



Beaver Brook Elementary

July 28, 2017

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Administrators Message

We look forward to seeing you at our **Monday, August 28 Open House from 3:30-5:30 PM**. Our custodians and staff have been working hard to unpack, clean, and organize as we have transitioned from being a grades 1-4 school to becoming a grades K-2 school. If you know someone who has moved into the area or has a child who will be 5 years old by August 31, 2017; please inform them we will be open for **new student registration on Monday, August 7 between 4-6 PM**. New students may also register August 16-17 from 9-3. If you are thinking about school supplies, check out each grade's list on our website. Catherine Zinni and Lori Gover

Important Dates

Aug. 7 from 4-6PM
New student registration

Aug. 28 from 3:30-5:30PM
Open House

Aug. 29
School starts grades 1-2
Arrival 9-9:15
Breakfast arrival 8:45-9
Dismissal is at 3:20

Aug. 29-31
Kindergarten screenings by
appointment

Sept. 1 and 4
No School

Sept. 5
School starts grade K

Sept. 14
Early Release at 12:15
No PM K session
AM K dismissal at 12:15

Sept. 27 from 6-7:30PM
Curriculum Night highlights
Wonders reading program

Communication

Have a question or something you'd like us to be aware of?
Feel free to reach out via email and we'll be glad to help.
catherinezinni@abingtonps.org (Principal)
lorigover@abingtonps.org (Assistant Principal)

Sign up for our Constant Contact email list: <http://conta.cc/2bf0lbl>
Forward this newsletter to a family who wants to sign up to get this.

Maintaining Academic Schools During Summer

Summer is a great time to visit the Abington Public Library. Check out books on topics you find interesting, enjoy a great story, or find an adventure! Go to www.abingtonps.org then click Schools then Beaver Brook to download our Sandcastle picture to draw and/or write about a book you enjoyed. Bring it to school at Open House or the first week to share your book.

Cook recipes together to practice fractions and following directions. Talk a walk and notice house numbers; are they increasing or decreasing as you travel? Keep a journal online or in a notebook about activities you do or people you meet. Play games to encourage turn taking and how to win or lose.

Class Placement/Welcome Letter

Class placement and back to school letters will be mailed the week of August 18 to the address we have on file for you.



Special Education

If your child received special education services last year in Abington and you have not signed/returned your child's IEP (Individual Education Plan), please do so. You can bring it to the Superintendent's Special Education Office at North School 171 Adams Street between 8:30-3. We need to know if you are accepting or rejecting services so we can plan staffing and service delivery schedules. Thank you

Social Emotional Wellness

Children can have a variety of emotions related to returning to school. Joy at seeing friends, anxiety about expectations in a different classroom, worry about will they know anyone, excitement about learning to read, etc.

Our next newsletter will provide information about routines, lunch menu, and ways to assist with the return to school.

PTO News

Some PTO members have already begun preparations for another amazing year. We've participated in a Booster-Thon Fun Run webinar, counted hundreds of Box Tops (keep collecting General Mills and other Box Top product labels), and have set the date for our first 2017-18 meeting.

Please consider meeting other parents/guardians and volunteering to assist with an activity or event. Sign up lists to learn more about specific activities will be out at Open House. Our first meeting is **Monday, September 11 at 7PM**. We meet in the BBES cafeteria. Hope to see you!

Health Suggestions for a Safe and Comfortable School Start

- ☺ Remember children need a helmet when bike riding to to reduce injuries so they avoid concussions
- ☺ Flip flops are for home, not safe at school
- ☺ Comfortable clothes and sneakers are great for school as temperatures fluctuate and for an active recess
- ☺ Bring a water bottle (child's name on it) for in class use if you prefer your child to avoid water fountains
- ☺ Immunizations should be up to date to start school

Important Links

APS Food Services

http://www.abingtonps.org/central_office/food_services.php

Use the link above to sign up for the online payment program for lunch/breakfast so your child doesn't need to worry about having enough money and you can see how it is spent.

Transportation

<http://abingtonps.org/District%202017-2018/2018%20Bus%20Applications%203.pdf>

<http://abingtonps.org/District%202016-2017/Bus%20Applications%20in%20PORTUGUESE.pdf>

Use the link above to learn about school busing and print the forms to complete if you are interested.