

Memorial School Weekly Email

December 22, 2022

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IMPORTANT DATES

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)

Friday, January 13th - Hero Spirit Day - Dress Like Your Hero (more info coming soon)

Dear Memorial Families,

It has been a wonderful week at Memorial! Our spirit days are in full swing and there is a level of excitement amongst our students that brings so much joy to our staff. We will conclude our week tomorrow with PJ/comfy cozy day, winter parties (please remember to send a Party in a Bag snack tomorrow), and an early release after a special winter concert by Medfield High School students. On behalf of our staff, I would like to wish our families Happy Hanukkah, Merry Christmas and a Joyful Kwanzaa! Enjoy the break and we'll see everyone back on Tuesday, January 3rd.



Thank you to our amazing PTO for the delicious luncheon this week. Everything was so yummy!

Thank you to all who helped to make our Memorial Food Drive successful!



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 TOMORROW, Friday, December 23rd, will be donated.

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.

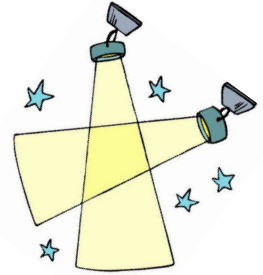
Medfield's Destination Imagination organization is looking for volunteers to be appraisers at either of the regional tournaments (March 4th in Medfield or March 12th in Beverly). It is the perfect opportunity for someone 18 years or older (and out of high school) who would like to

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.

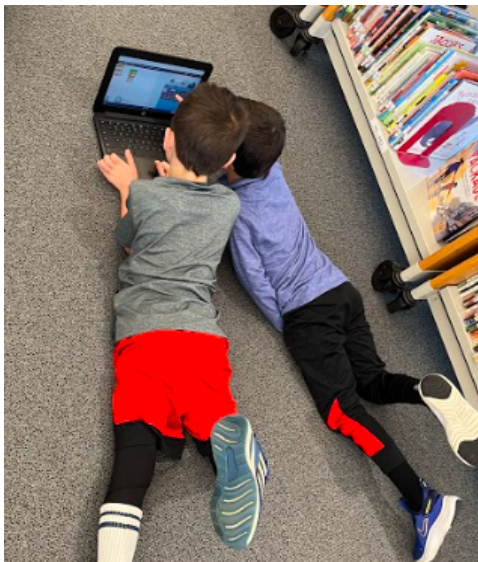
SPECIALISTS SPOTLIGHT

From The Library

Over the past few weeks, Memorial students have been participating in the Hour of Code initiative during library class! Coding allows students to practice so many skills, including problem-solving, using logic, making a plan, and learning from mistakes. Kindergarteners began learning about coding with Bee-Bot robots. We read a story about bees and then used coding commands to make the Bee-Bots travel to different pictures of flowers just like the bees in the story.



First graders are familiar with coding because they've played with the Bee-Bots before. They were ready to try coding on the library Chromebooks. We played a game where students could code a beaver to complete different challenges. We also talked about how students will use Chromebooks at Wheelock School next year and how it's good to get practice before then!

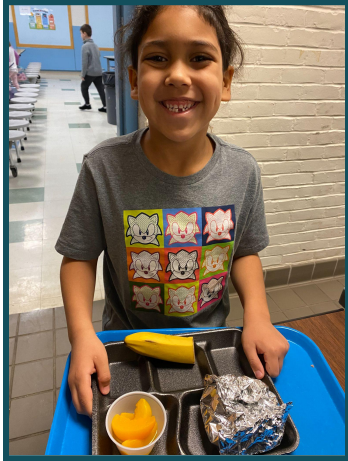


In the future, students will practice more coding activities with our KIBO robots! If students want to try more Hour of Code activities at home, they can try this free game or several of the ones available from Kodable (There's no need to register for an account; just scroll down the page to find "Free Hour of Code Activities"). Feel free to reach out (afarrahar@email.medfield.net) with any questions!



FROM THE CAFETERIA

Have a wonderful holiday break!
From Rita, Sherry and Terri



January Lunch Menu

Links from the School Nurse

Mrs. Maguire's December Newsletter

Covid Guidelines

Announcements, health procedures, forms and more!





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