



The Relay Express

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Message From the Principal

We would like to invite all of our parents to join us for American Education Week, November 16th -20th. During this time, you may visit your child's classroom on a specific day, and observe instruction in your child's classroom from 9-11am. *The visitation schedule is included for your information.* Since space is limited, we can't accommodate parents during lunchtime in the cafeteria. Thanks for understanding.



The PTA will sponsor the annual Book Fair, which will be held in the library, from November 16th - 20th. Mrs. Stevenson, librarian, will be explaining the process to all students next week during their library class. *Students will receive a class shopping schedule and a permission slip to shop at the Book Fair.* Parents are welcomed to join their child at the scheduled time, or to shop at any time in the Library during the Book Fair week.

We had an outstanding participation rate for our Relay Review summer program. Approximately 70% of our students completed this packet! Over 215 trophies were distributed to students who completed the packet over the summer. Thank you to the Relay PTA for purchasing these trophies for the students.

The end of the marking period is Thursday, November 5th. School is closed on Friday, November 6th for students. Teachers will be on duty and will be working on report cards. Pre-K, Kindergarten and Grade 1 teachers will schedule conferences to discuss student progress. Students in grades 2-5 will receive report cards, which will be sent home on Thursday, November 19th.

Please check your child's report card envelope for a flyer from the Relay library with information on how to access the website called "Tumble Books." This is a database that is paid for by our school, and allows all students to listen to "books on the computer" at home for free!

Sincerely,
Heidi Miller
Principal
hmiller@bcps.org

American Education Week Visitation Schedule 9-11am

Coffee & Light Refreshments for Adults from 8:25-9:00am daily, in the cafeteria, courtesy of the PTA

Monday, Nov. 16th, Grades 4 & 5
Tuesday, Nov. 17th, Grades 3, Kindergarten & Pre-K
Wednesday, Nov. 18th, Grades 2nd & FALS
Thursday, Nov. 19th, Grade 1
Friday, Nov. 20th, Grandparent's Day

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Heidi Miller, Principal
Brian Williams, Asst. Principal

Special Dates to

Remember.....

Thursday, November 5th
End of first marking period

Friday, November 6th
School Closed for Students

Monday, November 9th
Last day to order from Market Day www.marketday.com
Chick-Fil-A-Fundraiser
5—8 pm

Tuesday, November 10th
Identi-Kid 9:30am

Friday, November 13th
Volunteer Training 8:45am

American Education Week & PTA Book Fair
Nov.ember 16th—20th

Thursday, November 19th
Picture Make-up day
Report cards go home

Monday, November 23rd
School Closed for Students for Conference Day

Thurs & Friday—November 26th & 27th —Schools closed for Thanksgiving holiday.

Happy Thanksgiving!



Market Day Fundraiser for Technology

Please participate in our fundraiser for technology! By ordering from Market Day, you can provide delicious meals for your family at a great price. We receive a percentage which goes directly to fund technology. Visit www.marketday.com and place your order. The last day to order this month is November 9th. Delivery is November 16th from 4:30-5:30pm in the school cafeteria. Thank you!



Attendance Ribbons

Each marking period, students can earn an attendance ribbon if they have only 2 excused absences, and 1 excused lateness. If your child meets this criteria, they will receive a ribbon in their report card envelope! Kindergarten and grade 1 will receive their ribbons in their take home folder.



School Absences

If your child is absent or late for school, please send a note to the homeroom teacher. Absences and lateness are excused for illness, death in the immediate family, or religious holiday. Other absences/lateness are unexcused. If a student does not send in a note, then the absence is coded as unexcused. Thank you

Counselor's Corner

Thank you to all children and parents for your support of national "Red Ribbon Week." I enjoyed planning the activities and my time in classrooms educating the children about tobacco and refusal skills. Please continue to reinforce our, "Be Smart, Don't Start" theme.

November brings a focus on the character traits of *Loyalty and Cooperation*. We will be encouraging our students to demonstrate these qualities in their every day actions by:

- Working well with others
- Keeping promises
- Not spreading rumors or gossip
- Being a faithful friend
- Listening carefully to others

Many of you have contacted me about applying to Sudbrook Magnet Middle School. Please don't forget this important date. Sudbrook Magnet Middle's Open House will be held November 5th from 5:30-7:00 and I encourage anyone considering this school to attend.

Changing Families Groups: I am in the process of planning for children who are living in homes with recent separation, divorce or remarriage. The holidays can sometimes be stressful for these children. If your child is in need of support please contact me by email or phone so that I may add them to the group. dcampbell2@bcps.org; 410-887-1426. Thank you all for sending us your children. They truly are the best!

Denise Campbell, School Counselor
Amanda McCann, Counseling Intern, Loyola College

Cookbooks for Technology



Next week we will begin our Cookbooks for Technology fundraiser. Brochures and order forms will be sent home on Monday.

These cookbooks are inexpensive (\$6.50). We feature 12 different titles to choose from and they make wonderful Holiday gifts or stocking stuffers for Mom, Grandmom, teachers and special friends.

The fundraiser will run through November 20th and will be delivered in time for the holidays. Samples of the cookbooks are in the display case in the lobby. You may send your order in with your child or visit our **Cookbooks for Technology Table** during American Education Week.

As always, thank you for your continued support!!!

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