



# Korematsu Elementary School

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**Mary Ponce, Principal**

August 16, 2010

Greetings, Korematsu Community,

I hope you have all enjoyed a wonderful summer vacation. Our staff has been busy preparing for the beginning of the school year. As you may have heard, Ms. Ponce has chosen to stay home with her baby, Benicio, for the twelve weeks allowed by FMLA. I am excited about continuing as Interim Principal in her absence. I very much enjoyed being in the office during the spring, and look forward to serving the community this fall.

Thanks to all of the hard work of the Davis Schools Foundation, and many generous donations from community members and district staff, our programs remain in tact. We will still have our reading paraprofessionals and our noon supervisors. At this time, we are still working on finding an EL Specialist. While many things remain the same, there are a few changes as well. The ratio in our primary classrooms will be 25:1, and Pat Johnson, our secretary at the front desk, will be at Korematsu daily until 1:50pm.

All of the staff at Korematsu will continue to work hard to provide an excellent education and a fun, safe learning environment for all children. We welcome you on campus and encourage you to be a part of your child's schooling. I know we will continue to work together as a community on behalf of all students. I look forward to the excitement of the first day of school, and to working with all of you. Please feel free to drop by and say hello, or to introduce yourself if you are new to Korematsu. Our office hours are 8:00-3:30 daily.

Please see the back of this paper about an important new event at Korematsu. All sites are implementing a Registration Day ("Paper Parade") to facilitate the completion of required school paperwork PRIOR to the start of school.

Important dates:

Monday, August 23- Registration Day/Paper Parade, 4:00-7:00 PM.

Tuesday, August 24- Class lists posted on the office window at 4:00 PM.

Wednesday, August 25- First Day of School! (1:30 dismissal for Grades 1-6)

Wednesday, September 1- Back To School Night 6:00- 8:00

Monday, September 6- No School, Labor Day

Welcome to the 2010-2011 school year at Fred T. Korematsu Elementary School. I look forward to seeing you all soon!

Sincerely,

Nikki Smith  
Interim Principal