Dear Las Lomitas Families,

The first *Morning with the Principal* is scheduled for this Wednesday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 in Cano Hall. I will share information about the opening of school and answer questions. Topics include an update on our focus areas this year: Writing Workshop, technology, math pilot and facilities planning. I'll also discuss our Buddy Bench and ongoing efforts to provide a positive school climate. Everyone is welcome! I hope to see you there!

Are you **prepared for an emergency**? At Las Lomitas we have many systems in place to ensure the safety of your child during an emergency. We have drills to practice what to do in case of a fire, earthquake or cause to shelter-in-place. We also have district-wide communication systems to notify you immediately if needed. However, *we can only reach you if the contact information we have is correct*. Please, notify the school if you change email or phone numbers during the year. Be sure your child knows who you have authorized to pick them up if you aren't available. Children are instructed to not go home with someone without your permission. An emergency is already a confusing situation. Let's set this confusion aside now! Finally, be sure the adults who are emergency contacts know that they are listed and may be called. Safety is our number one priority. Thank you for your support and cooperation.

Continuing along with the safety theme, thank you to everyone who **signs in at the office** when arriving on campus. All visitors are expected to wear a name badge if they are going to be on campus other than going to the office ~ even if you are here for just a short time. You will be stopped and asked to return to the office if you do not have the badge visible during school hours. You do not need to sign in if you are on campus after hours, even on the minimum days.

Thank you to all of you who have **joined the PTA!** The PTA provides a wide variety of special activities for the students. With all the busy-ness of the first few weeks of school you may not have taken the time to join the PTA. If that's the case, simply go to laslomitaspta.org and sign up. While you are there, look at the many options for volunteering. There is something for everyone! I hope to see you at the first PTA event, the Pancake Breakfast, on September 20<sup>th</sup>. It's sure to be a great time for all.

For those of you who may not know, **every Friday is "Spirit Day"** at Las Lomitas. Be sure to wear your red and white! If you are interested in purchasing spirit wear, go to www.laslomitaspta.org. They have quite a selection!

Until next time, Sue