What will today look like?

- **11 am - Mr. Turnbull – Welcome & Introductions:**
  - Ms. Vaccaro - Nurse
  - Mr. Kirwan – School Counselor
  - Mrs. Jordan– School Secretary
  - Mrs. Ananian– PTO President

- **11:10 am - Student will join Bear Tavern 5th graders for a tour of the school while parents listen to important information from the principal, nurse & counselor**

- **11:35 am - Q&A**
Camden Aquarium
Sandy Hook
Outdoor Learning Center
PTO
Historical Philadelphia
Book Fair
Bear Tavern
Science Fair
Assemblies
Philadelphia Zoo
The Holiday Gift Shop
BT PTO Communication

**Membership Toolkit**
- School calendar
- Volunteering opportunities
- School store
- Annual Appeal
- Bear Family information

**Bear Flash**
- Weekly bulletin
- Upcoming school events

**Sign-Up Genius**
- Classroom information
Don’t forget to grab a cup with important information from the Bear Tavern PTO before you leave today!
Daily Schedule:

■ School Day: 8:35 am – 3:30 pm
  - Students considered 'tardy' after 8:40 am

■ Early Dismissal
  - 8:35 am – 12:45 pm

■ Delayed Opening
  - 10:05 am – 3:30 pm

■ Lunches:
  - 10:40-11:30 – 4th Grade
  - 11:40-12:30 – Kindergarten, 2nd & 3rd Grade
  - 12:40-1:30 – 1st & 5th Grade
Lunch

- Traditional or Village Fresh Lunch - $3.00

Hopewell Valley Regional School District

Food Services

For more information about Hopewell Valley Regional School District schools and their students, visit www.hopewellvalley.org.

Go Cashless with PayForIt or Pay with Check or Cash

You have several school meal payment options. For more information, please review the information posted below.

- Meal Payment Options (2016-2017)
- PayForIt Meal Account Registration Instructions (2016-2017)

Summer Food Service Program

The USDA can help you find Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) locations. For more information, please read the SFSP Flyer posted below.

- Summer Food Service Program Flyer
Typical Arrival:

- Car Drop Off
- Bus Drop Off

8:20 am is earliest arrival time
DISMISSAL:

- 3:30 PM DISMISSAL STARTS
- CAR PICK UPS 3:32 PM
- BUSES LEAVE BY 3:45 PM
- AFTERCARE/ YMCA ACTIVITIES REPORT TO CAFETERIA AT DISMISSAL
On our opening day, we will be directing Kindergarten students directly to their classrooms. Parents can drop off with a BIG HUG, but we firmly believe that the best way to start the year and the first day off on a positive note for our Kindergarten students is to go directly to the nurturing and calm environment of their classroom. The opening remarks are a lot to handle for a brand new Kindergartener on the first day and often makes the transition into school more difficult. Please use the entrance under the canopy for drop off on day 1!
This year, we're adding a new component to our opening day; a "Clap in!":

What you need to know:
- As in the past, parents/guardians are welcome to spend some time with us for our opening morning 9/6/18 as we kick the year off! (see yellow area).
  - Just before students enter the building, we'll invite grown ups to move to the "clap in area" (see green) to cheer and to celebrate the start to an exciting year! Mr. Turnbull will give the signal for when it is time to move from the yellow area to the green area. Students will enter the building by the star.
Staying Connected:

District Website – www.hvrsd.org (Bear Tavern listed under “schools”)

OnCourse – Schedules, Assignments, Teacher Websites

Blackboard Connect – Mass Emails

Teacher Emails – firstname.lastname@hvrsd.org
Staying Connected (cont.):

**Twitter** - Follow us at:

+ @BearTavernES - Bear Tavern
+ @cturnbull15 - Mr. Turnbull
+ Always check:

#BearTavernPride
Sign up for text alerts from Bear Tavern Right to Your Phone.

Text the message “@btfamily(1-5)...” to the number 81010
So what's Next?

1. Reconnect with your child
2. Check in with the PTO New Family Welcome Committee
3. Go to the “Virtual Backpack” on the HVRSD Website (under Bear Tavern)
4. Sign up for “Remind” updates

5. Enjoy the weekend & get ready for a special year!