

# Memorial School Weekly Email

## February 16, 2023

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### IMPORTANT DATES

Monday, February 20th - Friday, February 24th - No School  
(Winter Vacation)

Friday, March 3rd - Term 2 Closes

Monday, March 6th - Friday, March 10th - Read Across  
America Week (Details Below!)

Thursday, March 9th and Friday, March 10th -  
Parent/Teacher Conferences - Early Dismissal

Dear Families,

It is with great excitement and gratitude that I share the news that the Memorial School was recently awarded three MCPE grants totalling close to \$8600. Thanks to the generosity of MCPE and the efforts of Memorial Staff members Kathy Bockhorst, Joy Chen, Mary Fitzgerald, Ellen Gelinas, Herb Grace, Heather Herring, Carina Keenan, and Meredith Teany, Memorial students will soon have a sensory tool lending library, a Gaga Ball Pit, and additional books for our Reading Specialists to use to support our emerging readers. Thank you to all!!!

Thank you to our PTO for hosting the recent Paint Night in collaboration with Patti Allan and Studio 109. Families braved the frigid temperatures to participate in an awesome lesson that resulted in some adorable masterpieces.



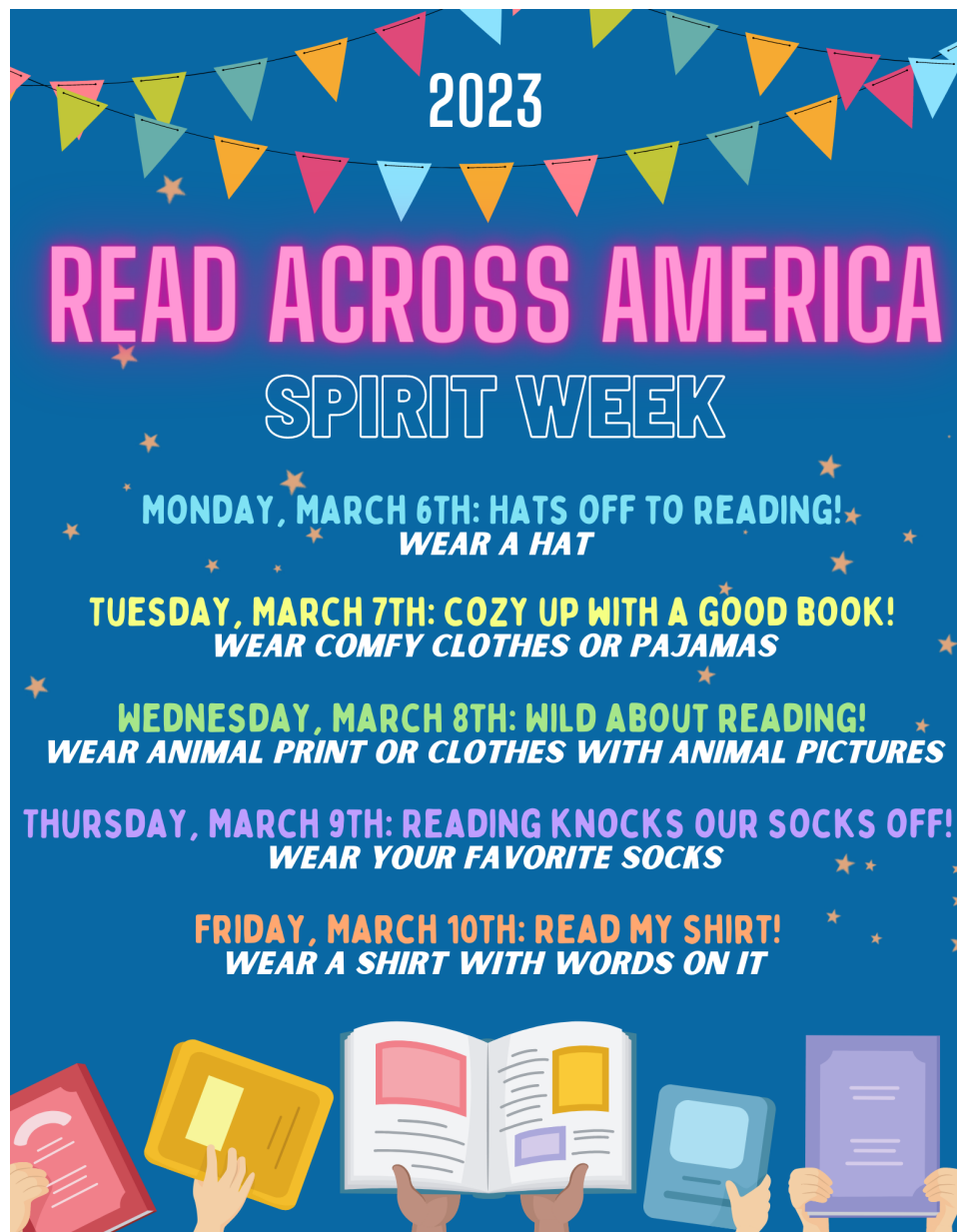
We would also like to thank the PTO for the Valentine's treats and goodies this week!  
Our staff is so lucky!

Bus Driver Appreciation Day is Coming - February 22nd

Medfield is so fortunate to have amazing bus drivers who care about our students and consistently go above and beyond to get them to and from school safely. We recognize and thank them for everything they do!

Read Across America Week - March 6th - 10th

Check out all the fun that we have planned!





## LINKS FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE

MRS. MAGUIRE'S FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

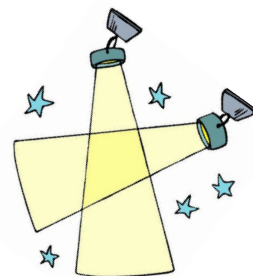
COVID GUIDELINES

Announcements, Health Procedures, Forms and  
more!

## SPECIALISTS SPOTLIGHT

From the Music Room  
Hello Parents,

Kindergarten is finishing up their version of *Sneezy the Snowman*. At the end of the lesson, they will have a working understanding of high and low. Once that happens we will begin talking about the difference between high, low, loud and quiet. They are also working on learning to tremolo or roll on the xylophones which is part of their train lesson. Once that is done, we will begin doing *Old Black Fly*. We do three big lessons during the year which are surrounded by many small ones. *Old Black Fly* is one of the big ones.



Grade One is working on their version of *Sneezy the Snowman*. This lesson will solidify their understanding of high and low. Once completed they will finish their *Room for Everyone* lesson and start *Jack Frost*. Grade one has also started to rehearse for the annual grade one music show. They are excited to perform for you. Details will come your way sometime in March. Enjoy the February break and always keep music in your heart.

Mr. R

# DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP LESSONS

Memorial School -- Trimester 2

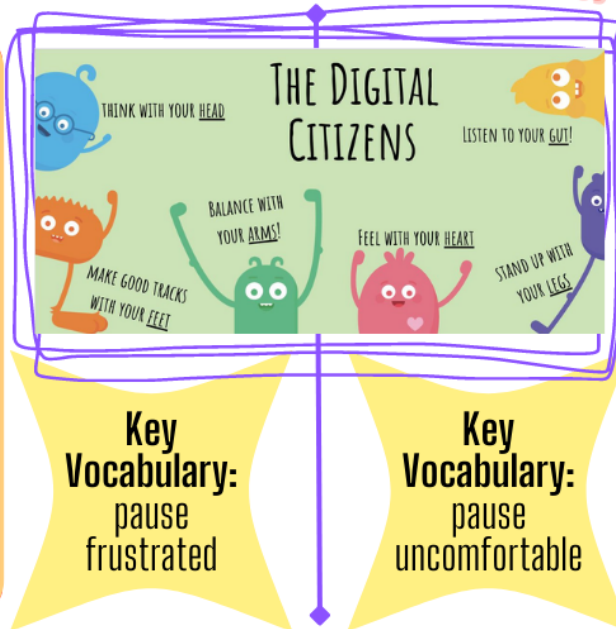
**Kindergarten:**  
*Pause for People*

**Grade 1:**  
*How Technology Makes you Feel*

**Students will be able to:**

☑ Understand why it's important to be aware and respectful of people while using devices

☑ Use the Pause, Breathe, Finish Up routine as a self-regulation strategy for transitioning from technology to face-to-face interactions.



**Students will be able to:**

☑ Recognize the different kinds of feelings they can have when using technology

☑ Know what to do when they don't have a good feeling when using technology.



Click here to watch the lesson videos: [KINDERGARTEN](#) or [GRADE 1](#)

Want to continue these important conversations at home? Use these family activities and discussion prompts that go along with our lessons: [KINDERGARTEN](#) or [GRADE 1](#)



## FROM THE CAFETERIA



February Lunch Menu  
March Lunch Menu

## A MESSAGE FROM MEMORIAL PTO

The Memorial PTO wants YOU!

The PTO is looking for some awesome new members for our 2023-24 board. Specifically, we are searching for a new Kindergarten President, Vice President, and Treasurer. No experience necessary - just a desire to get involved and help support our students and staff! Please contact [danielletata@gmail.com](mailto:danielletata@gmail.com) if you want more information. We would LOVE to have you!

## Volunteer with MCPE

**Are you looking for a way to give back to Medfield Public Schools?  
Join the Medfield Coalition for Public Education!**



MCPE is an independent non-profit organization founded to provide system-wide support and academic enrichment for the Medfield Public Schools through grants for the development of innovative programs, curriculum, and enrichment. MCPE is led by a volunteer board that works throughout the school year to organize community-wide fundraising events and make grants to teachers and staff at all five Medfield Public Schools.

**We're recruiting new board members to start in the 2023-24 school year!** If you are interested in becoming an MCPE board member, we would love to hear from

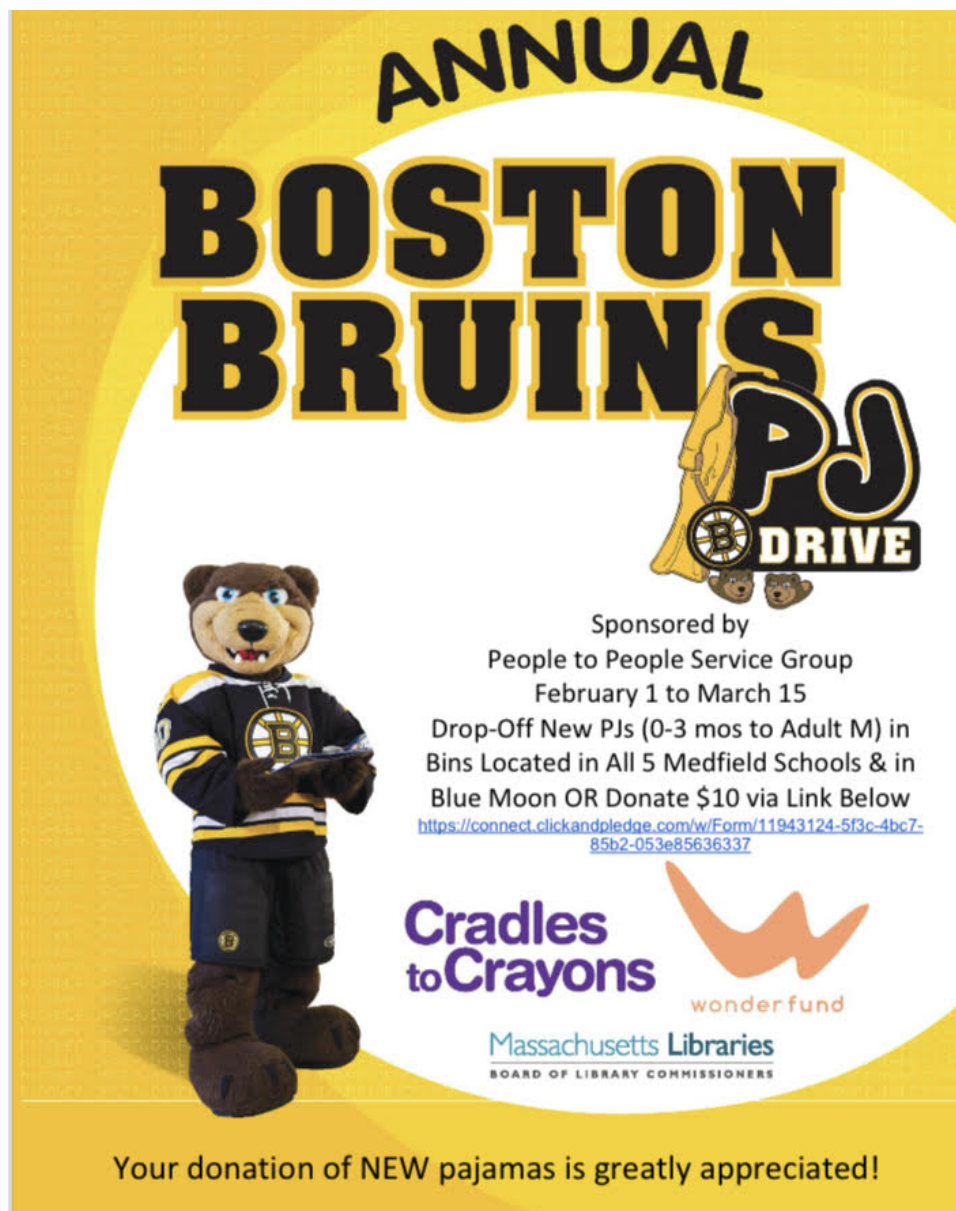
you. We're looking for candidates who can commit to a 3-year term, attend board meetings once a month, and have an active interest in enriching kids' education in Medfield schools. This year, we have specific needs for treasurer, publicity/social media, events/fundraising, and website. All skill sets are welcome, and we strive to have a board with diverse backgrounds.

**Learn more and apply here:** <https://www.medfieldcoalition.org/volunteer-information>

### **Cradle to Crayons Annual Bruins PJ Drive**

People to People, a community service group of MHS 10th graders, is collecting donations of new pajamas (sizes 0-3 mos. through Adult M) to support the Cradle to Crayons Annual Bruins PJ Drive. With your help, we can help reach the collective goal of 10,000 PJs for Cradles to Crayons and Wonderfund. Cradles to Crayons works to fight children's clothing insecurity in various states and raises awareness about this crisis nationally. The Wonderfund works to provide children involved with the MA Department of Children & Families the opportunities, experiences, and essentials that every child deserves. Please see flyer for more information. You can drop off donations in one of the 5 boxes, or donate via this [link](https://connect.clickandpledge.com/w/Form/11943124-5f3c-4bc7-85b2-053e85636337).

Every \$10 donated will purchase 1 pair of PJs. Thank you for your support of this great cause!



**ANNUAL  
BOSTON  
BRUINS  
PJ  
DRIVE**

Sponsored by  
People to People Service Group  
February 1 to March 15

Drop-Off New PJs (0-3 mos to Adult M) in  
Bins Located in All 5 Medfield Schools & in  
Blue Moon OR Donate \$10 via Link Below  
<https://connect.clickandpledge.com/w/Form/11943124-5f3c-4bc7-85b2-053e85636337>

**Cradles  
toCrayons**

**wonderfund**

**Massachusetts Libraries**  
BOARD OF LIBRARY COMMISSIONERS

Your donation of NEW pajamas is greatly appreciated!

**Medfield Elementary Literacy Night and Book Fair**

SAVE THE DATE: Tuesday, March 21, 2023

TIME: 5:30-8 PM

LOCATION: Dale Street School

Come bring your family and join us at our annual Elementary Literacy Night and Book Fair. Fun interactive reading activities planned through the night, special guest teachers reading their favorite books, and exciting raffles too!!

Park Street Books will be setting up an amazing book sale with new releases and kid favorites across the grades, including PreK.

Jim James is generously giving 20% of the book fair sales back to our PTO, so it's a great way to update your home library while giving back to the schools. More details to come!

