
STRONG FOUNDATIONS CHARTER SCHOOL - Newsletter

 **Welcome Back to School, Strong Foundations Family!** 

We're so excited to kick off another fantastic school year at STRONG FOUNDATIONS CHARTER SCHOOL! 🍎📚 The halls are buzzing with energy, and we can't wait to see all the amazing learning and growth ahead. Whether you're welcoming new faces or reconnecting with familiar ones, this year promises to be full of inspiration and teamwork. Let's dive into all the great news and updates to get us started on the right foot!

☀️ **This Summer's Exciting Changes and New Faces** ☀️

We're thrilled to welcome some wonderful new teachers and staff who are moving into new positions or joining our Strong Foundations family this year:

- Mr. Belanger is moving into the new role of Principal. He is excited for this new position and looking forward to the new school year!
- Mrs. McClure will be moving into our new Director of Curriculum and Instruction position. Her position will primarily focus on providing your students with high quality instruction and promoting the school's mission of literacy.
- Mrs. Coldwell is stepping into her new role as a Kindergarten teacher after supporting our youngest learners as a classroom assistant for many years!
- Mrs. Taylor is moving from her role in teaching Orton Gillingham and Response to Intervention to lead her own Second Grade classroom!
- Mrs. DeFlumeri joins us from Barnstead Elementary as our new Third Grade teacher!
- Ms. Kazemi is coming from Andover Elementary to teach Fourth Grade!
- Mrs. Souza has moved upstairs to become our 6th Grade Math and Science teacher!
- Mr. Lemire joins us from Merrimack Valley as our new Seventh and Eighth Grade Science teacher!
- Mr. Spiegel is our new Seventh and Eighth Grade Language Arts teacher, coming from Parker Academy!
- Mrs. Bessey is stepping up from paraprofessional to lead Seventh and Eighth Grade Math classes.

We're also excited to welcome several new paraprofessionals who will be supporting our classrooms:

- Mrs. Bosia
- Ms. Warriner
- Mr. Roberts
- Mrs. Pitts

And a big shoutout to Mr. Belanger and Mr. Dunham for their hard work implementing our new Student Information System (SIS), Alma! 🎉 This powerful tool will help us manage attendance, grades, behavior reports, and so much more. We appreciate your patience as we all get comfortable with this new system.

🌱 This Month's Back-to-School Highlights 🌱

School Beautification Day – Monday, August 25th at 1:00 PM

Let's roll up our sleeves and make our school shine! Join us for a fun and productive clean-up day to get everything looking perfect for our students. Bring your gloves, rakes, or wheelbarrows if you have them, and let's make a difference together. Every helping hand counts!

Class Gathering – Thursday, August 28th, 2025

This is a wonderful chance for students and parents to meet their teachers in a relaxed setting. Here's the schedule:

- Kindergarten, Grade 1 & Grade 2: 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM
- Grades 3, 4 & 5: 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM
- Grades 6, 7 & 8: 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Students will spend the first half hour with their teacher while parents visit with administration in the gym, then switch for the second half hour. We hope to see everyone there!

🧺 Family Picnic – Thursday, September 11, 2025, 5:30–7:00 PM 🧺

Mark your calendars for our annual Family Picnic! This is a wonderful opportunity for families, students, teachers, staff, and our principal to come together and celebrate the start of a new school year. There will be delicious food, fun activities, and plenty of good times to share. We hope to see everyone there as we build connections and strengthen our SFCS community!

📌 Things to Remember 📌

- Please be patient and supportive as we transition to the Alma SIS system — your feedback and flexibility are invaluable!
- Don't forget to mark your calendars for the School Beautification Day and Class Gathering events.
- Keep an eye out for communications about any updates or tips on using Alma to streamline your work.
- Let's continue to foster a welcoming and collaborative environment for all our new and returning staff and students.

 **Let's Make This Year Unforgettable!** 

Here's to a year full of learning, laughter, and strong foundations for every student and staff member. Together, we'll build a community where everyone thrives. Thanks for all you do — let's make this the best year yet!   