

Memorial School Weekly

Email May 4, 2023

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IMPORTANT DATES

Friday, May 19th - Early Release

Monday, May 22nd & Tuesday, May 23rd - Author Visit David Biedrzycki

Friday, May 26th - Bubble Man

Monday, May 29th - Memorial Day (No School)

Wednesday, May 31st - Grade 1 Flag Day Performance

Thursday, June 1st - Art Show

Thursday, June 8th - Field Day

Thursday, June 15th - Early Release & Last Day of School

Dear Families,

As a reminder, tomorrow is Flower Power Day at Memorial. We are asking that all students bring in a flower of their choice; either from a garden or a store-bought flower. Each classroom will be filling vases with the flowers that are brought in to create a beautiful bouquet that will then be distributed to members of our Memorial Community. In addition, students and staff are

encouraged to wear floral prints and/or bright colors. As always, participation in Spirit Day is optional. We thank you for supporting this “kind” event!

As we approach the end of the school year, we are doing our best to keep families informed of upcoming events. Please mark your calendars and should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me, the office or your child’s teacher. Details regarding events specific to classrooms such as field trips and end-of-year picnics and parties will be communicated directly by classroom teachers.

May 10th @ 9 AM - Memorial PTO Meeting

May 11th & 12th - Preschool Teas

May 19th - Early Release - Staff Professional Development

May 29th - No School - Memorial Day

May 31st @ 9:30 AM - Grade One Flag Day Performance (rain date June 2nd)

June 1st @ 5-6:30 PM - Art Show (Memorial Cafeteria) & Food Truck Event

June 6th - Preschool Field Day

June 8th - Kindergarten and Grade One Field Day (schedule TBA) (rain date June 9th)

June 15th - Last Day of School (Early Release)

Thank you to these families and all who supported the PTO Treasured Experience fundraiser! Last week Memorial had two amazing guest principals and thanks to Detective Manganello, this week one of our students got to arrive at school via a very special ride!



SPECIALISTS SPOTLIGHT

Library & Technology

Memorial students have begun their final round of digital citizenship lessons with Mrs. Farrahar and Mrs. Foley! In first grade, we are currently focusing on online safety and knowing when to ask a grown-up for help when using a screen.

Later this month, Kindergarteners will also review staying safe online. We are so proud of Memorial students for recognizing that certain websites and apps are “just right” for kids and understanding that, when using the internet, it's their job to pause and think to make the safest choice.

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

During these lessons, students also get the chance to use our KIBO robots! KIBO robots help kids practice coding in an offline, hands-on environment. Students build their own codes out of KIBO blocks, scan their codes with the robot, and get to enjoy seeing their KIBO move, light up, and make sounds!







Our students will continue to learn more about digital citizenship and practice using robotic tools next year, whether they stay at Memorial or move onto Wheelock. They do such a great job and we love having this time with them!

Feel free to reach out to Marissa Foley (marissafoley@email.medfield.net) or Anne Farrahar (afarrahar@email.medfield.net) with any questions.

From the Cafeteria

WE LOVE THE GRILLED CHEESE!



May Lunch Menu



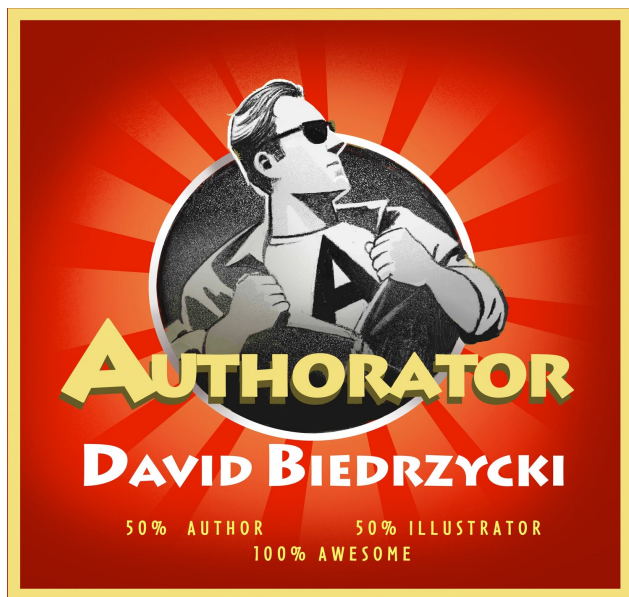


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Memorial School is excited to host Medfield author and illustrator, David Biedrzycki on Monday, May 22nd and Tuesday, May 23rd!

Any families wishing to purchase or personalize books from David Biedrzycki before his visit to Memorial School can send in a [book order form](#) by Friday, May 5th. Checks (made out to David Biedrzycki) are the preferred method of payment. Please reach out to Anne Farrahar (afarrahar@email.medfield.net) with any questions! Thank you!

TECHNOLOGY NEWS

DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP LESSONS

Memorial School -- Trimester 3

Kindergarten:
Safety in my Online Neighborhood

Grade 1:
Internet Traffic Light

Students will be able to:

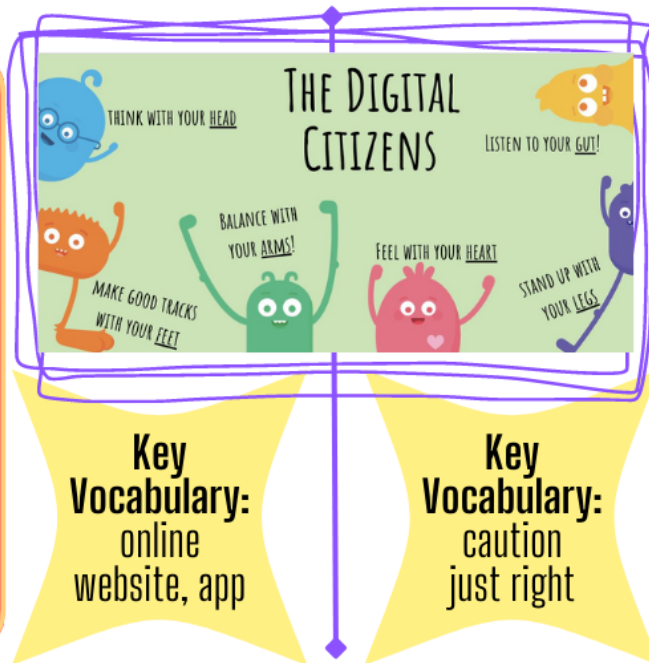
- ☆ Discover that the internet can be used to visit faraway places and learn new things.
- ☆ Compare how staying safe online is similar to staying safe in the real world.
- ☆ Explain rules for traveling safely on the internet.

Key Vocabulary:
online
website, app

Key Vocabulary:
caution
just right

Students will be able to:

- ☆ Understand that being safe online is similar to staying safe in real life.
- ☆ Learn to identify websites and apps that are "just right" and "not right" for them.
- ☆ Know how to get help from an adult if they are unsure about a website.



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 MCPE

🎉 Do you know a Medfield teacher or staff member who has made a positive impact in a student's life?

☀️ MCPE's Blue Ribbon Recognition Program is the perfect way to honor their efforts and show your appreciation!

💙 By making a donation to MCPE in their name, you can recognize their hard work and dedication to our students.

👏 And what better time to participate in the program than during Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week?

👏 This is a thoughtful and easy way to recognize the important role these individuals play in shaping our children's future.

Let's show our gratitude and make a difference in our school community by participating in the Blue Ribbon Recognition Program today!

Submit your Blue Ribbon Recognition here:

<https://www.medfieldcoalition.org/blue-ribbon-recognition-2023>



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child's school community during
Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week!**

MEMORIAL PTO

The Memorial PTO has started a new fundraising effort through Mabel's Labels! We get 20% of each Label Packet bought if families use the code "Memorial School PTO" when they shop. Please click [here](#) for more information.

Medfield Public Schools, Medfield Outreach and Medfield Cares About Prevention (MCAP) Presents:

Community Conversations About Mental Health & Substance Use Among Medfield Students

Please see the attached invitation and [Google Form](#) regarding an upcoming event on [Monday, May 8th](#) at the Memorial School. Adult family members of all students grades pre-K are welcome as we share and discuss our 6th-12th grade student data from the MetroWest Adolescent Health Survey. This event will provide opportunities to share thoughts and concerns, and ask questions with staff and other families in an effort to stimulate ongoing conversations about these difficult topics.

Thank you for your time and we hope to see many of you on May 8th. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out via [email](#) to Mary Fitzgerald, Wellness Department Chair - K/12 Medfield Public Schools.