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The Principal's Corner

Greetings!



The calendar now indicates that we have entered the season of spring. I hope the thermometer will soon agree.

The Burlington City Arts annual student art exhibit and awards ceremony took place this week in City Hall. We will have more information about that ceremony in next week's newsletter.

Our annual Science Fair was also held last evening. We will have more information about that in next week's newsletter, as well.

Our school has a food pantry for families who need extra food support. The pantry is in need of donations of canned soup, fruit, tuna, peanut butter, and pasta sauce. Please bring donations to the main office. Thank you very much for your generosity. If you are in need of additional support for your family, please contact the school for more information.

Parent-Teacher Conferences take place next week. If you have not yet scheduled a conference, please call the school as soon as possible to do that. We look forward to seeing you next week to talk about your wonderful children . . .our wonderful students!

Thank you for all your efforts to keep our parking lot and school yard as safe as possible. I strive to be outside at arrival and dismissal times as much as possible. One thing I have noticed is that sometimes children exit cars on the traffic side of the parking lot instead of the side nearest the school. Would you remind your children—for safety's sake—to exit on the other side of your car, so they are near the front sidewalk and not in the path of other cars in the parking lot?

Thank you for all you do to make our school a community of respectful, responsible, and safe learners.

Calendar of Events



3/22: Open Gym Time for Families (10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.) -- Gym

3/25: Burlington Taiko Residency and Performances (1:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.) -- Gym

3/27 – 3/28: Parent-Teacher Conferences (Conferences may be scheduled at other times this week).

3/29: Open Gym Time for Families (10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.) -- Gym

4/4: Family Movie Night (Sponsored by the P.T.O.)

4/9: P.T.O. Meeting (6:30-8:00 p.m.)

4/21-4/25: Spring Vacation

News From Around the School

We congratulate Ms. Kim Brockway on the birth of her son, Isaac. We know Ms. Brockway and her husband are so happy to have Isaac join their family!

We mourn the deaths of Mrs. Christine Tetrault's father and Mr. Andrew Awhaitey's brother.

Mrs. Carolyn Pallutto's Grade 1 students will be ready to share their Time of Day books on Thursday, April 3rd at 8:30 a.m. in their classroom. Parents/guardians and other visitors will be invited to walk around their classroom and look at all of their books.

Mrs. Judy Carpenter's Grade 2 students are excited to begin their "Tapestry of Nations" homework. Students very thoughtfully selected the countries they would learn and present about. Students are also keeping up the drumming they learned from Paton Sensai as part of our recent school residency and are thankful to now have Erica Sensai assisting them. They have enjoyed having Mrs. Patty Kissell's class practicing with them.

Mrs. Patty Kissell's Grade 2 students have also begun their work for the annual "Tapestry of Nations," which will be occurring very soon. We look forward to this wonderful event!

