

Building and Growing Our Future Together

Remember to celebrate the milestones as you prepare for the road ahead.

~ Nelson Mandela

January 31, 2021

Dear Lisa,

As we usher in 2021, we wish you health, happiness, and an eventual return to normalcy in daily life. As importantly, may this new year provide an opportunity to both reflect on important milestones, and look forward to the growth and opportunities that lie ahead.

In the spirit of celebrating milestones, we're eager to share the news that GCS is now up and running in our newly expanded and reimagined space at 110 Boston Road! Thanks to your support and the hard work of GCS staff and many community members, this work on the first phase of the *Forward Motion Project* was completed on time to welcome children back to our home base in early January.

Since our move "back home," children are quickly settling into their routines in new and thoughtfully designed learning spaces. Similarly, teachers are making use of improved areas for curriculum work, collaboration, and communication with families. Meanwhile, we're still fine-tuning a few details, including some playground and landscaping work to be completed in the near future.

Thank you for helping us to reach this important milestone in the

*Forward Motion Campaign*. While there is more work to do to achieve all of our goals, we recognize that our progress on this first phase has been possible because of loyal supporters like you.

We can't wait to be able to share and celebrate the transformation of our school with you in person! Until then, thank you for your continued commitment to GCS and *Forward Motion*.

With all of my best wishes,

Jensie Maciforald

Debbie MacDonald GCS Trustee

## How You Can Help

It is exciting to be back home at 110 Boston Road. To fully realize our design and equipment plans for Phase One of the *Forward Motion Project* we still need your help!

Please Donate to Forward Motion

## **Our Progress in Pictures**

Look how far the *Forward Motion Project* has come because of your generous support by visiting our <u>Moving Forward – Phase One</u> photo journal. Check out some of the new spaces below. Stay tuned for further progress updates!



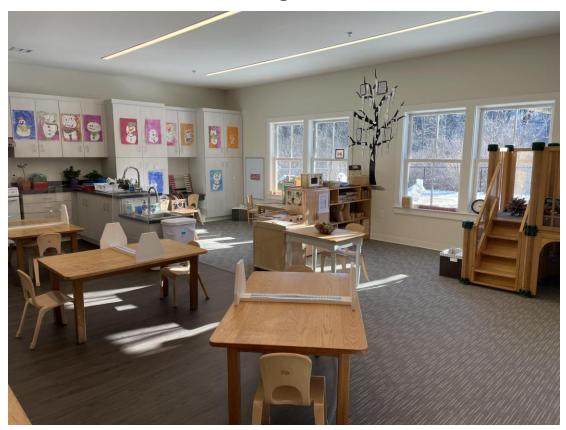
Welcome to Groton Community School!



GCS Main Hallway with Plenty of Room for the Children's Belongings



The Big Room



A Newly Expanded Classroom



The New Children's Library and Technology Center