



From the Desk of Janice Tierney
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"Be Kind....it is truly all that really matters"

Please be sure to note some of the following shifts in dates and deadlines to accommodate for the week of unpredictable weather and events.

- Order forms for Scott Magoon will be accepted through Monday, February 22. (Please see previous blast from Ms. Stochaj with details)
- Pennies for Puppies (with PJ's) will now be held on Monday, February 22. Remember to wear either your puppy clothes or PJ's and contribute to the collection to support The Seeing Eye. We will be collecting donations through the week.
- The Kindness Crew has delayed celebration of Spirit Week until March 1. Classes will be viewing student created short videos with daily themes. More details in next week's weekly message.

Some of you may have heard the news that the Governor has applied for a federal waiver regarding standardized testing for New Jersey. No determination has been made at this time; however, be assured that we will keep you up to date on this important topic in the weeks ahead.

Several of our families have inquired regarding spring break and the consideration of additional time to allow for quarantine upon return from travel. Mr. Hough has communicated that the district calendar will remain the same. PLEASE be sure to let us (your child's teacher and Mrs. Napoles) know if you will be traveling and, therefore, required to quarantine upon return and re-entry to school. If you have any questions regarding quarantine guidelines, please consult the district Health Office page on Summit.k12.nj.us or contact Mrs. Zanelli for clarification.

Some of our families may have received attendance letters over the past few days. These letters will now be sent out on a monthly basis to those families whose children have excessive absences/tardy, including half days, for the month. Please remember, we cannot teach a student who is not present for the instruction. Also, when reporting attendance, you MUST contact both the classroom teacher and Mrs. Napoles. Automatic calls are now being generated by our student portal (Genesis) and if the coding in the system is not made accurately and promptly, the call is automatically generated. If you ever receive a call and have a concern, please contact the office immediately.

Hoping that this weather pattern has finally moved on and we can return to in-person instruction in the days and weeks ahead.

Looking forward to seeing everyone on Monday!
Stay warm, safe and well =0).

Mrs. Tierney