at the Ident-A-Kid computer at the front desk. All visitors are required to wear a printed badge after signing in.**

VOLUNTEERS: La Mesa Dale actively encourages parents, grandparents and members of the community to volunteer. There are opportunities to work in the classroom, the school workroom, and even from home. At the beginning of the school year, a volunteer interest form is sent home with each child. We encourage you to fill it out to let us know how you would like to help. We must have an application on file

in the office for you to volunteer on the school campus. Please stop by the office and fill out a Volunteer Application. **All volunteers must check in at the office before being on campus to volunteer. Please bring a photo ID to sign in at the Ident-A-Kid computer at the front desk. All volunteers are required to wear a printed badge after signing in.**

Board Policies:

TOBACCO-FREE POLICY - Board Regulation 1131: The Board of Education has declared the La Mesa-Spring Valley School District to be tobacco free. Students, employees, and community members using tobacco products on District property shall be informed of the District's policy and asked to refrain from tobacco use. Persistent violation of this policy shall result in appropriate disciplinary measures for students and/or employees and the possible revocation of an organizations' use of Facilities permit if a community member refuses to refrain from tobacco use while on District property.

STUDENT SEXUAL HARASSMENT- EC 212.5, 48980: It is the policy of the La Mesa-Spring Valley School District Board of Education that all persons regardless of their sex be afforded equal rights and opportunities and enjoy freedom from discrimination of any kind in educational programs and settings. Furthermore, the Governing Board considers sexual harassment to be an offense, which can result in suspension or expulsion of the offending student.

Types of conduct which are prohibited in the District and which may constitute sexual harassment include, but are not limited to:

- a) Unwelcome sexual flirtations or propositions.
- b) Sexual slurs, leering, epithets, threats, verbal abuse, derogatory comments, or sexually degrading descriptions.
- c) Graphic verbal comments about an individual's body or overly personal conversation.

- d) Sexual jokes, notes, stories, drawings, pictures or gestures.
- e) Spreading sexual rumors.
- f) Teasing or sexual remarks about a student enrolled in a predominantly single-sex class.
- g) Displaying sexually suggestive objects

Education Code 48900.2 specifies a pupil may be suspended from school or recommended for expulsion if the superintendent or principal of the school in which the pupil is enrolled determines the pupil has committed sexual harassment as described in Education Code 212.5. The conduct must be considered by a reasonable person of the same gender as the victim to be sufficiently severe or pervasive to have a negative impact upon the individual's academic performance or to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational environment. This policy shall not apply to pupils enrolled in kindergarten and grades 1 to 3, inclusive. Any student who feels he or she has been the victim of sexual harassment shall immediately report the incident to the principal of the school or other staff member.

SUSPENSION

While the administration strives to keep students in class and learning, at times it is necessary to suspend a student. Pursuant to Education Code 48900 and/or Board of Education Regulation 5131.6, your child can be suspended for the following reason(s):

- Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person.**
- Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished any firearm, knife, explosive or other dangerous object.
- Possessed, used, sold, furnished, or under the influence of a controlled substance.
- Offered, arranged or negotiated to sell a controlled substance or alcohol.
- Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion.
- Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property.
- Stolen or attempted to steal school property or private property.
- Possessed or used tobacco.
- Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity.
- Unlawful possession, offered or arranged to sell drug paraphernalia
- Disrupted school activities or otherwise willfully defied the valid authority of school officials.
- Knowingly received stolen school property or private property.
- Sexual harassment

“Whose Child Is This?”

"Whose child is this?" I asked one day
Seeing a little one out at play.
"Mine", said the **parent** with a tender smile
"Mine to keep a little while.
To bathe his/her hands and comb his/her hair,
To tell him/her what he/she is to wear,
To prepare him/her that he/she may always be good,
And each day do the things he/she should."

"Whose child is this?" I asked again,
As the door opened and someone came in.
"Mine", said the **teacher** with the same tender smile.
"Mine, to keep just for a little while.
To teach him/her how to be gentle and kind,
To train and direct his/her dear little mind,
To help him/her live by every rule,
And get the best he/she can from school."

"Whose child is this?" I asked once more,
Just as the little one entered the door.
"Ours", said the **parent and the teacher** as they smiled.
And each took the hand of the little child.
"Ours to love and train together.
Ours this precious task forever."

Author Unknown

I believe that we can make the biggest difference only by

working together

Your child deserves just that.

Sincere Appreciation,
Mrs. Babbitt
Principal