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Upcoming Events:

- January 13th – SAC meeting, 2:45 pm in the Media Center
- January 15th – Volunteer meeting for Field Day, 5:30 pm, Media Center
- January 17th – report cards sent home
- January 20th – MLK, Jr. Holiday, no school
- January 22nd – Awards for Kindergarten (8:20 am), 1st Grade (8:50 am), and 2nd Grade (9:30 am)
- January 22nd – Mental Health Awareness Night, 6 pm, Media Center
- January 23rd – Awards for 3rd Grade (8:20 am) and 4th Grade (9:00 am)
- January 24th – Awards for 5th Grade (8:20 am) and 6th Grade (9:00 am)
- January 30th – Class Photo Day
- January 31st – Club Photo Day
- February 13th – 6th Grade Parent Meeting at Jackson Middle School, 5:45 pm

SAFETY REMINDER: Please remember that per Florida State Statute 316.306, “no use of any wireless communication device (cell phones, etc.) in a handheld manner while is a school zone” is permitted. This is punishable by a moving violation up to a $169.00 fine.
PLEASE HELP IMPERIAL ESTATES REMAIN A TITLE I SCHOOL: This year Imperial Estates received an additional $352,950 in Title I money. In order to continue to be a Title I school, we need your help. Please go to https://mealapps.brevard.k12.fl.us/LiquidOffice/Ifserver/FRA_FORM_ENG to fill out an application. Even if you do not think you might qualify, please help us by trying. Families of 4 earning $47,638 per year may qualify for reduced lunch ( $.60 instead of $1.80). Thanks for the help.

AWARDS CRITERIA: In order for students to receive Perfect Attendance for the quarter, they must have 0 absences, 0 tardies, and 0 check-outs. Students in grades 3 – 6 earn A/B honor roll if they have all A’s and B’s on their report cards and all S’s and O’s in lifelong skills. In order to qualify for All A Honor Roll, they must have all A’s in the subjects and all S’s and O’s in lifelong skills. Awards such as Reading Counts, B.U.G. (K – 2, Bringing Up Grades), Character Counts pillar awards, and Dynamic Dolphin are up to the teachers.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN is now uploaded on the school website, https://www.brevardschools.org/domain/8264. This was approved 12/17/19 at the school board meeting. If you would like a printed or translated copy, please contact Magi Sizemore at sizemore.magi@brevardschools.org and she will get one for you. There is also a copy of the plan in the Parent Resource Notebook, located on the bookshelf in the front office.

HURRICANE MAKE-UP DAY: FEBRUARY 17, 2020. This was originally an in-service day for the teachers and a holiday for the students, but all students should plan to attend school on that day as it will be a regular school day.

THE CHILDREN’S HUNGER PROJECT 5K WALK/RUN: On Saturday, January 11th, there will be a 5K walk/run to benefit The Children’s Hunger Project. This organization provides food for children every week so that they have something to eat on the weekends, including some children from Imperial. If you would like more information about this 5K or the project, please go to www.facebook.com/FightChildHunger5K/ . FROM COACH D: Please make sure that your child is wearing closed toed shoes or sneakers on their PE days. This is a safety concern. Additionally, students have structured classroom PE and recess and should have closed toed shoes for that as well.

4H – JUNK DRAWER ROBOTICS: Thursdays January 23 – March 10, 3 – 4:30 pm for 4th – 6th grade students. Monthly (4 weeks) cost is $50. If your child is not currently enrolled in Brevard After School, you will need to register him/her in the program, which includes a annual registration fee of $25.00 for the first child enrolled, and $15.00 for any additional children in the family. Please contact Ms. Shawna in After Care if interested, 321-264.3070.

YEARBOOKS and SHOUT-OUTS! $20 each. Please see Ms. Gonzalez.

PLEASE DISPLAY YOUR CAR TAG WHEN PICKING UP YOUR CHILD! If you do not have your car tag, you will be asked for a photo ID before your child is released to you. Thanks for helping us keep all our students safe! Additional tags may be picked up in the office.

HEADPHONE EARBUDS ARE AVAILABLE EVERY MORNING IN THE MEDIA CENTER FOR $1.00. All students need to have working headphones for iReady instruction and diagnostic testing. Thanks!

NEWS FROM THE CAFETERIA: Please make sure that your student has lunch money if you did not re-apply for free or reduced lunch this school year. If you need to apply, the web address is https://www.brevardschools.org/site/Default.aspx?PageID=3473
HEAD LICE INFORMATION: Please remind your children not to share combs, brushes, hair barrettes, and clothing such as hats and scarves to prevent the possibility of spreading head lice. Children should also be reminded to avoid head-to-head contact with other students. Parents, please help us prevent the spread of head lice by checking your child’s hair as part of a normal hygiene routine. When checking, please be sure to check behind your child’s ears and at the nape of the neck. Should lice be found, your child must be treated prior to returning to school. Thanks for helping!

SECONDARY SCHOOLS OPEN ENROLLMENT APPLICATIONS: The district is now accepting open enrollment applications for secondary schools. The deadline for students entering 7th – 12th grade who wish to attend another school for a location change and/or a program offering is February 28th. Renewals for students who are currently enrolled in the program is also February 28th. Please go to the district website for further information.

JACKSON MIDDLE SCHOOL CAMBRIDGE PROGRAM: The Cambridge Showcase will be at Jackson January 14th from 6 – 8. Please RSVP by January 10th to drye.deborah@brevardschools.org. Additionally, there will be an informational meeting on December 2nd at 6 pm at Jackson to find out about the Cambridge program. The application window is January 6 – February 28, 2020.

6th GRADE PARENT MEETING AT JACKSON MIDDLE SCHOOL: February 13th at 5:45 pm

ANDREW JACKSON PARENT WORKSHOPS: FREE parent workshops at Jackson Middle School:

- January 29, 6 – 7 pm Becoming a Cyber-Expert in Middle School
- February 26, 6 – 7 pm OMG~ It’s Testing Time!

STONE MAGNET SCHOOL APPLICATION PARENT WORKSHOP: Are you “out of Stone’s zoned area” and are looking at having your student attend Stone Magnet Middle School? On January 13th and February 20th, from 6 – 7 pm in the Media Center, Stone is hosting an assistance workshop for filling out the EPO Magnet Application. Stone is located at 1101 E. University Blvd, Melbourne, FL 32901, near FIT.

FIELD DAY VOLUNTEER MEETING: Coach D is planning a Field Day and she needs your help! The meeting will be January 15th at 5:30 pm in the Media Center. Hope to see lots of you there!

A HUGE THANK YOU TO OUR SCIENCE FAIR JUDGES!! The following people helped judge our science and engineering fair in December: Cynthia Schroll, Scott Gero, Garion Martsch, Richard Mraz, Donald Jenkins, Cenetrya Cobb, Tommy Kirkendall, Dominic Rossi, Christian Ezell, Kerrie Lubeski, Jesse Palma, Stephen Huff, Jason Jagdmann, Jared Rymkos, Steve Kane, Bruce Jacobs, Rayne Feichtinger, Mark Marquette, Elizabeth Bellanca. A special thanks to Beth Mathis, Luis Matos, and Angela Lynch for helping with everything!!

WHAT’S HAPPENING IN THE ART ROOM???

- 6th Grade – finishing up their Chinese paper lanterns
- 5th Grade – finishing up their Yayoi Kusama sculptures
- 4th Grade – beginning their 3D ice cream cone sculptures
- 3rd Grade – beginning their “crazy hair day” self portraits
- 2nd Grade – finishing up their animal environment projects
- 1st Grade – finishing up their “Where the Wild Things Are” monsters
- Kindergarten – working on their winter cardinal projects
SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL (SAC): This group is composed of BPS staff, parents, and community members. We would LOVE to have you join us! We meet monthly after school and the next meeting is January 13th at 2:45 pm in the Media Center. The agenda includes an update on iReady Diagnostic 2 and our free/reduced lunch count.

BECOME A VOLUNTEER: Would you like to help in the classroom, around school, at Book Fairs, on field trips, etc.? Please go to https://www.brevardschools.org/Page/11104 for information. The cost is $35 for the fingerprinting and then $8 to renew each year. We will be advertising for lots of help all year long! GREAT NEWS: The district now accepts online payments for fingerprinting at the following link: https://www.e-billexpress.com/ebpp/BPSPayment

TITLE I: On January 22nd, from 6 – 7 pm in the Media Center, we will be having a Title I Night on Mental Health Awareness. If your child has ever experienced stress or anxiety over school, tests, etc. then please come and learn ways to help them. Ginny Gleason and Janean Knight from the district will be presenting a program. We hope to see everyone there!

ART: The art room is in need of wire hangers. 4th Grade will be doing a 3D sculpture using the wire and any donations would be a big help! Thank you for all of your help and support.

SAFETY REMINDERS:

- Always have your photo ID when picking up a student or coming on campus. You will be asked to show it.
- Please send changes in dismissal transportation to your child’s teacher in writing each time that your child will be going home a different way. No changes may be taken over the phone.
- Please do not ask your child to walk to you in the parking lot – you will need to either wait in the car loop line, or park your car and walk over to pick him/her up.
- Please use the crosswalks in the parking lot.
- If possible, please refrain from using your cell phone when picking up your child in the car loop as that will help with traffic flow and your child may be very excited to tell you about his/her day. Remember, it is illegal to hold a cell phone in your hand in a school zone as of October 1, 2019.

FALL PICTURES: It’s not too late to view and order your child’s school picture through DSP! Please visit www.dsp-photo.com and enter your child’s student ID number for direct access.

FROM THE CLINIC: If your child is not feeling well in the morning, please don’t send them to school. They may not have a fever, but they can’t do their personal best if they are ill. Thanks!

Students may not transport medication to and from school, including over the counter items such as cough drops, inhalers, sinus medicine, etc. Parents must bring the medication to the school nurse and fill out the instruction forms. Nurse Martha is at school by 7:30 am to help you.

BREVARD AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM: Please do not drop students off at school prior to 7:30 am as there will not be supervision. If you would like to enroll your child in before, after, or before and after care, please contact Ms. Shawna at 321-264-3070 and she will be happy to help you!

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION: The Box Tops for Education program is currently changing. If you have not done so, please download the app from the App Store or Google Play. During the transition of the next 3 years,
there will be some box tops that still need to be cut off and sent in to school. Please check the due date and do not send them in if it is before February 20th. Thanks!

**POP TABS:** Please continue to send them in and ask your family, friends and neighbors to help with this as well. Thanks!

**CLUB CORNER:**

- **K-KIDS** – K-Kids will be participating in the Titusville Martin Luther King, Jr. parade.
- **NEHS** – The next meeting will be Thursday, January 30th.
- **6th GRADE STRINGS** – Class is held Tuesday during activity time and Wednesday from 7:50 am – 8:30 am.
- **5th GRADE STRINGS** – Class is held Tuesday during activity time and Thursday from 7:50 am – 8:30 am.
- **CHORUS** – still open for 4th – 6th graders. Chorus practice is Tuesday morning from 7:15 am to 8:00 am.
- **GOOD NEWS CLUB** – Good News Club continues every Tuesday. Students must have returned permission slips and have transportation home at 4 pm. Please meet us on the patio.
- **ART CLUB** – Art Club will resume Thursday, January 23rd, from 2:30 – 3:15. We will begin working with canvas panels.
- **MORNING MILE** – Coach D is holding Morning Mile again!! 5th and 6th grade students will run from 7:35 – 7:50 on Tuesday mornings, 4th grade students will run 7:35 – 7:50 on Wednesday mornings, and 3rd grade students will run 7:35 – 7:50 on Thursday mornings. Great way to start the day!