



Hello Bridgeport Families!

Students have come back from the winter break refreshed and ready to learn! In our Second Step lessons, we are learning to use our calming down skills to avoid jumping to conclusions. Similarly, we are learning how to solve problems as they arise.

Between March 2-23, we will be fundraising for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (LLS) through an initiative called Pennies for Patients. We are collecting any monetary donations (from pennies to bills) for those children sick with blood cancer. The LLS's mission is to cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease, and myeloma, and to improve the quality of life for patients and their families. Any funds we collect will go directly to the LLS and will go towards their research and resources to find a cure for these diseases. Our Bridgeport students and families can become part of the hero squad for these children who fight for their lives every day. There will be a container for donations in the main lobby of our school and a container in each classroom. Every student will receive a ziplock bag to carry their donations to school throughout the 3 weeks of the fundraiser. A parent letter with detailed information about the fundraiser will be going home with your child before the collection begins. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. We appreciate all donation and we thank you for your compassion!!

- Ms. Orioli



Bridgeport Beacon



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Bridgeport Elementary School

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March 2020

3/2/20	Kindergarten Registration	9:30 AM - 2:30 PM
3/2/20	SCC Dance	3:15 PM - 5:15 PM
3/2/20	Scrapbooking Club	3:15 PM - 4:15 PM
3/3/20	Kindergarten Registration	5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
3/3/20	PTA Meeting	6:00 PM
3/4/20	Grade 1 Cup Stacking Club	3:15 PM - 4:15 PM
3/5/20	Grade 2 Cup Stacking Club	3:15 PM - 4:15 PM
3/9/20	SCC Dance	3:15 PM - 5:15 PM
3/9/20	Scrapbooking Club	3:15 PM - 4:15 PM
3/10/20	Empower Dollar Dog Banking	8:20 AM - 8:45 AM
3/10/20	Board of Education Meeting	6:30 PM / CMS
3/11/20	Grade 1 Cup Stacking Club	3:15 PM - 4:15 PM
3/12/20	Grade 2 Cup Stacking Club	3:15 PM - 4:15 PM
3/12/20	Bridgeport STEAM Night	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
3/13/20	Supt. Conference Day - NO SCHOOL	
3/16/20	SCC Dance	3:15 PM - 5:15 PM
3/16/20	Scrapbooking Club	3:15 PM - 4:15 PM
3/18/20	Grade 1 Cup Stacking Club	3:15 PM - 4:15 PM
3/19/20	Grade 2 Cup Stacking Club	3:15 PM - 4:15 PM
3/20/20	Character Ed Assembly	2:00 PM
3/23/20	SCC Dance	3:15 PM - 5:15 PM
3/23/20	Scrapbooking Club	3:15 PM - 4:15 PM
3/24/20	Empower Dollar Dog Banking	8:20 AM - 8:45 AM
3/24/20	Board of Education Meeting	6:30 PM / CMS
3/25/20	NYS ELA Testing	
3/25/20	Grade 1 Cup Stacking Club	3:15 PM - 4:15 PM
3/26/20	NYS ELA Testing	
3/26/20	Grade 2 Cup Stacking Club	3:15 PM - 4:15 PM
3/30/20	SCC Dance	3:15 PM - 5:15 PM
3/30/20	Scrapbooking Club	3:15 PM - 4:15 PM
3/31/20	Courageous Conversations	9:00 AM



PRINCIPAL'S PAD

PARP Thank You - What an amazing team we have with staff, PTA, and our community members that made PARP so special for our students this year. The transformation into Candy Land is like nothing I have ever experienced. Students read over 3,000 books during our celebration. What an amazing accomplishment! It is sure to be a wonderful lifetime memory for students and families.

Internet Safety - "In many ways the internet is like a gigantic library; both have content to teach and entertain. And similar to the content in a library, not all internet content is appropriate for children. Libraries create children's and young adults' sections in order to help youth (and their parents) identify which materials are appropriate for them. On the internet, however, all of the content may be equally accessible. Children do not have to look hard to find inappropriate content; it is as easy as typing a word into the search bar on Google. Even blocking, filtering, and monitoring software can be overcome by a determined child. A child may also accidentally click the wrong link or misspell a web address and be led to websites with inappropriate content. That is why when it comes to dealing with Internet searches and use, adult guidance and supervision are always key".

What can parents do to prevent inappropriate internet activity?

- Generate a list of expectations for using electronic devices and going online with your children. Being clear about what they can and cannot do will help them to make responsible choices.
- If your children have any online accounts, make sure you're aware of how the site or app works. Most websites require that children are at least 13 years of age before creating an account. Children don't always abide by that rule.
- If you choose to let your children use your smartphones, be aware of what they are doing when they use it.
- Keep your computer in a high-traffic area of your home. Children should not be going online in their bedrooms.
- Remember that your children can go onto the internet, youtube or a social network on mobile devices, too. Require your children to use these devices when you are present so that you can monitor them.
- Learn all of your children's passwords and monitor their activities.

For more information please check out the website:
<https://www.netmartzkids.org/>

Attendance Fact - "Attending school regularly and on-time helps children feel good about school and themselves. It is essential that students understand that going to school on time, every day is important." - attendanceworks.org



March Bridgeport PTA News

PARP was a huge success! **Thank you to all of our community readers.** Your involvement was very helpful. Our children seemed to enjoy the fun and excitement of reading and seeing our PARP mascots from Candy Land. Students were treated to ice cream after the closing ceremony.

Gertrude Hawk in-person orders (forms and money) are due March 3rd. Please make sure checks are made payable to "Bridgeport PTA". Gertrude Hawk online orders continue through March 5th for free delivery to the school and April 5th for paid home delivery. Please go to www.gertrudehawk.com and select fundraising. **Use code 702227** so that our school gets credit. **The Gertrude Hawk Candy sale order pick up will be during the week of March 30th.** Exact date will be sent home once finalized. Thank you for your support!

Our next PTA Meeting is Tuesday, March 3rd at 6 p.m. in our school library.

Meetings last about an hour. Hope to see you then!

Sincerely,

2019-2020 PTA Board



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