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Dear Prince Street family,

It is with deep regret that we inform you about a recent loss to our school community. On Thursday, November 22, 2018, a second-grade student, Kaleb Chatmon, student passed away as a result of a car accident. We extend our sincere condolences to the Chatmon family. Our thoughts, prayers, and support are with them during this difficult time.

Prince Street has a Crisis Intervention Team made up of professionals trained to help with the needs of students, parents, and school personnel at difficult times such as this. We will have additional district support on hand on Monday, November 26, to assist students, staff and families who may need support.

It is important that we recognize this loss and offer help. This is a sensitive issue for children, and we suggest that you talk with your child about their feelings. We have listed below some information that may be useful to you in helping your child at home.

- Tell the truth. Talk about death vs. “going to sleep.”
- Allow for your child to talk about feelings. If this is the first loss your child has experienced, your child may not know how to respond and will be looking for your guidance.
- Affirm all expressions. It’s okay to express feelings honestly. Tolerate the expressions rather than dismissing them or discouraging the expression of feelings.
- Encourage for written expressions such notes, letters, pictures to the family etc.
- Reaffirm that your child is safe and that your child is loved.
- Affirm that your child’s reaction is normal and you understand the way the child’s feels.
- Watch for signs of trouble such as aggression, withdrawal etc.
- Help the children return to as normal routine as possible.
- with death.

On behalf of Prince Street Elementary School, we extend our sincere condolences to the student’s family on this sad occasion. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to give me a call at 410-677-5813.

Sincerely,

Jason L. Miller
Principal



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