

Memorial School Weekly Email

December 15, 2022

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IMPORTANT DATES

Monday, December 12th - 16th - Memorial School Food Drive

Monday, December 19th - December 23rd - Spirit Week

Friday, December 23rd - Early Release Day (No PM Preschool)

Monday, December 26th - Friday, December 30th - No School (December Vacation)

Monday, January 2nd - No School (New Years Day)

Dear Families,

Tomorrow is the final day of the **Memorial School Food Drive**. Thank you so much to all of our families who donated! If you have any final items, please send them in by tomorrow morning.

Outdoor Recess - With the arrival of our first snowfall, the snow gear is back! Weather permitting, we will be going outside as long as the temperature (with or without the windchill) is 20 degrees or higher. If there is snow on the ground, students need boots and snowpants to be able to play on snow covered areas. As a reminder, please label your child's items. Thank you!

As a reminder, next week is Spirit Week at the Memorial School. Please see below for details.

Memorial School- Spirit Week - December 19 - 23

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
19	20	21	22	23
*Wear something that shows off a winter character (Grinch, elf, Olaf, snowman, reindeer...)	*Merry & Bright - wear something bright, sparkly, or shiny.	*Wear a festive holiday sweater or sweatshirt!	*Mad About Plaid! Wear your favorite plaid shirt, plaid scarf, and/or plaid hat!	*'Twas the Friday before holiday break and all through the school, the staff and students were in PJ's (or comfy clothes), and looking so fresh and so cool.

Winter Celebration Parties will be held on December 23rd for all Grade One, Kindergarten and Preschool students in Mrs. DeGeorge and Miss Christine's classes. Miss Kate's M/W/F class will have their party on Wednesday, December 21st and the T/Th class will celebrate on December 22nd. During the party, students will be able to enjoy their "**Party in a Bag**" snacks. Families are asked to please send your child to school with a brown paper lunch bag (decorating is optional) filled with a few of your child's favorite food items. Some examples are: juice box or mini water bottle, small salty snack, fun sweet snack (cupcake, cookie). Additional items could be a piece of fruit, a small yogurt, or any additional healthy snack. Thank you!

Kindergarten pre- registration for the 2023-2024 school year is now open and will close on January 6, 2023. We ask all families to please pre-register as it assists us with our planning. The pre-registration link can be found [here](#). Thank you in advance for your help with this process.

Kindergarten registration forms for the 2023-2024 school year will be available on the website beginning on January 17th. Once you have completed the registration packet, please print it and either deliver it to the Memorial School where you can place it in the drop box at the main entrance between 8AM - 4PM (M-F) or mail it to the address below. Please note that we must receive your packet either in the drop box or it must be postmarked as of February 10, 2023 for your child to be included in the full day kindergarten selection process (if needed). Families will be notified of acceptance or need of a selection process by March 3, 2023. If you do not have access to a computer or printer, please contact Irene McNeil at 508-359-5135.

Medfield's Destination Imagination organization is looking for volunteers to be appraisers at either of the regional tournaments (March 4th in Medfield or March 12th in Beverly). It is the perfect opportunity for someone 18 years or older (and out of high school) who would like to spend the day praising the accomplishments of each dedicated and hugely creative Destination Imagination team and awarding as many points as possible. It is truly a fun day spent enjoying the creativity of students in grades 3-12 and is a great community volunteer opportunity for anyone- college students, retired folks, those who have previously participated in Destination Imagination, etc.). Contact uflindsay@gmail.com for more information and learn about Destination Imagination at destinationimagination.org.



Lost and Found

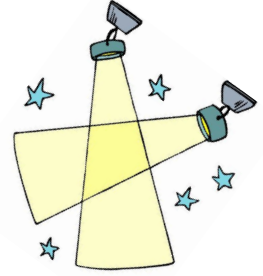
If you are missing any items, please feel free to drop by and check out the lost & found bin. The bin is overflowing with coats, sweatshirts, hats and gloves. The lost & found bin is located in the main office.

Please Note: All Lost and Found items not claimed by the end of the day, Friday, December 23rd, will be donated.

SPECIALISTS SPOTLIGHT

From The Art Room

Memorial students have been creating some amazing art this month! Kindergartners practiced their drawing skills in November. We looked at many objects, whether they were toys, fake flowers, or sea shells, and drew what we saw. Students learned about values (darks and light) to make their objects appear real.



Kindergarten also started some “Ish” sculptures. After reading the book *Ish*, by Peter H. Reynolds, students created model magic sculptures that were creatively imperfect. We created ish- cats, ish-cars, and ish- people. It was so fun to see what ish-ideas they picked for their sculpture!

In first grade, students have been working on color and emotion paintings. Students were given only red, yellow, blue, and white paint to choose from. The first week we worked "wet on wet" where students painted one rectangle each primary color, or white and then mixed another on top to make a secondary color. The following week we read a story about the connection between color and emotion. Students were asked to paint "wet on dry," while showing a different emotion into each rectangle.

First graders also started making pinch pots. We read the folk tale, *Clay Boy*, and then created our vessels. Students learned how to take a chunk of clay, turn it into a ball, and rotate your hands while pinching the inside of the form to create a pot. Clay is always one of the highlights of the year!

As always, don't forget to send your kids in with an art smock to leave at school for art day. Feel free to email me at any point with questions about art class.

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Links from the School Nurse

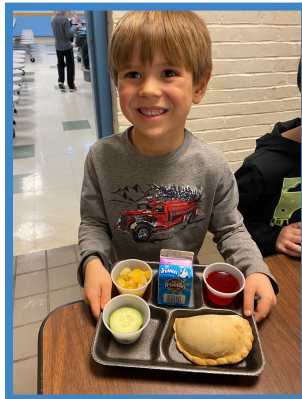
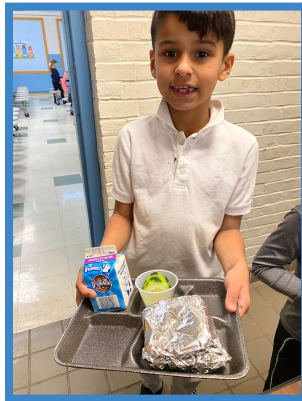
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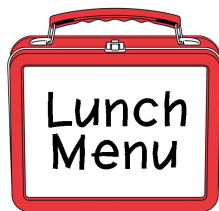
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December Lunch Menu





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All proceeds go towards our scholarship programs!

Please reach out to info@medfieldalumni.org with any questions!

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