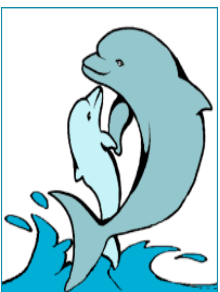


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Dear Parents,

We want to welcome you and your child back to Landstown Elementary School. This is a very exciting time in Virginia Beach as we work on finding new and innovative ways of preparing our children for the future. The 21st century has challenges that have caused some perplexing problems in our world. It is the goal of this school division and everyone here at Landstown to try to provide our students with a first class instructional program. As part of this important project the School Board has been working dutifully on Compass 2015. This is an updated strategic plan to better prepare our students for improved academic achievement and provide them with the skills needed to compete successfully in the 21st century.

One of the strategic goals for our city and specifically our school is to improve and expand parent and business involvement in our school. With close collaboration and a true partnership between home and school we can make great things happen for our young people. A great way to begin this involvement is by joining our PTA. This membership symbolizes your concern for your child's education and future success. I am encouraging all of our staff members and parents to join this wonderful organization. I sincerely hope we have 100% participation this year. When home and school work together as a team great things can happen for our children. I look forward to seeing you at school often this year.

Sincerely,
Greg Anderson
Principal

Dear Landstown Families,

Welcome back to school! I am your new PTA President for the 09-10 school year and I am looking forward to it being a great one!

Together, we can do just that...Make it GREAT! The board and myself have been working hard over the summer trying to "mix things up", providing some new, exciting events and opportunities for all of our families this year. With your help, volunteering at these events or throughout the school during the year, will make it to be a success! You can volunteer from home, in and out of the classroom, throughout the school and at one or several events yet to come!

We will be doing our best to support ALL of the parents, students and teachers-ALL year long! At the same time you can help us provide these wonderful opportunities by joining the PTA for just \$5! Both the children and the adults have so many benefits from this small \$5 fee, it's amazing! You can log on to: www.vapta.org or www.pta.org to view just a fraction of them!

During the school year, if you have ANY comments, concerns or suggestions OR you just want to know how you can volunteer in *any* way, please feel free to contact any board member. You can find all of our information under PTA on the school website.

I look forward to working together with each and every one in the year ahead!

~Wendy Tyer~ Your PTA President ~ PTAatLES@aol.com ~ 757-321-4246