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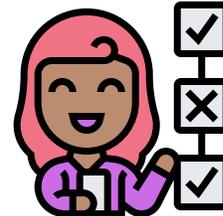
BELMONT BULLETIN



Students will have success for today and be prepared for tomorrow.

A MESSAGE FROM

Ms. Dodd & Ms. Cook



Welcome to a new school year! We are excited for the growth that our Tigers are showing as we continue to learn this year. As we start the new year, we want to make sure everyone is safe and has a great experience on the school bus, we've put together a list of important rules and expectations. Please take a moment to read and review them with your child:

1. General Expectations:

- No eating or drinking on the bus.
- Cell phones and other devices should not be out or used while on the bus.

2. Show Respectful Behavior:

- Treat the bus driver, fellow students, and any other individuals on the bus with kindness and respect.
- Use polite language and avoid disruptive behavior.
- Keep hands, feet, and other objects to yourself.

3. Stay Seated:

- Find your assigned seat and remain seated during the entire bus ride.
- Avoid moving around while the bus is in motion for your safety and the safety of others.

4. Follow Instructions:

- Listen to and follow the instructions of the bus driver at all times.
- Cooperate with any additional guidelines provided by school staff.

5. Follow Emergency Procedures:

- Pay attention when the bus driver explains emergency procedures.
- Follow instructions calmly and quickly in case of an emergency.

These rules are designed to ensure a safe and pleasant bus ride for everyone. Remember to be responsible and considerate, and you'll contribute to a positive school bus experience.

On a side note, we also want to remind families that when communicating with our staff and teachers, though many communicate more quickly, the expectation is for staff to respond within 48 business hours of receiving the correspondence.

Thank you, families, for your understanding and support!

Belmont Administration

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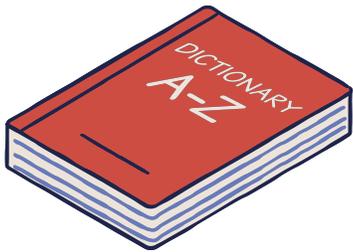
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LET'S TALK...ELL

with Ms. Lopez



This month we are focused on ACCESS testing for our ELL students which consists of the four language domains: listening, speaking, reading and writing. The testing window is from January 30 to March 6, 2024. Letters have been sent home so that parents of our ESOL students are able to have more information. Please know that this test helps us assess the English language proficiency of our students and students do not have to study anything specific for it. We have also been sending the Scholastic Storyworks subscription for all our students in the program and they have been learning how to use the online resources for practice at home. Reading is the key to knowledge, and we want to encourage a love of learning for our students.

If you have any questions, as always please reach out to me at liz.lopez@hcps.net or (813) 378-8001 ext.246.

Be Kind.



A NOTE FROM *Ms. Rhinehart* YOUR SCHOOL COUNSELOR

During the month of February, our Tigers will be focused on kindness! Students and teachers will be encouraged to have discussions during their morning meetings to talk about what kindness means and why it is important to treat others and ourselves with kindness.

We will also be celebrating Kindness week (2/12 - 2/15), where students and staff will have the opportunity to participate in school-wide and classroom activities to promote Kindness on campus. The word kindness includes many different core values such as Respect, Integrity, Responsibility, Acceptance and Inclusion.

It is our hope that together as a school community, we can help teach and show our students why kindness is so valuable and important.

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Ms. Travis' **READING CORNER**

The Student Literacy and Media Showcase is coming to Belmont Elementary School! Your students have been encouraged to check out and read this year's S.S.Y.R.A. nominated books when they have visited the library. Our S.L.A.M. Showcase spotlights student work that was inspired by these books. If your student would like to participate there is still time! Our S.L.A.M. showcase will be held on February 29th (it's a leap year this year) from 5-6PM. There will be a winner announced for every grade level.

What can your student make? Anything. The sky is the limit. Your student can write a piece of poetry, draw a picture, create a game, or even submit a video. I am very excited to see all our submissions this year. If you would like to see the list of this year's S.S.Y.R.A. books, please click the Media Center tab under resources. These books can be found at many different retailers, as well as your public library. If you have any additional questions, please feel free to reach out.

Thank you for your support!
Ms. Travis



STAFF MEMBER STOPLIGHT **MS. WEAVER**

Mrs. Weaver has been teaching for 21 years. She has taught kindergarten mostly but has also taught VE, 1st, 2nd and 3rd grades. Teaching is one of the most rewarding parts of her life. She says she loves to see students grow and learn to love school. Mrs. Weaver is a Dance Mom and a proud Navy Mom. She says that she feels so much joy through the accomplishments of her own 3 children.

In her free time, she hits every theme park in Orlando from Disney to Universal. She loves to "be a kid" a lot. Mrs. Weaver is one of 8 in her household growing up. She is a sports fanatic! Go BEARS, BULLS, CUBS! Can you guess where her hometown is? Reading and scrapbooking also bring her joy. She loves eating lobster or just about any seafood. But the thing she loves cooking the most is gumbo since part of her family is from New Orleans. Her favorite movie is Avengers: Endgame. She has seen it about 20 times.

Mrs. Weaver loves working at Belmont with such talented and amazing teachers and families. Welcome to Belmont, Mrs. Weaver!



FEBRUARY 2024 TIGER TRACKS



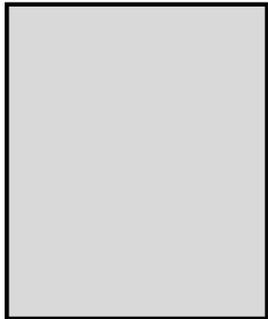
MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY



1
BLACK HISTORY MONTH BEGINS



2
TERRIFIC KIDS 8 AM
CROSSING GUARD APPRECIATION DAY



5

6
SPRING PICTURES



7
HOUSE COLOR DAY!!

8
4TH GRADE
KENNEDY SPACE CENTER
FIELD TRIP

9

12
KINDNESS WEEK BEGINS

13

14
HOUSE COLOR DAY!!

15
RANDOM ACTS OF
KINDNESS DAY

SAC MEETING
2:30 PM

16
NO SCHOOL

Kindness

19
PROGRESS ALERTS SENT
THIS WEEK

20
TEXAS ROAD HOUSE
SPIRIT NIGHT

4TH/5TH WRITING
MID YEAR TEST

21
HOUSE COLOR DAY!!

22
SCHOOL BUS DRIVE
APPRECIATION DAY



23

26
COLOR RUN



27

28
4TH GRADE
DIAMOND DEL FIELD TRIP

HOUSE COLOR DAY!!

29
2ND GRADE
CAMP BAYOU FIELD TRIP

LITERACY SLAM / BLACK
HISTORY CELEBRATION
4:30-6PM

**BLACK
HISTORY
MONTH**