

BAY POINT ELEMENTARY

MAGNET SCHOOL

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Greetings BPE Families and Friends,

February represents the middle of our 3rd marking period and time for students to show what they know. With that, they should be sure that they are using every learning opportunity to grow. This includes making time at home to practice in iReady Reading and Math (45 minutes per week for each area).

Attendance still remains a priority here at BPE. We know that at this crucial time of year, every minute counts. Students who are continually tardy or missing multiple days of school, even remotely, are shown to have lower rates of success in their academic studies and fall further behind. If your child does need to be absent due to illness, please be sure to send in a note to your child's teacher or send us an absence note through the attendance portal found on our school web site at https://www.pcsb.org/baypoint-es.

Our Spring statewide assessment window is coming soon. Please be sure to take the time to periodically check on your child's progress through the parental portal or their bi-weekly progress reports. By knowing the status of your child, you can help guide them in their practice at home. We would like to encourage all of our families in Grades 3-5 to check out the state's FSA Assessment resource site at

www.fsassessments.org. This site has a variety of tools, including practice tests and quick guides, to help you better understand the testing process. By continuing to work together, we can achieve great heights!

Many thanks for your support! Mrs. Sara Broom, Principal

Calendar: February

Black History Month

5th —Free Dress Friday
PTA T-shirt sales
15th-26th- Magnet Acceptance Period
15th —No School-Teacher work day



School Hours

8:45 AM—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

Tolerance

Respecting the individual differences, view, and beliefs of other people.

MISSION STATEMENT

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

Magnet News

...Miss Negretti

Acceptance Period: February 15th-26th

- Be sure to go in and check your invitations.
- You must select one or remain on the wait list for your others. If you do not accept a seat that is offered during the acceptance window, your application with that program is erased.

SAC news Meetings held in Conference Room, 5:00-6:00pm

We are beginning the process of SAC preparation for next year already. If you are interested in joining our family team please contact Mrs. Lewis.



Contact Mrs. Lewis at 727-552-1449 or lewisda@pcsb.org

Don't Forget

NO SCHOOL February 15th





Help Stop Bullying

It's never okay!
If you have a bully concern, please submit a report.

https://www.saysomething.net/

News and Notes- Gentle Reminders!

- Please ensure that all phone numbers are up-to-date at school and in Focus.
- Students being picked-up early should be minimized to maximize learning. For those that are necessary, please do so before 2:00PM to avoid afternoon dismissal concerns.
- We need all learners in class by 8:45AM each day. Please help us reduce student tardies at school.
- Please maintain regular communication with your child's teacher and attend scheduled conferences to stay abreast of your child's progress.
- When visiting the campus, please be sure you are wearing a mask and you are bringing your ID.
- Remember the front lot of the school is for buses only from 8:00-9:00am & 2:00-3:30pm. If you are parked in the bus circle during that time, for the safety of our students, you will have to wait until they depart before pulling out so you may want to park in the parent parking lot instead.

Our Guidelines for Success Things to keep in mind

Be Responsible Be Respectful Be Safe

Help us help your student

- Masks need to be worn at all times. That is a safety priority here at BPE.
- They 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; follow directions the first time they are given.
- 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.



School News



Noticias Olé!

¡Muchas fiestas en Febrero! Many celebrations in February! Carnaval, Friendship, and Love....

Another exciting month ahead in our Spanish classes: Kindergarten will be working on Shapes and #'s 0-20. First and Second graders will use adjectives learn to describe animals as well as continue working on their numbers 0–100. Our tell time and to count by 5's, while Third and Fourth graders will learn about Mexico. And last will study important places in our Community: the library, church, park, police station, etc. Last but not least, our Fifth graders Grade will learn about the countries in South America.

We would like to share with our Bay Point Families these pieces of a great article from **The Telegraph** by *Anne Merritt* about the benefits of learning a Second Language:

Physiological studies have found that speaking two or more **languages** is a great asset to the cognitive process. The brains of bilingual people operate differently than single language speakers, and these differences offer several mental benefits...

You build multitasking skills

Multilingual people, especially children, are skilled at switching between two systems of speech, writing, and structure.

You stave off Alzheimer's and dementia

For monolingual adults, the mean age for the first signs of dementia is 71.4. For adults who speak two or more languages, the mean age for those first signs is 75.5

Your memory improves

Learning a language involves memorizing rules and vocabulary, which helps strengthen that mental "muscle."

You become more perceptive

A study from Spain's University of Pompeu Fabra revealed that multilingual are more adept at focusing on relevant information and editing out the irrelevant.

Your decision-making skills improve

According to a study from the University of Chicago, Bilinguals are more confident with their choices after thinking it over in the second language and seeing whether their initial conclusions still stand up.

You improve your English

Learning a foreign language draws your focus to the mechanics of language: grammar, conjugations, and sentence structure. This makes you more aware of language, and the ways it can be structured and manipulated.

Thank you for your continued support and wishing you all a month of happiness, love and friendship.

The Spanish Team.

Sra. Jakubik, Sra. Morejon and Sra. Pernía