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#BresDates

11/28: PTO Meeting
7:00 PM, Bresnahan
Cafeteria

12/3:
Gr. 1-3 Progress
Reports

12/6-12/14:
Scholastic Book Fair

12/13:
Tanglewood
Marionettes
perform for PreK/K

12/19:
PTO Meeting 7:00
PM, Bresnahan
Cafeteria

12/21:
Early Release,
Dismissal at 11:15
AM. for PK,
Dismissal at 11:40
AM for K-3

3/8/19:
Child Find Screening

Progress Reports are coming for grades 1-3....

What is standards based reporting?

Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks were adapted from the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) and the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS).

The standards' focus is to encompass practices and concepts that would allow a student to develop college and career readiness. The Framework was written with the graduating ideal in mind, for a senior in high school, and then was planned backward down to our youngest learner. For the state of MA, the MA Framework can also encompass preschoolers. Should you like to peruse the Massachusetts Curriculum Framework, HERE is a [link](#).

So why do we share all of this background? The Bresnahan School's progress reports are standards based. This means that the items we hope for students to learn and that are noted on the progress reports are expected for mastery *by the end of the year*. We expect students to be working *toward* mastery. The progress reports are to give you a talking point/ point of reflection with how your child is progressing toward mastering the standards thus far. This information can complement your discussions you've already had with your child's teacher. We hope you enjoy another opportunity to talk with your learner about all of the neat things they are working on while at school.

**Breakfast Program
Daily**

8:05-8:20 AM

Cost: \$1.75

Reduced \$.30

Breakfast purchases can be made through an existing lunch account or by sending in cash or a check payment.

Breakfast will be included as part of the Free and Reduced lunch program.

Youth Services

News

[Newburyport Young Artist Holiday Art](#)

[Fair](#)

COMING November 28th 6-9pm

SPEAKER SERIES:

December 5th at 7pm

Hear Dr. Peter Gray at the Nock.

(see body for more info)

Preschool and Kindergarten Information Night

Preschool and Kindergarten Information Night for the 2019-2020 school year will be held on Wednesday, January 30, 2019 in the Bresnahan School Gymnasium. SNOWDATE will be Thursday, January 31, 2019. Preschool will be at 6:00pm and Kindergarten will be at 7:00pm. If you currently have a child enrolled in the preschool program who will be returning to our preschool program again next year, you do not need to attend the information evening to register your child. You are certainly welcome to attend should you wish to hear information about the programs.

Priority Registration for Siblings

Priority registration is open to siblings of students who have attended the Newburyport Public Schools Integrated Preschool Program (whether it was located at the Bresnahan or former Brown Schools). Priority registration will be between Monday, January 7th - Friday, January 18th only. Current students will be given priority over siblings. After January 19th all registrations will be subject to the lottery system. Siblings of current/former students must fill out completed registration packet, which can be found online on our website on January 7th.

The Newburyport Public Schools Integrated Preschool program does not include Kindergarten. The preschool program is run by the Department of Early Childhood and Care and Kindergarten falls under the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education; the two departments have different rules and regulations. Siblings of students who did not attend the Newburyport Public Schools Integrated Preschool program are not eligible for priority registration. These students should apply as new students and will be entered into the lottery.

All Other Registrations

All registrations will take place at the Bresnahan School Pre-K/K Office located at 333 High Street from: February 1st – February 28th (school days only) between 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Teams of Tomorrow

Teams of Tomorrow - Fundamentals and Creative Basketball Skills Demonstration Team registration is coming! This program is open to Third Grade students only and costs \$30 which includes the a team t-shirt and basketball. Sign up information will be available next week. All practices will be held before school. There are 65 spots - the first 65 students to sign-up will get the spots.

There are two half-time shows at the NBPT High School gym:

Girls Varsity Game: Tuesday, February 5th

Boys Varsity Game: Monday, February 11th

AND the halftime show for the HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS on Sunday, February 17 at 2pm at the Tsongas Arena in Lowell. Tickets will be available for families to buy and ticket information will be out soon.

If you have any questions please contact Cathy Hill (Physical Education Teacher and TOT Team coach) at chill@newburyport.k12.ma.us