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Principal's News

What a great start to the school year! The open house was extremely well attended and the Darling's ice cream truck was very popular. It was great to see all the new outfits and smiles Wednesday when the busses arrived.

With a new school year comes several new staff members. Please join me in welcoming Miss Croce (first-grade), Ms. Sutherland (SpEd), Ms. Roberts (SpEd), Mr. Priest (Ed Tech), and Ms. Day (Ed Tech). We are excited to have them join the EPB team.

The first newsletter of the year is always a little different. Normally there's lots of information about what the classrooms are doing and upcoming events, but this newsletter is more an FYI type. Below you will find several important items that I wanted to draw your attention to and for some it will serve as some reminders.

Mr. Loiselle

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Remembering Mrs. Murchie

As most of you know our long-standing secretary, Mrs. Murchie, retired last December and passed this summer. To recognize all she did for the EPB community we have planted a smoke tree as a remembrance. You will notice it to the left as you are walking into the building. It will stand looking over the office for years to come.

Dismissal Calls

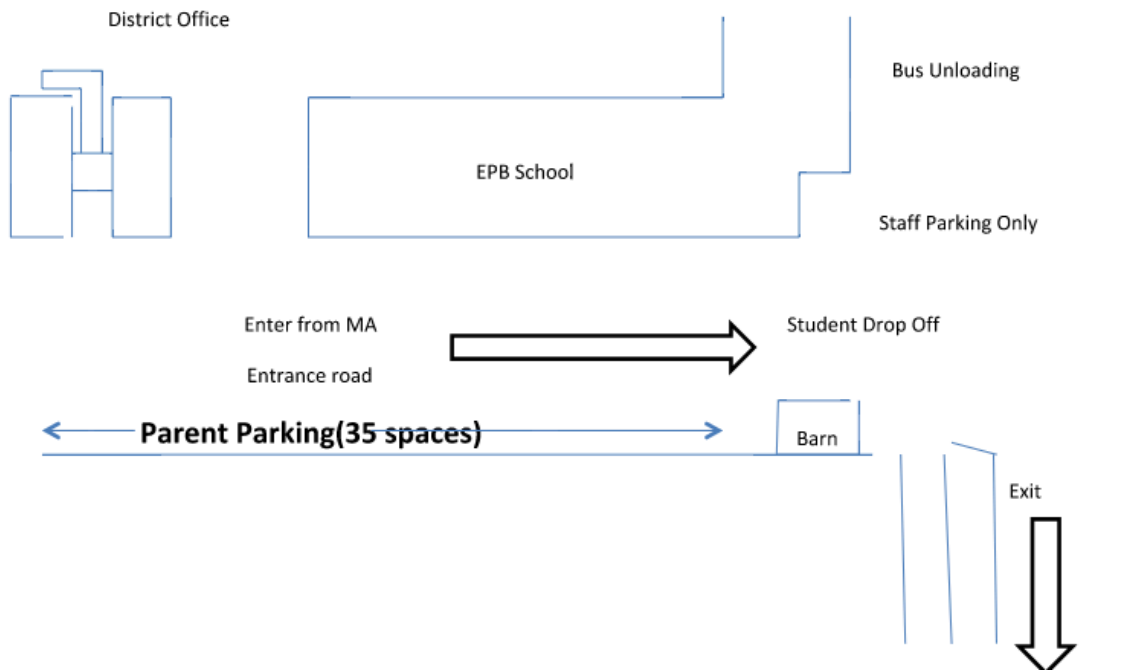
A request to have a child excused from classes early should be sent with the child on the morning of the dismissal. The time and reason for leaving school should be included. When possible, medical and dental appointments should be made outside school hours. Plans for where children are going after school should be made before school begins. Phone calls to change plans for dismissal must be made BEFORE 1:30 pm. Thank you for your cooperation.

Picture Day

October 9

Drop Learners Off by the Office

Parents are asked to drop off their child outside the office door and are being asked not to walk their learner to their classroom due to security concerns.



Parent/Visitor Parking

When dropping your child off or picking them up at the beginning of the day, please avoid parking in the front parking lot. By following the flow in the map above you will help make our parking lot a safer place for all learners. During bus arrival and departure, the front parking lot becomes very busy. By parking next to the school and in the back parking lot you will help us make EPB safe for our learners. Thank you for your cooperation.

Attendance and Tardy

Ella P. Burr believes that consistent school attendance contributes to better learner performance. We also believe that learners must be responsible for their attendance.

Excusable Absences and Tardiness: State law allows excusable absences (or tardiness) only for the following: personal illness, religious holidays, appointments with health professionals and emergency family situations and planned absences for personal or educational purposes (family vacation) which have been prior-approved by the Principal.

If these reasons are not communicated to the school, the absence will remain unexcused. School officials are required to monitor and respond appropriately when students are considered habitually truant by law. A habitually truant student is defined as a student who has 7 full days of unexcused absences or 5 consecutive school days of unexcused absences during a school year.

Procedure after an Absence:

Please call the school on the day your child is absent and provide a reason for absence.

If you are unable to contact the school on the day of absence, you must send an absent note when your child returns to school.

Tardiness:

Learners who are not in homeroom by **7:45 am** will be marked **tardy** and must report to the office before going to class. Learners who are chronically tardy not only disrupt their learning but the learning of their classmates as well.

Learners must bring a note from their parent or guardian indicating the reason for being tardy.