

Memorial School Weekly Email

January 2, 2020

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IMPORTANT DATES

Friday, January 17th - Early Release Day (No AMK)

Monday, January 20th - No School (MLK Day)

Friday, January 31st - Spirit Day (Hat Day)

Principal's Message

Dear Memorial Families,

Happy New Year! I hope that you all had the happiest of holidays and a wonderful winter break.

There are a few things that I'd like to put on/back on your radar that will be happening over the next couple of weeks:

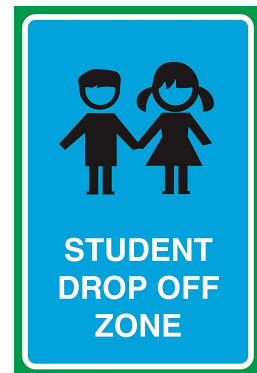
- Tomorrow, Friday, January 3rd will be Patriots Spirit Day! Wear your Pat's gear or team colors.
- Current PreK families who have pre-registered their child(ren) for preschool in the 2020/21 school year will be notified on Monday, January 6th as to acceptance into their requested program.
- Kindergarten walk-in registration for the 2020/21 school year begins next week. To register your child, please plan to attend one of the following walk-in registration dates
 - Tuesday, January 7th from 9AM - 12PM



- Thursday, January 9th from 5PM - 7:30 PM
- Friday, January 17th from 12:30 PM - 3PM
- The Memorial Site Council will meet on Monday, January 13th to review the data from the Site Council Survey and begin working to develop the 2020-2022 School Improvement Plan. Thank you to all took the time to complete the survey and share your thoughts/suggestions.
- The Memorial PTO will meet on Wednesday, January 15th at 9AM in the Teachers' Lounge. All are welcomed to attend.
- PreK pre-registration for new families opens on Tuesday, January 21st.
- Our next Principal's Coffee will be held on Monday, January 27th at 9AM in the LMC. Our behavior specialist and school psychologist will be presenting. More details to follow.

IMPORTANT REMINDER ABOUT MORNING DROP-OFF

Parents may drop their children off for school **no earlier than** 8:10 a.m. Supervision does not begin until 8:10 a.m. All students arriving between 8:10-8:25 a.m. should be dropped off at the **North Street lot**. Please follow the traffic pattern and then look for the staff member on duty who will greet and direct your child to the playground (weather permitting) or to the gymnasium. After 8:25 a.m., parents must bring their child to the main office to sign him/her in.



Please note that drop off via the Adams Street lot is STRICTLY PROHIBITED between 8:10-8:25 a.m. This is a safety recommendation from our school resource officer due to the traffic flow of the school buses. Thank you for your cooperation.



OUTSIDE RECESS GUIDELINES

Please be sure to send children to school with appropriate winter clothing for outdoor recess. In addition, please label your child's items as our lost & found box continues to grow. In most cases, we use the thermometer to determine if the children go outside for recess. If the temperature is below

20 degrees (with or without the windchill) the kids will stay inside for recess. Otherwise, we head outside for fresh air as long as the conditions on the playground are safe. Decisions regarding recess are made as close to the lunch block as possible to allow for the sun to (hopefully) work some magic. If the temperatures are below 20 degrees in the morning, the children enter the building and wait in the gymnasium until the start of the school day.



**Spirit Day is Friday, January 31st!
The theme is Hat Day!**



A MESSAGE FROM MEMORIAL PTO...



VOLUNTEER OPENINGS!

We need a few more chair/co-chair positions filled for volunteering later in the year. These include:

- **Read Across America:** Volunteer(s) will help organize a literacy focused, week-long event and recruit members of the community to be visiting readers in the classrooms. Read Across America Week is in the Spring.
- **Memorial Spring Event:** Work with the PTO and principal to create a school wide event for the Memorial School community. The date for this event is Friday, May 29th with the rain date of Friday, June 5th.
- **The School Supply Fundraiser** sells school kits for incoming students. The fundraiser will start in spring 2020 and delivery of kits will happen in August 2020.
- **Kindergarten T-shirts:** if you have a current Kindergartener, PTO is looking for someone to organize the orders for the Class of 2032 t-shirts in the spring.

You can also email Diana Frascella (dianafrascella@gmail.com) if you are interested in any of these positions.

PTO DUES: New this year: pay your dues through PayPal!

Dues make it possible for the PTO to operate and cover academic enrichment, classroom celebrations, field days, teacher appreciation activities and other school/class needs. Our suggested amount is \$30 per student. Dues are dispersed evenly to our K-8 schools based on the number of students in the school. Therefore, you may submit your dues in one payment even if you have multiple children at different schools. Visit medfieldk8pto.com to pay your dues via PayPal or send a check to:

Medfield K-8 PTO
PO Box 387
Medfield, MA 02052

ONGOING FUNDRAISERS:

Get your Medfield Warrior signs, coasters, trays, etc! Rustic Marlin Designs has designed a line of wood-based Medfield Warrior products (signs, coasters, flags, trays, blocks, etc.) for Be Charmed, located at 70 North Street. 75% of the profits from the sale of the Warrior line will go to both the PTO and MCPE! It's a great way to get Warrior merchandise while supporting a new local shop *and* raising money for our schools! GET YOURS TODAY!



Bay State Textiles

An easy fundraiser that generates \$100 per ton on textiles collected for the Medfield K-8 PTO, saves the town money on disposal fees *and* helps the environment!

This is what you do:

Gather the items you were planning on throwing away or donating

Put them in a bag

Deliver the bags to one of the textile donation boxes located outside each school, the transfer station or Hinkley Pond.

Don't forget to invite your family, friends, & neighbors to participate!

Bay State Textiles will accept all CLEAN & DRY clothing, shoes, pocketbooks, linens, stuffed animals and accessories. Visit baystatetextiles.com for a detailed list of items.



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