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*Family Partnership develops supports for all
those who care for our children*

Dear families,

Welcome back to another school year!! We are looking forward to a great year!! Worcester Family Partnership is excited to share that MA Department of Early Education and Care did again award the CFCE grant to WPS – which basically means that we can continue working with you for another 3 years!!!

As we plan for the new school year, we are evaluating how to best serve Worcester families. So we will be trying some new playgroup arrangements.

- For September, there will be no Friday playgroup at 130 Leeds St.: Playgroup at the YWCA will be open 10:15-11:45.
- Wednesday evenings will resume 9/20/17.
- The playgroup that was at Vernon Hill School in collaboration with the WPS PreSchool Arena team is waiting for new space at Nelson Place; in the meantime, those families and staff will be joining the YWCA group. This group is particularly targeted for families with 3 & 4 year olds, but all are welcome.
- Head Start ESOL classes will be beginning on 9/25 for parents and for some of those infants, the transition to school is difficult. Please be patient for these few weeks.

As groups start in the Fall, many playgroups will only have one staff person. Please help if you see a need. These are aimed to be parent groups so your leadership is very helpful!!

And a few reminders now that we are sharing the building again:

- The “summer gym” is now a classroom; WFP will still be able to use the outdoor playground and a gym at the end of the hall during scheduled times.
- Please wear a “visitor badge” when in the building so building staff know you are signed in.
- Adults, please use the bathroom downstairs. The upstairs bathroom is shared by 4 classrooms of children still learning this skill.
- The parking lot behind the building is for school staff.
- Please remain in close proximity to your child when in the stairways and hallways. A lost child is cause for GREAT concern in the preschool program.

WFP always needs parent ideas and input. Please note our first Parent Advisory Board Meeting 9/14 at 4:30 PM at Mill Swan.

Thanks for your help! I hope to see you soon.