



# BULLDOG BRIEFS



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## 2020 Governor's Educator of the Year Awards

- We are happy to announce that the application for the 2020-2021 Governor's Teacher of the Year Program is open!
- We would love to recognize the amazing teachers and education services professionals we have.
- For more information, click [here](#).

## Arts High

- Arts High will begin in the Spring of 2021. Classes will be virtual. If your child is interested in applying please read this [flyer](#) as well as this [letter](#) for information on how to apply.

## Library News

The EMS library staff is happy to announce that students can order books for "curbside pickup"! See what books are available from the Edgar website: OUR SCHOOL -> LIBRARY -> LIBRARY CATALOG. Use OUR SCHOOL -> LIBRARY -> REQUEST A BOOK to place your order. We'll let you know by school email when your books are ready for pickup.

Books for remote learners can be picked up at the main office from 8am-3:30pm, and "roomers" can pick up their books at the library after receiving an email. Please wait for a confirmation email before coming to pick up your books.

Happy reading!

## Red Ribbon Week

Look out for information throughout the week from Ms. Rubin, Student Assistance Counselor, as Edgar Middle School honors Red Ribbon Week! Red Ribbon Week takes place each year from October 23 through October 31<sup>st</sup>. Join us in our mission to help keep kids drug-free!



## Italian-American Heritage Month

Italian-American Heritage Month is celebrated during this month to honor the achievements and contributions of Italian immigrants living in the United States.

Did you know Robert De Niro's father, Robert De Niro Sr. was a painter? He was an abstract expressionist painter. Talent runs in the family!

Below is one of his pieces.

Dora in Red Dress, 1960



## The Zone

Make the most of your student's *in-school hybrid learning days*.

Check out these special activities @ The ZONE, for Group B hybrid-learners:

**Monday, October 19 - Pixlr Photography Project**

**Tuesday, October 20 - Meet Edison, Introduction to Robotics with Ms. Misuraca**

**Wednesday, October 21 - Cooking Class with Mrs. Petrakakos, Pumpkin Pancakes**

**Thursday, October 22 - Fall Crafts with Mrs. Tzetzos**

**Friday, October 23 - EMS Scavenger Hunt**

Join us for one day or everyday! We offer flexible scheduling to meet your needs and the interest of your students. The cost is \$24 per day. We will provide all the supplies. There are no hidden costs or registration fees.

Each special activity starts at 2:31 and will end around 4 pm. Students are welcome to stay until 6 pm. From 4 pm to 6 pm we provide a snack, homework help, basic tutoring, outdoor activities, and more for no extra cost. You are welcomed to pick up your student any time before 6 pm.

**For more information visit our website at <http://emsthezone.blogspot.com>. If you have specific questions or concerns regarding The Zone program, please contact Roseanna Misuraca at [rmisuraca@metboe.k12.nj.us](mailto:rmisuraca@metboe.k12.nj.us) or call our office at 732-321-5085.**

Ready to sign up? Online scheduling and payment is available with [PaySchoolsCentral](#)

## Mental Health Moments

Next week's mental health moment will be about progressive muscle relaxation. Students will watch this video during homeroom. The link to the video is <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DFhZWlCwgXk>

This [document](#) will also accompany the video.

You can always view the videos and see the documents by visiting our website. They can be found in the Counseling Dept. section under the "Our Students" tab.

## Reminders!

- When dropping items off for your children, please be sure to label the items with your child's name and grade level. The item will be left outside of the office for them to pick up.
- When dropping off or picking up children, please follow the route we designed. To review the re-entry plan, click [here](#).
- Please remind your children that are biking to school to wear helmets.
- Lunch will be held outside as long as it is not raining or snowing. Please be sure your child comes to school with appropriate attire to sit outside.
- To diminish the possibility of zoom bombing, cameras must be on when students are joining their classes. Students will not be admitted into Zoom or Google Meets sessions unless their cameras are on.