



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

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*"Being nice IS being cool."*

**Contributed by Allison**

After several weeks of communicating the same message, I wanted to take this opportunity to THANK YOU – our families – for your cooperation and support with attendance reporting. We have experienced a sharp increase with both the promptness in reporting and the reason for absence. This allows us to accurately record information for both in district and mandated state reporting. Remember, if you are delayed in calling/emailing in, you may receive an automated phone call. Never hesitate to call in if you have a concern.

On that same topic, IF you anticipate traveling over the spring break, please remember the following:

- If you are traveling outside of NY, NJ, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, or Delaware remember the requirements about quarantine. Please refer to the district Health Office webpage for the most current guidelines and district application. As always, if you have any questions, reach out to Mrs. Zanelli for clarification.
- PLEASE share your travel plans with your child's teacher and Mrs. Napoles. This supports planning for instruction and learning in the days following break.
- Remember, if you are choosing to travel and the travel requires a quarantine period upon return and *your child is registered as an in-person learner*, your child is welcome to log into the classroom remotely for instruction during the quarantine period; however, the teacher is not required to provide materials. This distinction is made separately from a student who is quarantined due to illness or a determination of a close contact.

Kindness Crew is hosting a spirit week the week of March 1<sup>st</sup>. This event has been entirely student designed and led. We are proud of their efforts reflecting a week that is based in gratitude and appreciation. Students will not be "dressing up" this year but will be creating expressions of appreciation for some non-traditional essential workers including delivery persons, City of Summit DPW and our teachers/staff! We are confident you will hear about the daily video and activity.

Friday, March 5 will be a Franklin SPIRIT WEAR day. Please encourage your child to wear either their Franklin gear or our school colors of blue and gold. Teachers will be sporting a very important message on their shirts that day and we look forward to revealing this message to our students.

A rainy, wet weekend is predicted. Enjoy some quiet time together and please remind your child to try to avoid the mud during Monday line up =0)! Our custodial staff will be appreciative.

*Mrs. Tierney*

**IMPORTANT CAFETERIA MENU NOTE: As of Monday, March 1 – the Bagel Bag option will be eliminated from the menu. Two other choices will remain available; however, due to circumstances beyond district control, the third option has been eliminated.**