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Dear Families of Second Graders,

Welcome to Malletts Bay School! Our school mascot is the Osprey, so your child will become an "Osprey" when he/she "flies up" to our school. We know this is a big transition for you and your child, and look forward to meeting you and helping make this process a great experience. We hope to finalize student placement decisions by June. This will allow your child to participate in a "Fly Up" activity with their third grade teacher, and meet Unified Arts teachers and other adults who will be part of their school experience at Malletts Bay. Our tentative plans are for "Fly Up" to take place the morning of May 29<sup>th</sup>.

Please mark your calendars now for the evening of Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>. We'll hold a parent orientation that evening, beginning at 6:00 p.m. here at Malletts Bay School. During the parent orientation you'll learn more about our "house" model, schedule, and basic curriculum. You'll have a chance to meet us and ask specific questions you may have. In the meantime, please visit our home page. You'll find a great deal of information there, including classroom blogs, a parent-student handbook, and many other interesting aspects of our wonderful school.

We are working closely with the UMS and PPS teachers who are assisting us in creating seven balanced sections of third grade classrooms with a nice mix of children from each of the sending schools.

I would love to get to know your child through your eyes. The attached form will help to introduce your child to me! I will share the form with Ms. Burke, the assistant principal, and with your child's teacher once placement has been decided. If you have particular concerns related to health, please be sure to include the information and/or call 802-264-5904 to talk to our nurse, Nurse Josie. You may also wish to convey some information to our school counselor. If so, Mrs. Routsong would be happy to meet with you. She can be reached at 802-264-5898.

We work hard as a school community to provide a consistent and coherent curriculum at each grade level, and are committed to ensuring that each child has a positive school experience during their years as an Osprey.

Sincerely,

Julie Benay, Principal Jordan Burke, Assistant Principal

Attachment: Parent input form