

Chesterbrook Academy  
In Kingstowne, VA

August 27, 2016

### Message From the Principal

It is my pleasure to welcome you to another great school year here at Chesterbrook Academy! I hope you all had a safe and enjoyable summer vacation and are ready to begin school. Kindergarten students will have their first day on August 29<sup>th</sup> beginning with fun, engaging orientation games and activities. Preschool students will start school and transition into their new classrooms on Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>. Early learning is critical to a child's continued success in school and our philosophy is to create an environment where all students show success in their learning. Please join us for our Back-To-School Night on Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. This is a great opportunity to chat with your child's teacher and visit the classroom!

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### Special Days

- September 5<sup>th</sup> ..... Labor Day – CBA Closed
- September 8<sup>th</sup> ..... International Literacy Day!
- September 11<sup>th</sup> ..... Grandparents Day!
- September 16<sup>th</sup> ..... Back-To-School-Night!
- September 17<sup>th</sup> ..... Constitution Day!
- September 21<sup>st</sup> ..... International Peace Day!
- September 23<sup>rd</sup> ..... Native American Day!
- September 26<sup>th</sup> ..... Johnny Appleseed Day!

One of the most important components of a good school is the partnership between the school and parents who work together for the best interest of children. As we begin a new school year, we find teachers establishing school standards and rules. In the most successful classrooms, teachers have established specific routines for the children to follow, such as giving the children a specific place to find and keep materials, a set schedule for classroom instruction, etc. At home, it is also important to provide routines. Many families build a daily "quiet time" at home where the television is turned off and children can spend a few moments reading with parents and sharing about the day's events. Establishing a "quiet time" at home provides children an opportunity to develop self-discipline, explore their world and experience the joy of discovery. School and home can work together to build skills and knowledge, reinforce values, and develop a strong sense of self worth. As partners, we must invest our time and energies in our nation's most valuable resource – our children!

### Hours/Days of Operations

Regular hours of operation are 6:30 am-6:30 pm weekdays. There is a late pick-up fee of \$1 per minute after the regularly scheduled pick-up time.

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From the Education Department

