



**BAY POINT ELEMENTARY
MAGNET SCHOOL**

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Dear Bay Point Elementary Family and Friends,

We hope everyone had a restful and relaxing week off with family and friends. We are ready to finish out our 2nd marking period and complete our 1st semester of the school year. Please keep in mind that every minute of learning counts, so your child's regular attendance at school is vital. Every minute lost to absences, arriving late or being picked up early, means your child misses important instruction that can help them reach their grade level goals. Please monitor your child's attendance and limit absences and tardies. This is an easy thing that can go a long way to your child's success. Please also continue to encourage your child to always do their very best on every assessment as it is our way of gaging their current level of performance toward their grade level standards.

During this time of celebration and appreciation, I wanted to thank all of our families for being part of the Bay Point Elementary Magnet Family. Your faith in us and your support of the best elementary school in Pinellas County is appreciated more than we can tell you. Your students and their success are our highest priority. Please know we will continue to do our best to make your child successful working together.

Sincerely

Mrs. Broom



Calendar: December

4 Free dress Friday

Dec. 21– Jan. 4 Winter Break

Upcoming January:

4– Students and Staff return

6-15 District Application Window

15– Picture Retake Day

18– MLK day– No School

19– Pro Ed Day–No School



School Hours

8:45am—2:55 PM

Office Phone: 727-552-1449

Dial "0" for the Front Office

School Website:

www.pcsb.org/baypoint-es

TIP: Bookmark this page in your browser!

Commitment to Character

Self Motivation

Working in a careful and consistent manner without giving up

MISSION STATEMENT

Educate and Prepare Each Student for College, Career and Life.

NOTICIAS *Olé!*



Hola! Español!

We hope everyone has shared and enjoyed El Día de Acción de Gracias (Thanksgiving) with your family and friends.

During the month of November, the students learned about El Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) which is celebrated in Mexico. They reviewed vocabulary in a fun way with our play La Familia Cicatriz, which was broadcasted through a video via Zoom. Our scholars reviewed the vocabulary related to body parts and food items.



During the month of December our Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade students will continue to learn about numbers, greetings and fruits. Third and fourth graders will learn about clothing and “el verbo tener” (to have) and fifth graders will work on infinitive verbs.

Finally, all our children will be learning about our Hispanic traditions during Christmas holidays, songs, and typical Christmas activities that take place in the Hispanic culture.

The Spanish team wishes you a very Happy Holiday full of love, health and happiness.

Thank you!

The Spanish Team,
Sra. Jakubik, Sra. Morejon and Sra. Pernia



Magnet News

...Miss Negretti

Important Info-Incoming Kindergarten & 5th Grade Parents

Application Period for 2021-2022: Jan. 6-15, 2021
Discovery Nights:

Check out the Discovery Night Schedule to see when schools are having a visitors night for Middle School.

<https://www.pcsb.org/Page/17234>

Acceptance Period for the 2021-2022 Feb. 15-26, 2021

Who must apply: Any student who will be new to Bay Point Elementary, including incoming Kindergarten students. If you currently have a student who attends BPE, you do not need to reapply as they are grandfathered into the next grade level. If your child has a sibling that you would like to also attend BPE and they are not currently a student with us, you must complete the online application and then select the Sibling Priority Preference.

*Note: Priorities do not guarantee a student a seat but do increase their chances; please be advised priorities only apply if you select us as your #1 choice.

Tech News

Practice, Practice, Practice...

Our students have several online programs that can be accessed at home and/or at a public library. Every student has Online Home Access to all of our available online programs using the District's Clever portal. Students should use their school username and password to get access. If you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher.



Transportation Update

If your child rides a bus to school each day, you can keep updated on any issues by signing up for Bus Bulletin. Bus Bulletin will notify you by text, phone call or email if:

A bus is late, a route has changed or if there has been an accident.

If your child rides a bus, please take advantage of this free service. Sign-up by going to <http://busbulletin.com/parents/>

The bus bulletin link can also be found on the district website. Just click on the Transportation button.



Help Stop Bullying



It's never okay!
If you have a bully concern, please submit a report.
<https://www.saysomething.net/>

PLEASE BE REMINDED THAT ANYONE WHO MAY BE PICKING UP YOUR CHILDREN MUST BE LISTED ON THEIR PICK-UP CARD AND THEY MUST BRING

THEIR ID! Feel free to stop in and add as many people as you would like to



the card. If they are not on the card at the time of early or late pickup and/or they do not bring ID we cannot release your children to them.

This also includes you! Don't forget those IDs.

BAY POINT ELEMENTARY MAGNET SCHOOL PTA

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Special thanks to Zaneta Ellison for sharing nuggets on how we can, Thrive Through the Holidays.

Make realistic expectations for the holiday season including holiday giving.

Set realistic goals for yourself ... what you can and cannot do.

Pace yourself. Do not take on more responsibilities than you can handle.

Make a list and prioritize the important activities. This can help make holiday tasks more manageable.

Do not put all your energy into just one day (i.e., Thanksgiving Day, New Year's Eve). The holiday cheer can be spread from one holiday event to the next.

Keep your own well-being in mind. Self-care is important; not just the care of others.

Find ways to connect with your kids during the holiday season Watch a movie together, play board games, create family traditions, connect in conversations --- hear what is in the heads and hearts of the children.

Get help and support. Do not suffer in silence.

Zaneta Ellison LMHC, New Vision Behavioral Health

You Got Talent?



Poems, pictures, or short videos. PTA is looking for positive expressions of thankfulness, hope, holiday joy to post on Facebook. Goal is to replace some of the sadness in our community with HAPPINESS. Send your child/children creative items to baypointpta@gmail.com. After review, we will let you know when it will be posted. Items accepted through the end of the year. Help spread good cheer. Kathryn at 727-631-6035. SUPPORT your

PTA.

Looking for gift ideas ... include school t-shirts to the holiday wish list (\$8/each). To order your t-shirts or join PTA, copy and paste the link in your browser. <https://baypointelemmagnet.new.memberhub.store>. You can order and pay online; orders will be sent home by kids or other arrangements made with Kathryn. Questions, call 727-631-6035.



Our Guidelines for Success Things to keep in mind

**Be Responsible
Be Respectful
Be Safe**

- ◆ Students should not be running at any time on campus unless they are instructed to at PE
- ◆ They should check around themselves in the classroom and in the cafeteria and pick up any mess they have left behind
- ◆ If they cannot behave that way at home, they should not behave that way at school
- ◆ It is never okay to argue or yell at others
- ◆ They should have their listening ears on at all times
- ◆ If someone is regularly bothering them, tell an adult; adults can take care of it so students don't have to
- ◆ It is never okay to hit or push another student

* Students are rewarded with our Panther Bucks for following all of these rules and following our Guidelines for Success of being Respectful, Responsible, and Safe. Panther Bucks can be used at our School Store or turned in for team points. In some classrooms they can even be used for classroom treasure box.

Restorative Practice Highlights

A restorative approach to conflict or wrongdoing consists in asking 4 key questions:

1. What has happened?
2. Who has been affected?
3. How can we involve everyone who has been affected in finding a way forward?
4. How can everyone do things differently in the future?



* This process is not about punishment but making a student accountable to our school community for being a good citizen.



Thank you to our wonderful speakers who took the time to create videos or be with our students live on camera! You Rock! Thank you to Mrs. Krampert for making it all

Lisa Taddeo with St. Josephs Childrens Hospital-mission nutrition
 Michael Conaway- author
 Davon Miller-author
 Jennifer Veazey- hot chocolate bomb
 Caroline Kotras- Goko Kayaks
 Madi Baugh- Indian Creek Zoo (Michigan)
 Sergeant Bergman with PCSO
 Hillary Maedel with Furry Friends Vet Center

Julie Dearing with St. Josephs Hospital labor and delivery
 Tierra Archer with Archer Realty
 Mary Harrington- Cosmetology
 The Dali Museum
 SPPD- some short videos
 Ms. Bryans father spoke about being a banker
 Joe Whalen with The Tampa Bay Estuary Program
 The Florida Aquarium put lots of content up for all schools



Why do we care so much about attendance?

Attendance- just how important is it in elementary school? Don't the students have time to make it up? They are so young and have so many years of school left. That's what I was wondering the other day so I did a little research. I was amazed with what I found. They can get really behind. Here's what I discovered. If students have excellent attendance in kindergarten and 1st grade, their Language Arts scores in 3rd grade are 50 points higher than children who miss 18 days or more per year. While many of us may think missing kindergarten or 1st grade may not count much, it seems to be very important for testing success two and three years later. Again to my surprise, Math scores in 3rd grade for kids who were present at school are even higher yet. The scores were 76 points better than the students who miss more than 18 days of school per year in kindergarten and 1st grade. When I think about it, it makes sense. Each year is a building block for the next year and it can be hard to catch up with spotty attendance, including tardy days.

Although the specifics may change from one research study to another, the trend is the same. Attendance is really important even for the very early years of school and can affect later performance. We have to watch closely because sometimes we don't realize just how much instructional time children are missing with absent and tardy days combined. So, how can we as parents help our children be successful in school? Excellent attendance.

**Did
You
Know ?**