

BUSANSKY BUZZ

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN SCHOOL?

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January 2, 2020
Welcome Back!
Character Connection Day-Integrity

January 14, 2020
PTO Meeting@ 4PM

January 17, 2020
Snack Attack
4th grade Publishing Party @
11:30AM

January 20, 2020
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day-No
School

January 21, 2020
National Elementary Honor Society
Inductions @ 6PM @ Helen Fort
Middle School

January 30, 2020
Pretzel Sales

January 31, 2020
Teacher In-service-No School for
Students

A Word from the Principal, Mrs. DiBella

Greetings Busansky Families!

Happy New Year! I hope everyone is ready for 2020 and is looking forward to new learning and the fun of school, yet to come. I hope that you enjoyed your winter break and had many opportunities to celebrate with family and friends. It is wonderful to be back in school and begin fresh with new goals and new learning. Take some time as a family to discuss your plan for the new year. If I can help you out, in any way, please let me know. Finally, share your smile, share some kindness, and most of all, have a wonderful new year!

Character Education

Third grade assembled our students and staff to share a song and highlights of students performing service. Congratulations to our Service Award students: Grade 5-Blake Servon and Sydney Taylor, Grade 4-Taniah Johnson and Naima Johnson, Grade 3-Zy'Ariah Flowers and Ximena Garcia.

January and February are Integrity months. Students will read stories, share integrity moments, and practice their core value of integrity. Please look for an Integrity at-home project to come home this month-Sprinkles Sparkle With Integrity!



Paw Prides have been awarded to M. Baker, A. Ferreira, C. Ortega, R. Sposato, E. Farayibi, G. Zawalich, L. Dunston-Lord, and M. Warrick for giving service to others. This can mean doing extra kind deeds this past month for their friends or staff.



Attendance

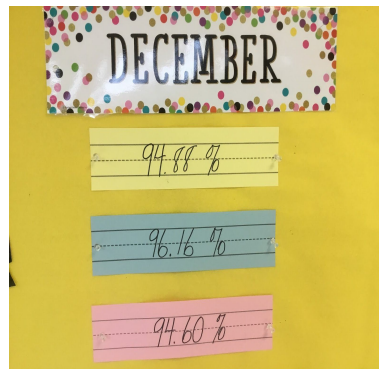
Every minute, every day! As of today, there are **243** students with **4 or less** absences and **51** students with perfect attendance. It is not easy to come to school every day but learning is important and we don't want you to miss a thing! Our school wide attendance goal is 15 or less

absent students per day or 95.4% of our school in school each day. Please encourage our children to get to school on time and every day! Please secure doctors' notes to validate missing school.

All of our individual classrooms have achieved 17 days of Perfect Attendance and have been celebrated for this accomplishment. **Rooms 3, 9, 16, and 19** have counted 2 cycles of perfect attendance (17 days of perfect attendance). Our TEAM is here to support our students, staff and families in assisting our students to become confident, competent learners. If at any time you have questions or concerns about your child and their learning outcomes and needs, please contact us.

Attendance percentage

Fourth grade wins the



for December-3rd, 4th, 5th grade.

month of December!



A Message from Ms. O'Malley



HAPPY 2020!

Through your generosity, we have collected an ENORMOUS amount of toys and gifts for our Busansky students in need this holiday season! From the bottom of our hearts, we THANK YOU SO MUCH!

NOW that we have returned from winter break, Ms. Finnegan and I will be meeting with our Student Ambassadors to brainstorm what is next for our Phil Up Phil fundraiser! Our students have so many wonderful service ideas that each month will be switching it up. Stay tuned

"Giving is not just about making a donation, it's about making a difference." - Kathy Calvin

Community Resources: Click the hyperlinks → [Youth Community Resource Guide](#) , [Food Pantries](#) , [Burlington Resource Net](#) , & [Burlington Community Action Partnership](#)

Working together,

Ms. Brittney O'Malley



Our School Nurse, Ms. Gomba

Welcome to 2020!

Cleanliness is a reflection of how your child sees him/herself. Good hygiene is a very important part of your child's self-esteem and helps determine his/her ability to do his/her best school work. Hygiene also plays a big role in his/her relationships with other children. If you start at an early age to teach your child good hygiene, it will help establish lifelong habits that promote good health. Below are some general guidelines for good hygiene to prevent body and clothing odors. *Be aware of soiled clothing and odors that may originate from household animals.*

1. *Children should wear clean clothes, underwear, and socks every day.*
2. *Children should have their hands and face washed, and their hair combed every morning before school.*
3. *Children should brush their teeth every morning before coming to school and every night before going to bed. Parents should check brushing effectiveness regularly.*
4. *Children should take a bath and wash their hair at least three times a week. Children who are diapered, bed wetters or who play outdoors frequently should bath daily.*
5. *Children's fingernails should be trimmed and cleaned regularly.*

Nicole Gomba, RN, BSN, CSN



Our School Security Officer, Mr. Baker

Happy New Year and Welcome Back!

Arrival/Dismissal

As the weather gets colder, please keep in mind 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 keep in mind that dismissal does not begin until 3:45. We ask that you do not begin to arrive to 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.*

Safety Patrol

The Safety Patrol will begin their lessons with Ms. O'Malley learning all about the Lizzie Sider Anti-Bully program this month. These lessons are based around the Lizzie Sider saying "Nobody has the power to ruin your day". To learn more about Lizzie and the program they will be presenting in February visit the Safety Patrol section of the Busansky website.

Congratulations to Analy J. our December Safety of the Month!!!

If you ever have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me at any time.

Just a few reminders:

- Student arrival starts at 9:00 am. Please DO NOT arrive and park in the drop off line prior to 8:50 am. Arriving any earlier disrupts the flow of traffic and staff trying to get to the staff parking lot. Dismissal begins at 3:45 pm. If you are doing everyday pickup, please try not to arrive more than **5 minutes** prior to dismissal and do not line up in front of the school until the bell rings as that is a fire lane and needs to remain open as long as possible
- Please have and show a valid form of ID **EVERY** time you pick up your child from the building.
- If you have someone pick up your child other than you (the parent/guardian) they **MUST** be on your emergency list. Exceptions will only be made on a case by case basis and with a note signed by the parent/guardian sent in advance or an email to either the security office (sbaker@pemb.org) or main office (smcguinness@pemb.org) from the parents **Genesis registered** email address.

If you ever have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me at any time.

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January 14, 2019 @ 4PM

PTO News

This newsletter will be published once a month to keep you updated on 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.