



From the Desk of Janice Tierney  
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**"Don't let one small thing ruin your whole day."**

*Contributed by Devin Shroff, 5P*

As we continue to encounter challenges that may result in increased stress and anxiety, our Guidance Department, under the direction of Mrs. Laura Kaplan and in collaboration with our school counselors, compiled a valuable resource for our families. This resource provides information, resources and direction for our families in the area of social and emotional learning. Miss Mortenson, our school counselor is also available to assist you and your child and may be contacted at [lmortenson@summit.k12.nj.us](mailto:lmortenson@summit.k12.nj.us). We invite you to click on the link below and explore.

[The SEL Spot!](#)

#### **BEDTIME READ ALOUD**

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, February 17 for our monthly read aloud from 7:30 PM to 8:30 PM with the central theme of gratitude and caring. Put on your PJ's, find a comfy spot, and snuggle in and enjoy Ms. Stochaj and a surprise guest reader. Looking forward to seeing you there.

#### **COLLECTION FOR GRACE'S PANTRY**

Please consider sending in any unopened items from your child's school lunch bag to contribute to Grace's Pantry. We will be collecting these items every Thursday morning and delivering to the pantry to support weekly distribution.

#### **LOSE YOURSELF IN A GOOD BOOK.....**

....and many of the other resources available in both FLIC at Franklin as well as the Summit Public Library. Take a moment to log on and see all of the new and diverse offerings that are available with a "click." Ms. Stochaj will be reviewing these resources with her classes next week so do not be surprised if your child comes home with requests for you. We attached the announcement and links at the end of this blast.

#### **PLEASE EMAIL THE MAIN OFFICE**

Just a gentle reminder that you must include your child's classroom teacher AND Mrs. Napoles on ALL correspondence regarding your child's attendance at [mnapoles@summit.k12.nj.us](mailto:mnapoles@summit.k12.nj.us). This includes full and half day absences as well as any time that is spent out of the learning environment between the hours of 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM and 1:30 PM and 3:00 PM i.e. an hour for a doctor's appointment.

If the absence or time away from the learning environment is during a special, please include the special teacher in your correspondence as well.

#### **HEADING INTO THE LONG WEEKEND**

Our Franklin families continue to remain aware and respectful of the health guidelines keeping our incident rate at a minimum...and we are so appreciative. As we venture into our long weekend and many of our families take advantage of the snow, outdoor activities and the opportunity for travel – your attention to the guidelines, quarantine expectations and health recommendations is appreciated.

As always additional information is available on the district website on our Health Office page or by contacting Mrs. Zanelli at [azanelli@summit.k12.nj.us](mailto:azanelli@summit.k12.nj.us)

#### **HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY**

....and don't eat too much chocolate (as if there is any such thing =0)!

Stay safe, warm and well.

*Mrs. Tierney*