Dear Lower School Families,

Camp is wrapping up and the flurry of preparations necessary prior to the start of September are well underway! We have worked throughout the summer, always with the goal of creating an amazing learning community for students and families. We can't wait to welcome everyone for the start of a wonderful school year.

You should have received an email message about Lower School Orientation Day on Tuesday, September 5. Time is available for families who would like to schedule a 15-minute conference to connect with their child's teachers and to share important information about their child. New families are encouraged to come in for a conference. If you have questions, please contact Tricia Cassidy, our Administrative Assistant, in the Lower School office at 215-576-3960. Childcare will be provided during your conference time on September 5, however you are welcome to have your child join you in the classroom as well. September 6 is the first full day of school!

In order to enter the Lower School, all families need a fob. For new families who do not yet have a fob, Tricia has one ready for you. Stop by the Lower School office the first week of school in order to obtain your fob and instructions as to its use.

There are many "to do" items in preparation for the school year. If you've not yet completed your enrollment paperwork, please do so. Check to be sure that you have submitted the trip permission, dismissal and CareDox forms. Additionally, enclosed is a questionnaire about your child. Please bring it with you for your orientation conference or if you are unable to come that day, bring it on the first day of school. This form will help your child's teachers learn more about them and serve as a starting point for building the connection between home and school this year.

On September 8 from 4:30 - 7:00 p.m., all are invited to celebrate at the Annual Back-to-School Family Barbecue! We hope you will join us for food, fun and time to connect as a school community.

We look forward to seeing you very soon! Sincerely,

Andrea Emmons Lower School Director