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Dear Parents,

What a wonderful Back to School Night we had last evening! So many parents were able to join us and hear about all the exciting changes being implemented this year; new reading and math series, PowerSchool - a new system for parents to view students' grades, Honeywell Alert System to take the place of News Flash, emailing of Thursday white envelopes beginning in October, our new website - www.skschool.org and monthly lunch ordering! Whew!

A note to those who were not able to be with us last evening: in order to view Power School you must have a password. One will be sent to you **only after you sign the disclaimer form** which can be found on our new website. Please sign it, send it back to school and you will receive your password.

The students seem to be energized with their new teachers and classrooms and all are working very hard. The middle school students are following an A,B,C daily schedule and being challenged to think clearly and express themselves through writing in all subjects. The lower grades are reading more literature and poetry and their math periods have been increased to an hour a day to accommodate all the new Common Core Standards.

The HSA officers and committee chairs have met and are planning many events for this school year. I thank them for their many hours of service and ask that other parents in the school step up to join them in their efforts to help improve our school. A special thank you to Enza Tsaptsinos who chaired the Book Fair this week and to her committee members for their time and patience with the children especially the little ones.

So you can see, we are off to a super start. We look forward to the rest of what promises to be an exciting year!

God bless you all.

Mrs. Patricia Graham