BUSANSKY BUZZ WHAT'S HAPPENING IN SCHOOL?

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Some Words from the Principal, Mrs. DiBella

April 3

Family Fun Learning 5-7 PM

Please RSVP

April 5

Book Fair Begins

Snack Attack

April 9

Spring Pictures

PTO Meeting@4PM

Technology Safety

Workshop@Stackhouse School

April 11

Report Cards Come Home

April 12

Purple-Up Day

Military Child Breakfast from 8:30-9:30

AM

Academic Awards Assemblies

George 3-10-00 AM

Grade 5-10:40 AM

Grade 4-2:50 PM

April 12

PTO-Read-A-Thon Begins

April 16

GATE Nipht@6 PM

April 17

Drama Club Presents-2 PM (students

and 6 PM (fimilies)

April 18

PTO PJ & Movie Day

Early Dismissal @ 1:45 PM

Spring Break Begins

School Opens on April 29th!

Greetings Busansky Families,

Happy Spring! Just waiting, though, for the weather to change from cool to warm. Our students love to be outside learning and running!

The third marking period closes on April 5th. Report Cards come home on April 11th. I can't believe we are ready to begin the final quarter of the school year! Let's sprint our way through the final weeks focused on our good character and academic goals! Awards Assemblies will take place on April 12th: Grade 3@10:00, Grade 5@10:40, and Grade 4@2:50 PM. Your invitation to the celebration is with your child's report card. Please call the office, if you expect to attend.

Military Appreciation and Military Child Breakfast

April 12th is Purple-Up Day to honor the service of our military. Also, on this day, students with parents in the military are invited for breakfast with their families from 8:30-9:30 AM. Invitations coming! Please, everyone dress-up in purple this day!

NJSLA Testing

New Jersey's Student Learning Assessments will begin the week of April 15th. A schedule of testing days and times will come home shortly. Please be mindful of these testing days in regard to preparation and absence.

Attendance

Let's honor our 23 Perfect Attendance students who have not a missed day since the opening day of school! Let's congratulate the 124 students who have missed 4 or less days of school. Keeping in mind that every minute, every day counts, please help to make sure all of our

students are where they need to be each day-learning. Please secure doctors' notes to validate missing school.

Character Education

April is INTEGRITY month. During this month, classes are studying integrity and learning all they need to know about being people of integrity. Lots of poems have come in. There is still time to send in your poem by April 18th.

FASTT Math Champions

Congratulations to D. Williams and M. Macavoy (Grade 3), M. Murchison, C. Ortega, M. Baker, C. Henry, Tyler Branson, C. Gant, and J. Lin (Grade 4) and K. Patel (Grade 5) for being superstar math facts experts! All operations completed!

One Book One School

The reading of <u>Because of Mr. Terupt</u> will conclude prior to spring break with culminating activities about the theme, characters, and creating 99 cents words. Next contest for words ends April 5th.

Our Nurse, Ms. Gomba

Please send out happy thoughts to Ms. Gomba as she recuperates from a broken ankle. We miss you, Ms. Gomba! Get well soon!





Our School Counselor, Ms. O'Malley

Hello Busansky,

In just a few weeks, our 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students will be challenging their intellect as they tackle the New Jersey Student Learning Assessment (NJSLA). As testing time rapidly approaches, teachers and staff are confidently preparing – reviewing practice questions, teaching all students how to use the online tools, and explaining policies and procedures. I am proud to say we have been working

HARD, and we are ready to do our BEST!

Remember before your testing day, complete the following:

- 1. Get a GOOD night sleep.
- 2. Eat a healthy, balanced breakfast.
- 3. Stay positive. Remind yourself to "Be calm".

- 4. Dress comfortable.
- 5. Take some slow, deep belly breaths. Breath in through your nose for 4 seconds, hold for 2 seconds, and breath out through your mouth slowly for 8 seconds.

You can find for information on the NJSLA by visiting https://nj.mypearsonsupport.com/.

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Our School Security Officer, Mr. Baker

Hello Busansky family!

Arrival/Dismissal

REMINDERS:

I would once again like to remind you that the doors to the school do not open until 9:00 am. It is advisable to not drop off prior to that time, so your child is not waiting in the elements. If it is absolutely necessary to drop off prior to 9:00 or your child is a walker, please ensure they are properly dressed for the weather.

Please do not arrive to pick up your child if you are everyday pick up until 3:40 the earliest. This is for the safe navigation of the busses and so the fire lane stays clear. A more favorable option is to park across the street near the park and our crossing guard and Safety Patrol will safely cross your child over to you.

Please do not park on the grass. Driving across the sidewalks, (*especially at arrival and dismissal times*) is a violation of New Jersey motor vehicle laws and you can run the risk of being issued a summons.

If you need any clarification or have any questions or concerns, you can call my office at any time.

Safety Patrol

The Safety Patrol is out and about in our hallways on the bus platform and at the crosswalks helping their peers and visitors safely navigate around. Our newly expanded Jr. Safety Patrol program is also in full swing! Select 3rd and 4th graders get to shadow the patrollers for a week in "A Day in the Life Of". Feel free to say hi as you see them.

Stay tuned for more information on their next safety talk program which will cover Bike Safety.

If you would like more information on the Safety Patrol please visit the Safety Patrol section of the Busansky School website. You can find us under the "Clubs and Activities" tab.

Congratulations to Brody G. our March Safety Patrol of the Month!

Peer Mediation

If you would like more information on our mediation program please feel free to contact myself or Ms. O'Malley at any time.

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All Gertrude Hawk Chocolates fundraising orders will be available for pick-up on Wednesday, April 3rd, from 3:45-6pm. If you are unable to pick up your order during that time, it will be placed in the front office.

The Book Fair you've all been waiting for is here! The Scholastic Buy One Get One Free (of equal or lesser value), on ALL items is from April 5-11. Students will shop during their regularly scheduled library time. The Book Fair will also be open during the Military Child breakfast, and for make-up shopping on Friday, April 12th, from 8:30am-10:30am. This is the perfect opportunity to stock up on books for the summer, and for our upcoming Read-a-thon!

We are holding a Read-a-thon from April 15 - 30. And the best part... this will be the last fundraiser of the school year! Yes, the dates fall during Spring Break, so there is plenty of prime reading time to be had The students have an opportunity to win some cool prizes, while helping to raise funds for their Field Day (in June), and end of school year events. Keep an eye out for the Read-a-thon flyer coming home soon!

May is the last month for Box Tops collection, so please send in any Box Tops you have been holding on to. Did you know that each valid Box Top is worth \$0.10? All those Box Tops add up each month, and the funds help to support programs and events for all our students. Each classroom has a Box Tops envelope which is collected and counted on the last school day of each month. This year, we have an awesome, huge, traveling trophy that will go to the classroom with the highest collection of Box Tops each month! And of course, don't forget the epic bragging rights! Please save and send in your Box Tops. They do not need to be on a Box Tops sheet...in a baggie is perfectly fine.



Yearbook

Yearbook compilation is underway! Order forms will be going home shortly. Congratulations to Jaden Reynolds for winning the Yearbook Cover Contest. With all of the wonderful and exciting events we've had all year, we have many pictures to add.

This newsletter will be published once a month to keep you updated of all the happenings at our school. If you have any news to share, please email Mrs. McGuinness (smcguinness@pemb.org) with your information. Thank you.



CLASS
ASSIGNMENTS
Keep caught up on all
your class & homework
assignments.
Get plenty of sleep.