Dear Families,
We are excited about all the wonderful plans we have for your children this school year. We are very fortunate to have received continued funding for our Language Arts program and we look forward to another A+ School Year! Thanks to all of your fundraising and tax credit donations last year, we are still able to fund Technology and P.E. Instructors, additional Reading/Math Tutors and a Robotics Enrichment Program. This summer our teachers participated in a variety of professional development including, but not limited to the following: OMA (Opening Minds through the Arts), Language Arts, Math, Gifted training and Safety training. Please plan to attend this year’s Open House to learn more about the exciting things going on at Fruchthendler. It will be a wonderful opportunity to meet our new staff and spend some time getting to know our returning teachers.

Our first through fifth grade 2019 Open House/Curriculum Evening will be on Tuesday, August 13th from 6:00-7:30pm. There are two sessions to accommodate those families that have more than one student attending Fruchthendler. Please plan to join us at 5:45, as our PTA will be here to meet and greet everyone.

- 6:00-6:15 Welcome & Staff Introductions - Cafeteria
- 6:20-6:50 Visit Classrooms
- 6:55-7:25 Visit Classrooms (for families with more than one classroom to visit)

Kindergarten Open House will be held separately on Tuesday, August 20th beginning at 5:45pm, a note from the teachers will go home with more information.

The items in this packet were prepared to provide both the school and families with the information needed to ensure a good level communication between home and school. We want our students and families to understand our expectations for student success. When reviewing the materials, please read and review the parent/student handbook with your child, which clearly communicates our expectations for student behavior & academic success. Our desire is always to help them strive to accomplish their personal best. School is hard work and we expect the best from our students, faculty and administration! I have discovered that setting forth these guidelines and expectations from the beginning will allow everyone within our school community to work together toward the success of our students. We want the focus of our time to be on learning, instructing and meeting the needs of all our students.

I encourage you to take an interest in what your child is doing at school. Your time and investment in your child will have a lasting impact and tremendous payoff. Ask your child everyday what they did in school. Show them that school is important by setting time aside everyday to do homework. Read with your child for at least 20 minutes a day. Go through their school folder to review class assignments and notes from their teacher. On a personal and professional note, I encourage you to attend as many school events as possible and get involved at Fruchthendler. An easy first step is to join the PTA! I would really like to have 100% of our families be members of the Fruchthendler PTA. If you feel the need, the staff and I have a plethora of tips on how to take an active role in your child’s education. Please feel free to contact any staff member, or me we are always happy to help.

Together, we will build a strong partnership for the success of our children.

Mary Anderson, Principal