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Dear Greene Families,

Welcome back! We cannot express how excited we are to be back in session. While we realize that this past week has been stressful due to a great deal of uncertainty, our families, teachers, and staff have been positive and supportive throughout. One of the positive outcomes of the strike has been the amount of support for our school and teachers exhibited by the community. It is our goal to preserve the unique community we have created at Greene and build upon the positive steps we have taken this last school year. Greene families, teachers, and administration are working hard to ensure that the Greene community not only remains intact, but emerges stronger from the strike.

With that in mind, please note that all before and after school activities will be resuming. This includes morning soccer for registered 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> graders, Urban Initiatives soccer, choir, and Girls in the Game, as well as regular sports programming. In the next two weeks, families will also be receiving registration materials for additional after school programming.

Upcoming Events

- Friday, September 21<sup>st</sup> Family Cooking Class (registered families only – 3pm in the cafeteria)
- Monday, September 24<sup>th</sup> Girls in the Game for pre-registered 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls (3pm in the gym)
- Tuesday, September 25<sup>th</sup> Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) meeting and Bilingual Advisory Committee Meeting (BAC) with elections (8am in the library).
- Wednesday, September 26<sup>th</sup> Coffee with the Principal (8am in the library)  
Picture Day
- Thursday, September 27<sup>th</sup> Garden Team Meeting (5pm in the library)
- Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup> UIC Demonstration Cooking Class for Greene Parents (8am in the cafeteria)

Please know that we have been working non-stop with the District police and the Alderman’s office to address the lack of a crossing guard at 36<sup>th</sup> and Honore. We have been informed that we will not be receiving a crossing guard from the city. As a result, we will be holding a crossing guard training for all interested community members next week. I am verifying date and time and will be sending out more information.

One of the unique aspects of our school community, and the reason for our success, is the high level of parent involvement. This Tuesday, September 25<sup>th</sup> we will have our first meeting of PAC and BAC for the school year. We encourage all parents who are able to attend.

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