Dear Annieville Families,

On Wednesday, April 20 @1:15, and Thursday, April 21 @2:00 students will still be dismissed 1 hour earlier from school. Staff members will use the early dismissal times to work on Student Portfolios that will be sent home the following week.

On Monday, April 25, students will take their conference portfolios home. Please set aside some time to see your child's work and the learning that has taken place this year. Teachers will require portfolios to be returned to school by Friday, April 29.

## WHY STUDENT LED CONFERENCES?

- Students develop ownership of their learning
- Students build independence
- Students take mids in their success
- Students identify areas for
- Students share knowledge and skills learned

**What is a Student-Led Conference?** Just as it sounds, a student-led conference is a conference with parents, led by the student. Students lead parents through a discussion of their work and established academic and social goals.

When students have the opportunity to show, explain and demonstrate their learning, they are not only communicating their accomplishments and understanding, but also sharing with you what and how they are learning, and the criteria for success. In addition, giving students this opportunity:

- develops your child's self-assessment and communication skills
- helps build the independence, confidence, self-esteem and pride of your child
- provides an opportunity for your child to receive supportive feedback to further their learning
- provides an opportunity to celebrate your child's learning.