



# Beaver Broadcaster

March 9, 2018

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## Administrators Message: Beaver Brook is an amazing community of families

Two storms close together, each with outcomes impacting Beaver Brook families and staff- Deluge of rain, no power, fallen trees damaging homes and vehicles, floods, snow and ice, spoiled food thrown away, and lack of heat or internet. In the midst of these challenges, there were many people who made life better...

PTO volunteers who came to the Book Fair in torrential rain and added a day so students could experience the excitement of a new book, custodians and town departments cleaning up after the storms, maintenance and electric crews addressing power and facility damage, police/ fire/ emergency responders maintaining safety in the town, families and staff hosting those without power or donating to those who lost belongings or their home, staff substitutes and library volunteers braving the weather and lack of power at home to come to school, parents/guardians driving their children to/from school while staying out of town, staff comforting students and helping them adjust to the temporary challenges of these events- We want to express our appreciation to everyone for their dedication and acts of kindness!

In addition, while we have focused on weather safety in the recent week, Abington continues to focus on personal safety. You are invited to a School Safety Panel on **Tuesday, March 13** beginning at **6:30PM** hosted in Abington High School's seminar room (1<sup>st</sup> floor just beyond main office). Police and School Administrators will engage in a dialogue about measures regarding school safety. Due to content sensitivity, this is an adult event. Mrs. Zinni and Mrs. Gover

## Important Dates

### March 11 Turn clock ahead 1 hr

### March 12 Rescheduled Meetings

School Council 5-6PM tech lab  
Parade at 6PM, PTO 7PM cafeteria  
Fundraiser Mixed Bags ends today

### March 14-15 Aquarium field trip

Wed 3/14 Rooms 3, 11, 12  
Thur 3/15 Rooms 1, 2, 13

### Friday, March 23 Report Cards

Grades 1-2 Report cards, Special education and English Language Learner progress notes go home

### March 27 Library Trip

Room 21 Maguire 9:30-11AM

### March 29 Toe Jam Puppet Show

9:45 and 12:45 Grades PK, K  
Students only

### Thur, March 29 Bingo

Grades K, 1, 2 cafeteria  
6:30-7:30 PM children with adult

### Friday, March 30

No School

## 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.

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## Constant Contact Automated Email

Sign up for Constant Contact email list: <http://conta.cc/2bf0lbL>. You will get this newsletter on Fridays, and other email notices from school. Or go to our website [www.abingtonps.org](http://www.abingtonps.org) and click **Join Mailing List** in the top corner of the web page.

## Special Feature: Jump Rope for Hearts by Wellness Teacher Ms. Pulkinen

Beaver Brook Elementary School has done a tremendous job in raising funds for the American Heart Association. A total of \$9305.00 was collected from friends and families of our Beaver Brook students. Once again, I am so impressed with the generosity of our community! The American Heart Association's mission is to support cardiovascular disease prevention, access to quality care for cardiovascular patients, and heart disease/stroke research. Our students also learned a great deal about healthy eating choices and including exercise into their daily lives. Thank you, again, from the bottom of our HEARTS.

## Beaver Best Focus in March: Belonging

Students can belong to many groups: family, class, school, team, club, etc. Talk about how they know if they belong to a group and how they can help others join a group. Read the Dr. Seuss book *The Sneetches* at home or in the library.



### Incoming Kindergarten Registration for 2018-2019

If you know a family with a child who will be age 5 by August 31, 2018 and is not registered for next year's kindergarten classes, please encourage them to call our secretary Ms. Hitchins to schedule a registration appointment. Forms and details about registration are on the [www.abingtonps.org](http://www.abingtonps.org) website- click Schools- click Beaver Brook- click on Kindergarten.

### Field Trip Reminders

Field trips are an extension of learning outside school. However, behavior expectations are the same: calm body, safe sitting on the bus, respect of others and property, quiet voice, waiting a turn, body to self, and good manners. Please review these behavior expectations with your child a few days before he/she will be participating in a field trip. Students must be on time so they are able to ride the bus. Missing the field trip bus means they stay at school.

Parents/guardians should carefully read information sent home about a trip and things to bring, or not to bring. Glass containers and soda stay home. Pack an easy to eat lunch for a full day trip. Wear comfortable walking shoes. If a chaperone, smoking and E-vaping are not allowed. Bring a small bag as you will be given a student list, tissues/gloves/bandaids, and may need a cell phone to keep track of time or to call the school if an emergency occurs. Review your volunteer guidelines packet again before chaperoning a field trip.

### Student Start and End School Times for 2018-2019 Year

Please share these times with your daycare providers for next year. Also expect school to start next year in the last week of August so plan accordingly.

Grades K, 1, 2	Beaver Brook Elementary	9:00-3:05
Grade K AM	Beaver Brook Elementary	9:00-11:40 AM
Grade K PM	Beaver Brook Elementary	12:15-3:05 PM

Grades 3, 4	Woodsdale Elementary	8:40-2:45
Grades 5-8	Abington Middle	7:50-2:22
Grades 9-12	Abington High	7:25-1:57
Preschool	8:20-10:55 AM	afternoon session is 11:35-2:10 PM

### Abington Public Preschool Registration Rescheduled Event

Parents/guardians, of children ages 3 or 4 by August 31 and toilet trained, are invited to register for preschool on Wednesday, March 14 from 8:45-1:45 in the Preschool at 201 Gliniewicz Way. Call 781-982-2195 for details.

### Abington's St. Patrick's Day Parade

We will be joining in the Abington festivities for St. Patrick's with staff, students, and families participating in the parade on March 18 at 1PM. Come to the BBES planning meeting with Mr. Bailey on **Monday, March 12 at 6PM in the cafeteria** to get details and decide if you want to be a part of it.

### Important Links

#### APS Food Services

[http://www.abingtonps.org/central\\_office/food\\_services.php](http://www.abingtonps.org/central_office/food_services.php)

Add \$ to your child's account or view the balance, see the menu

Also, go here to get Food Service Director Mr. Darcy's contact information for questions about your account or payments owed.

Owing money for a few days results in a basic lunch, not your child's choice of lunch. Lunch is \$2.50 per day or \$12.50 per week.

Your child should be able to tell you his/her four-digit lunch code.

#### Transportation

<http://abingtonps.org/District%202017-2018/2017.2018%20Bus%20Applications%203.pdf>

**Forms, District Calendar, School News can be found at the district's webpage**

[www.abingtonps.org](http://www.abingtonps.org)