

BRIDGE BULLETIN

JANUARY 30, 2021

AND...IT'S A CUT!

Monday is February 1st....I have checked my calendar 100 times because it feels like I just woke up on January 4 to head back to school after Christmas break. Before you know it, May will be here and we will be preparing for the last day of school.

If you follow social media you will see we had some fun things happening this month - lots of science activities (shout out to our amazing science specialist Ms. Smith) and our first "Purple Ticket Party"! Mrs. Eschler's class was our first winner of the "Masks Up Zero Ribbits" campaign. We danced, played with a parachute and watched a movie while eating popsicles...basically a dream come true for kindergartners!

Our calendar for next school year is ready to go - thank you for ALL of the feedback via the survey that was sent out. We will present the calendar to the Board on February 16. If it is approved as is, I will post it on our website and notify you of the posting.

Speaking of surveys - PLEASE check your email for a link to our Bridge Family winter survey. We used feedback from the October survey and made some of the suggested changes. We rely on this information to help us build a safe and positive learning environment for all our kiddos!

Have a safe, fun and fabulous weekend!

Lani Rounds
Principal

FREE DINNER BEGINS ON MONDAY!

Starting Monday, ALL student participants in BASE will get FREE dinner! BASE begins at 3:30 and dinner is served at 4:10 pm. BASE students are released from school at 4:30 pm. in the cafeteria. A requirement of our FREE dinner program is students MUST attend BASE in order to get dinner. Additionally, students MUST be signed up for BASE in order to attend. If you want to sign your student up for our FREE after school enrichment program please send an email to Sara Tucker sara@BridgeCharter.org



PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent Teacher Conferences are in February. Teachers have created a conference schedule and a sign up. Teachers have sent information regarding signing up for a conference. The conference schedule is also available on our website at:

<https://www.bridgecharter.org/school-events>



Please NOTE - our conferences are on February 24, 25 and 26. Conferences on February 25 and 26 are ALL day and there is **NO school** on those two days. Wednesday, February 24 is a short day and school is dismissed at 1:15.

Teachers will have conferences available 4 pm - 8 pm on one of the days to allow for working parents. Teachers will offer a combination of Zoom and in-person meetings to help us remain COVID compliant. If you are planning to attend in-person PLEASE bring a maximum of TWO people to the conference to ensure the safety of all individuals present and ALL individuals ages 3+ must wear a face covering.

OUR FIRST LOTTERY IS TUESDAY!

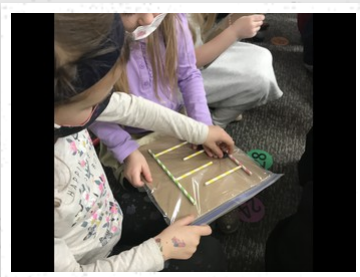
As you know our lottery opened January 18. On Tuesday we will run the first lottery. With this lottery we will select students with preferences - siblings, military, children or grandchildren of founding board members, and children of employees. Then, the lottery program will fill any remaining spots by randomly selecting any other students in the lottery.



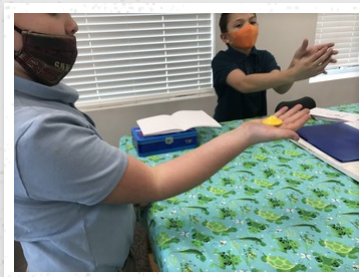
If you have friends, neighbors or family members interested in having their children attend Bridge for the upcoming school year, please let them know that **THIS lottery is the MOST important lottery of the entire year** as it is the one that initially fills our seats. We will run additional lotteries, every two weeks as needed, if open seats become available.

SCIENCE IN ACTION

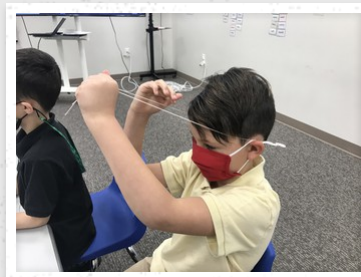
Our Science Specialist, Ms. Smith, does an amazing job at getting kids DIRECTLY involved in science!



MOTION



ENERGY



SOUND

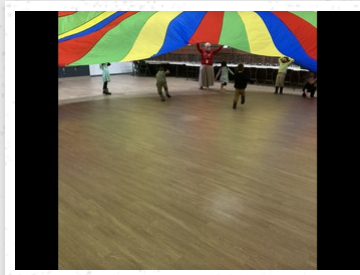
VALENTINE'S DAY EXCHANGE

There will be **NO** exchange of Valentine's cards or gifts this year at Bridge between students. This doesn't mean teachers won't be doing something fun IN the classroom. We made this decision based on current COVID restrictions and the current rise in positive COVID rates within the community. We may be erring on the side of caution but we feel this is the BEST way to help keep our students safe. **Please be understanding** - one day this pandemic will be behind us and we can return to what we refer to as "normal operations".



Additionally, Valentine's Day is on a Saturday this year making it a great time to celebrate with the family. The previous Friday (February 12) and the following Monday (February 15) are also *no school* days.

PURPLE TICKET PARTY



READY2TEACH

Bridge is ALWAYS in need of great subs! If you are interested in subbing at Bridge - lunchroom, recess, classrooms, special education, etc. please apply today through Ready2Teach using the button above. We pay \$12 for all substitute positions.

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING DAY AND PRESIDENT'S DAY

Friday, February 12, is a Professional Learning Day for teachers and there is NO school for students. The following Monday, February 15, is President's Day and there is no school for staff or students. This allows our families a FOUR DAY weekend with Valentine's Day squished in between. You can find our calendar on our website at <https://www.bridgecharter.org/school-calendar>

NO SCHOOL

Friday, February 12
Monday, February 15

VISIBLE LEARNING - ENTHUSIASM



This month during Visible Learning, students are learning about the importance of Enthusiasm. Please have your students practice the following "I Will..." statements.

- I will be an energy giver.
- I will smile.
- I will encourage others.
- I will treat every job as important.
- I will not be discouraged by failure.

Our mission is to empower students to take ownership of their own learning. By learning, practicing and embracing these visible learning traits, students will have the skills needed to become accountable for their own lifelong learning. You can find the six Visible Learning traits on our website at [Visible Learning](#)



BRIDGE ELEMENTARY



The mission of Bridge Elementary is to provide students with a personalized learning experience and **empower** them to take personal ownership and accountability for their **own** academic performance.

WHO TO CONTACT FOR WHAT

Principal - [Lani Rounds](#)

Lead Secretary - [Lalani Williams](#) (Aspire, registration, lottery)

Director of Special Education - [Julie Christensen](#) - (IEPs and students with disabilities)

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