

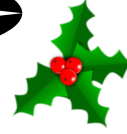


Belleair Elementary School Newsletter

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Principal's News

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UPCOMING EVENTS

December 1st-16th

MAP testing K-5

December 7th

SAC meeting 3:30 pm

December 17th

Picture re-takes

Dec. 21st-Jan. 3th

Winter Holiday Break

January 4th

School Opens

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Hello Belleair Families,

Happy December! The semester is nearly over and we are conducting our mid-year assessments to see the progress that our students have made. We are confident that all of our students will do well. Teachers will be contacting families to meet and discuss each students academic growth.

Many times families wonder what they can do at home with their child to support them in their education. There are three big things that families can do at home:

Ensure your child is at school before 8:45 and stay through the 2:55 bell.

Have your child read each day for 30

minutes. This can be you reading to them, them reading to you, or your child reading to a sibling.

Practice math facts at home. Addition and subtraction facts in Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd grades and multiplication and division in grades 3, 4, and 5.

Our Belleair family would like to thank you for sharing your child with us and we appreciate your partnership. Please remember that the school is closed for students from December 19th – January 3th. We will reopen on January 4th.



Happy Holidays!



Educationally yours,
Kelly Austin
Principal



Report a Safety Concern

Pinellas County Schools has partnered with Sandy Hook Promise to offer the Say Something Anonymous Reporting System. Say Something allows you to submit secure & anonymous safety concerns to help identify and intervene upon at-risk individuals BEFORE they hurt themselves or others. Tips made to the Say Something Anonymous Reporting System are passed along to the appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials.

Visit the [Say Something Anonymous Reporting System](#)



Additionally, the district utilizes FortifyFL, a school-related suspicious activity reporting tool that allows Florida students and the community the ability to instantly relay information anonymously concerning unsafe, potentially harmful, dangerous, violent or criminal activities, or the threat of these activities, to the appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials. FortifyFL was created and funded by the 2018 Florida Legislature as part of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Act.

Visit the [FortifyFL website](#)

What to Do When Your Child is Ill?



Please follow one of the three options:

1 A written diagnosis from a doctor that states illness is not Covid related. Student should be free of symptoms from the diagnosis written by doctor. Bring in the documentation to the school nurse.

2 Student tested negative on a PCR Covid Test. Bring in the documentation to the school nurse.

3 If no doctor diagnosis or Covid test is administered, the student can return to school after 10 days have gone by since the symptoms began, AND student has been fever-free for 24 hours without the use of medicine, AND the student's symptoms have improved.

Should you have further questions, please call the office and ask to speak to Nurse Deanna. Her hours are 8:00 – 3:30 p.m.



Please remember that no visitors are allowed on campus at this time. Parents and Students must wear masks while on campus.

A mask is part of your child's uniform and REQUIRED every day!



MAP testing Information

Belleair is starting our MAP testing this month. MAP (the Measure of Academic Progress) is a computerized adaptive test which helps teachers, parents and administrators improve learning for all students and make informed decisions to promote a child's academic growth. These tests will be held in grades Kindergarten through 5th periodically from December 1st to December 16th. Also, as a reminder, please have your child wear a mask and be on time to school every day. School starts at 8:45. Breakfast is very important and is offered free of charge every school day from 8:15 to 8:45.

Homework Hotline Information



Pinellas County Schools Homework Helpline, (727)547-7223, offers free homework help for students in grades 1-12. The Homework Helpline is staffed by teachers certified in math, science, language arts and social studies. Help is available from 5 to 8 p.m., Monday through Thursday, on all school days, except when there is no school the following day.