Hello Hastings Families!

I hope that you are all enjoying the summer break. For those of you who've had a chance to drive by Hastings, you've seen that it's a flurry of construction activity around here! The preschool building is coming along well. The new preschool playground is currently being installed, and the construction crew is painting, installing ceilings and casework (counters and cabinets) in our new preschool building. In the Hastings building, the demolition work is done, and the renovations have begun. The Hastings main offices are being moved up to the front of the building for added security, and two new Kindergarten rooms are being created. The construction crew is working closely with our custodial staff to make sure that our school will be clean and ready to welcome students on Wednesday, August 29.

Most of you know that our long-time 12-month school secretary, Betsy Krentzman, retired at the end of this school year. Kim Capello began as our new school secretary on July 1. Many of you already know Kim as she has worked at Hastings School in the role of a para-educator since 2014. Maria Hanson, our 10-month secretary at Hastings, will be moving to our new preschool building in the fall. Kim Bromm, who worked as a part-time office assistant last year, will be the new 10-month secretary at Hastings. Kim Capello will be here all summer to help families through phone calls (508-836-7750) and email communications (capellok@westboroughk12.org). Please remember that Hastings School is closed to visitors during the summer construction and renovations.

The school supply lists for Kindergarten through Grade 3 are posted on the Hastings School website (http://hes.westboroughk12.org/). You can also look there to find our school calendar. Bus routes and cafeteria menus will be posted sometime in August. You can expect to receive a mailing from our school the week of August 13. This mailing will contain information about your child's classroom assignment for the coming year. The Hastings School Open House is scheduled for Thursday, September 20, from 6:30-7:30 PM. You will have an opportunity to visit your child's classroom, meet his or her teachers and see our beautiful new lobby and office space.

Enjoy the remainder of the summer, and we are looking forward to everyone's return on Wednesday, August 29!

Sincerely, Leigh Becker, Principal