



Dear Families,

The last month of the 2020 will prove to be just as exciting as the rest of the year. Usually by this time in the school year we have already had gatherings for school events, PTO meetings and socials, Spirit Day and activities, celebrations, fundraisers, and service projects. In keeping with our reopening plan, we will continue to honor our elimination of visitors and volunteers on the campus. This includes tours. We do have supplies delivered and school items accepted for the classrooms (ex: sanitizer and disinfectant wipes). These items are wiped down, set aside for a while and then used in the school. Teachers try their best to leave school work and items here and not cross between their personal home. We are also continuing the practice of no items brought from home for the class which includes birthday treats and snacks to share. I know this is hard for everyone with the holiday season approaching. Please respect this rule by not sending in gifts and treats for teachers, staff or students this year. At the last PTO meeting we discussed ways to make this year a “virtual” greeting venue. As a school family we need to respect everyone’s comfort level, do our best to keep the spread of the virus down, understand that not everyone is working full time, and share joy and say thank you. How will this look? Here are some ideas to help you and your children this year.

- send an email card with a picture of art work from your child
- send an email note of thanks for the many things they do
- send a gift card virtually to the email account
- send a short video or carol
- donate to a local charity in the recipients honor
- do an act of kindness in the recipients honor
- take care of our wildlife in the recipients honor
- talk at home about the blessings of a supportive school
- plant a tree or flowers and share a picture via email
- take a break from it all and just relax this month

We all are just happy to see our families safe and healthy!

Happy Holidays!

Mrs. Cheryl Turner
Principal/Administrator



Declaration for the second semester

With the state proposing the continuation of eLearning, our families will have the choice to come back to the campus or move to eLearning beginning January 4th. We will submit a plan for approval with the district. Please look for that email and make your commitment before the Winter Break on December 18th. This can be returned electronically. We are working closely with BPS to develop the plan and declaration. Everyone will need to return the form even if you are staying in the same learning environment. Remember eLearners will still need to come to the campus for assessments regularly and for high stakes state testing.

Registration for the new school year 21-22

To help us plan for next year, families will receive their re-enrollment forms the week of December 14th. These need to be filled out and returned by February 12th to keep your spot for next year. We will begin taking application from new families in January. Our hope is that next year we will return to our tradition setting with an increase in Montessori experiences in the classrooms. Thank you in advance for returning this intent. You will receive the FULL registration packet in the Spring with more information. If you are not planning on returning, please let the office know.



NEWS

There is no scheduled meeting for this month. Our group would like to know what you would like to use our fundraising efforts for this year. Please send ideas to our email: pto@educationalhorizons.net Suggestions discussed include: new playground monkey bars, artificial turf (long term project) for part of the field, a cemented and covered play area, outdoor intercom or speakers, cemented eating area for picnic tables, new plantings around entrance sign. We will meet again in January via ZOOM with the focus being on state testing this year. Plan on attending!



Our schools will be closed December 21st through January 1st. Our final day for the calendar year will be Friday December 18th (which will be our only early release day for the week). School office will be open most days, please call ahead of time for our hours. We will be getting ready for the students and teachers to return on Monday, January 4th. Enjoy the time with your family and stay well.

Thank you and best of luck to our Administrative Assistant for Country Day, Shevaun, who will be leaving us as of December 11th. She and Max will join her husband, Chad, in Connecticut to begin a new chapter of their lives. We will miss them and thank them for their years of commitment to our school in many roles. Be sure to wish Shevaun well when you see her.

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