

January 2023 February



Happy New Year!

Wishing that 2023 brings you and your family continued health, peace and much happiness!!!

We will be slightly changing the format of this Newsletter. Moving forward, each Newsletter will contain two months at a glance for your convenience. We will continue to post information on our Harry F. Abate webpage, on Facebook and will use the All call system for any upcoming dates or updates to the calendar. If you have a change in contact information or of address, please call the Main Office so we can be certain to reach you.

Report Cards: Trimester 1 Report Cards were mailed home the last week of December. Please reach out to us if you have not received your child's report card.

Parent Teacher Communication day: January 10th is our 2nd scheduled Parent Teacher communication afternoon with teacher office hours between 3:15 pm - 5:15 pm. Your child's teacher will be contacting you directly with the specifics on how they will be running their parent teacher conferences. We welcome you to contact us at any time if you have any questions or concerns.

Parent Group: Thank you once again, due to your generosity our students were able to participate in our STEM Family night and experience a very exciting Wacky Science assembly in the month of December. These funds will support future events and programs to include an assembly in February. Our next Sister School Parent Group meetings are scheduled for January at Kalfas and February at Abate. More Information to come.

Extended Day programming will begin again on Thursday January 19th to include Basketball and Drama club.

Safety and Security: Please continue to be mindful of the traffic patterns in the Main Entrance to support 3, one-way driving lanes. Proceed with caution while maintaining a 5mph speed limit and honor the distinct Drop-off lane to create a clear line of traffic. We ask that you do not park or get out of your cars in these

designated lanes. Please park in the front parking lot for dismissal if you have to leave your car.

Thank you for your continued support of the **Raptor Visitor Management System and the Evolv checkpoint security system**. Before visiting the school, please call the school's main telephone number and make an appointment for your visit. Gentle reminder, anyone entering our school must present a driver's license or government identification and be checked-in utilizing this system.

Clinic-Important note on monitoring student health:

Thank you for your continued support in monitoring your child(ren's) health prior to them leaving for school. We ask that you **do not send your child(ren) to school if they are feeling unwell**. Your child's teacher will work with you to offer work/support while they are absent. Please call Mrs. Gardner (school nurse) (716) 278-7964 with any questions or concerns.

Social Emotional Learning: The highlighted character traits for the months of January and February are **Tolerance and Integrity**. The *Move this World* themes are **Empathy** (feeling or understanding what someone else is feeling, perspective taking) and **Diversity** (Understanding, appreciating and celebrating our differences).

Upcoming dates:

Tuesday 1/3 return to school

Jan 10 Parent Teacher Communication Day

Jan 16 Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday (No school)

Jan 17 REMOTE INSTRUCTIONAL DAY (students report to school on-line, in Teams from home)

Jan 19 Extended Day clubs begin

Jan 27 No School (Superintendent's conference day)

Feb 20 President's Day observed (No School)

If I can be of any assistance, please E-mail or call,

Warm regards,



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