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Dear Center School Families,

It is the end of August and I once again find myself saying, “Where did the summer go?” Our family was certainly no stranger to the beach this summer. We also found plenty of time for board games and some excellent summer reading. I would have to say the family favorite read aloud this summer was *Toad Rage* by Morris Gleitzman. While my Australian accent during the book should never be made public, I am proud of my effort!

Well, my inside of school time was certainly filled with quite a bit of the *listening* and *learning* I wanted to do. I am so grateful for the time that numerous staff members were able to take out of their own busy summers to come in and meet with me. Another thank you goes to the families that were able to stop by our two “Meet Mr. Mulkerin” nights in August. Unfortunately, it rained both nights, but I was amazed at the smiling turnout nonetheless. Thanks also have to go to the special people inside and outside of the building that I continuously tapped on the shoulder throughout the summer. Luckily, those shoulders were attached to smiling and helpful faces as well.

I am very excited to have our doors open to students on Wednesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> for our first day of the 2015-2016 school year. While a new building does not get any major upgrades over the summer, our custodial staff was able to give each classroom and hallway a new coat of paint in addition to the thorough cleaning job they gave the entire school. Also, I am quickly learning that everyone in Stow knows that, “Mrs. O’Brien has got it covered.” Regardless of the widespread understanding of this saying, I have to give Mrs. O’Brien numerous thanks for getting the many “its” covered.

As I look into the year ahead, I am anticipating that my great joy in being a principal will absolutely continue at the Center School. One of the greatest parts of my job is being able to witness children learning and support their teachers in making that happen. I would also remind all of us that we are our child’s first and most important teacher. I look forward to sharing their growth and successes with all of you. Here’s to a great 2015-2016!

In partnership,

Ross Mulkerin  
Principal