

In a million words or less

Dear Parent/Guardian,
Greetings from Wydown Middle School!

We look forward to an exciting year of fun and learning with your young scholar. As your child will know soon enough, we do believe in meaningful and engaging homework. Yet, before we start to give *them* homework assignments we would like to give *you* one, if you would be willing. We believe that you know your child better than anyone. As the title above says, in a million words or less, tell us *anything* you would like us to know about your child. Please do not be modest; feel free to brag about your son or daughter. Also share any insights (struggles, passions, situations) that might be helpful to us as we begin the year.

As always there has to be a deadline, so we are asking that you complete the letter by **Friday, August 25**. You can seal it in an envelope and have your child bring it to one of us, drop it by the school yourself, mail it to us at the address below, or send an email/document to rebeccagroves@claytonschoools.net.

Please be sure to include your child's first and last name in your response.

Note: If you receive a *similar* assignment or form from another Wydown teacher, don't feel as though you have to do both. We would be happy to pass along your letter to any other teacher.

Thanks in advance for your cooperation and we look forward to a wonderful year with your child!

Sincerely,
6 West Team (*Dr. Hardt, Miss Groves, Mr. Chisholm, Dr. Leong*)

Possible thoughts for your letter...

- When you think about your child, what makes you proud?
 - What are they passionate about?
 - What do they cry about at home?
- How can I help make this a great year for your son/daughter?
- How can I make your child feel safe and open to trying new things?
- Do you have any suggestions on how to best connect with your child?
 - What sparks your child's interest?
 - What triggers frustration or withdrawal?
- What two things I should do and two things that I should avoid?

6 West Important Dates

Open House 8/22 (Tuesday) 7 - 9 p.m.

Family Culture Potluck Dinner 9/5 (Tuesday) 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. Main Street

Parent Camp Night 9/13 (Wednesday) 7 p.m.

6th grade Camp 9/26 – 9/29 (Tuesday - Friday)

Reminder!

Parent Homework is due no later than **Friday, August 25.**