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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year! The New Year has always been a time of reflection. We have had a successful first semester and continue to make strides academically, socially, and behaviorally. Thank YOU for your continued support!

New Year's is also a time for planning and envisioning the year ahead. As a parent, one of the most powerful areas in which you can influence your child is through their education. The School Board of Broward County recently sent out a survey asking you your plans for face to face instruction for the second semester beginning January 13th. We will work together to ensure the best and safest option you choose.

Here are a few suggestions:

- Have your child regularly attend school on time (remote or face to face)
- Celebrate your child's successes
- Take an interest in your child's classwork and communicate with your child's teacher
- Read with your child every night
- Remind your child he/she is special

Please make sure you stay connected to our school announcements and news. We are sending important information via Parent Link, email, and have been posting information on our website and through the MS Teams App. Please call the school at 754-321-6850 if you have any questions or we can help in any way!

Have a wonderful month of January and a healthy 2021!

In Love and Kindness,

Ms. Julie Gittelman, Proud Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER

January 4	Classes Resume
January 12	Early Release @ 1:15 pm
January 13	Begin 3 rd Quarter
January 18	No School/ Holiday
January 18-22	No Name Calling Week
January 25-29	National School Choice Week and Literacy Week
January 27	Virtual SAC/SAF Meeting @ 8:15am

HERITAGE AND CHARACTER TRAIT OF THE MONTH



January is Caribbean Heritage Month.

January's Character Trait is RESPECT. Respect is defined as showing high regard for an authority, other people, self and country. Treating others as you would want to be treated and understanding that all people have value as human beings.

BROWARD EDUCATION FOUNDATION SCHOOL SUPPLY CENTER

Broward Education Foundation School Supply Center (BEFSSC) had an abundance of artificial flowers, fleece blankets, copy paper and paper towels that were made available for curbside pickup. The Wingate Oaks family would like to thank our Cadre Director, Dr. Carletha B. Shaw-Rolle for sharing the information with us and BEFSSC for donating the free supplies.



INSTRUCTIONAL AND EMPLOYEE SUPPORT PERSONNEL

The teacher and ESP we would like to highlight this month are Ms. Barbara Clarke-Webb and Ms. Felicia Davis. Ms. Clarke-Webb continues to teach and create a positive learning experience and Ms. Davis provides on-the-job assistance to our K22 learners. The dynamic team is also working collaboratively with our learners showing them how to display and lower the flag daily and flag etiquette. Senior Tiana Guerrier is proud to display the flag on the flagpole, which is located outside the front office.

Way to go Team Awesome, Ms. Barbara and Ms. Felicia!



This Month.....

APPRECIATIONS

National School Choice Week is January 24-30, 2021. This week is dedicated to families to help raise awareness about the different K-12 education options available to children. Broward County Public Schools offers a variety of programs to meet the needs of diverse learners. The 2021/22 School Choice application window is open through February 8, 2021. Go to www.browardschools.com for more information.

VIRTUAL SAC/SAF MEETING

SAC - SCHOOL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

SAF-SCHOOL ADVISORY FORUM

SAC is responsible for developing and monitoring the school improvement plan. We always want input. Please join us at our next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, January 27th at 8:15am. We look forward to your support. If you have questions, please contact our SAC Chair, Mrs. Seeburger, or SAF Chair, Mr. Way at the school.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW IN A CRISIS

Every school has an individualized Emergency Plan that is updated annually and reviewed with staff members, county and city police. The plans include responsibilities before, during, and after an incident.

In the event that an evacuation to an alternate site is required, information for parents will be: 1. Sent via an automated phone message to the student's emergency numbers listed in their files. 2. Available by calling the hotline at 754-321-0321. 3. Posted on the school website.

If there is an emergency situation occurring at our school, please use the methods above to obtain information. There will be instructions about the incident, parking, parent reunification sites, etc. Emergency vehicles will always receive first access to the building.

Under certain circumstances, it may be necessary to lockdown the building, until it is safe to release students. Visitors to the school will be directed to a separate area to await direction from emergency personnel. In rare circumstances, it may be necessary to prohibit anyone from entering or leaving the building or campus.

IMPORTANT SAFETY TIPS:

- Adults will always stay with your child until you can safely be reunited with your child or they can safely be transported home.
- Your child will ONLY be released to those persons listed on your emergency information card. It is critical that this information be correct and updated, as needed. Please bring identification with you if the school must dismiss children earlier than the scheduled time.
- It is necessary that all medical information is accurate if your child takes medication at school or if there is a special medical situation.

The Broward School Board Police Department has a 24-hour Emergency Hotline for parents, teachers, students, and community members. This is one way to provide information about a potentially dangerous situation. Another method available to parents and students is the Free FortifyFL app that can be downloaded from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store. FortifyFL is a suspicious activity reporting tool that allows you to instantly relay information (anonymous or non-Anonymous) to appropriate Law Enforcement Agencies and school officials. You can also include photos or a video with your information or tip. All information is reviewed and relayed to the proper authorities. The EMERGENCY HOTLINE is 754-321-0911.

