September 20, 2019

Dear Wilkins Community,

This morning, we had our first lockdown drill of the school year. The first week of the school year we had our first fire drill. We will also be having a shelter-in-place drill and an evacuation drill within the next few weeks.

As you know, the safety of your children is our top priority. Conducting drills throughout the school year is one way that we accomplish this. It is important to discuss these drills with your children so that they understand the importance of drills yet continue to feel safe in school.

First and foremost, reassure children that they are safe in school. Children need to know that the teachers and staff at school are always thinking about how to keep them safe. Remind children that we do lockdown drills for the same reason we do fire drills- to keep us all safe. Please continue to remind your children that it is very important that they listen to their teachers during all safety drills, such as when the school goes into lockdown, or when the fire alarm goes off.

It was fantastic to see so many of you at Back to School Night last night. Thank you for taking the time to see all that the children have been working on, and to learn more about our school’s expectations. As I said last night, we understand that you are entrusting us with your children for six hours each weekday. We take that responsibility very seriously and look forward to a continued partnership with you all.

Enjoy this beautiful fall weather.

Mrs. Monahan