

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We have successfully navigated our way to this upcoming holiday break. This is the season for being thankful as we share gifts of love to each other. There is much to be thankful for in our families. I know we have become weary with all the protocols that are in place to protect us. As we enter this festive season, please know that this virus is not weary. Please take all precautions, this way we all can have a smooth transition back to School in January. The winter concert we all witnessed on Wednesday was just short of a miracle. You will recall where we were this time last year, learning virtual. To have the students perform in school, even with masks on, still generated, smiles and yes tears. The voices of children have a way of soothing the spirit. We all thank Mr. Dey for his unwavering commitment to our children. I have attached a link of the concert for your viewing again.

If you are not aware, we now have two banquet style tents on the blacktop behind the school. These tents will be used for outdoor lunch and snack time. There will be more details to follow.

I would like to thank the parents/students who created our fall scarecrows and bales of hay. They created a warm feeling each time we entered the school build. We miss our scarecrow friends. Thank you again.

We have two new staff members who have joined our Northeast family. They are Mr. Randy Rauco, our Physical Education Teacher, and Ms. Mary-Anne Asaro, our Curriculum Support teacher. They are both full time.

I am Calling all parents who would like to become a certified substitute teacher for our building only. ☺ Please contact Ms. Justina Schumacher at Central office tschumacher@montclair.k12.nj.us to inquire about the qualifications and procedures needed to become a district substitute teacher.

Our pool testing ended last Monday. I will let you know when/if it will resume.

[Take a look at this beautiful bulletin board](#) that can be found outside Ms. Schneiderman's 4th grade class.

You have recently received an email from our School Superintendent regarding upcoming travel plans. Please inform your child's classroom teacher as needed.

Please have a safe and enjoyable holiday season. Take your favorite holiday song from our winter concert with you this weekend and into this winter break

Northeast Winter Concert: <https://live.myvrspot.com/iframe?v=ZDc3NDgyNWQ4MTI5MTNjOTY0ODNiYTbkZjlxOThiNDk>

Mike Chiles

School spirit week next week (12/20-12/23)...[here is the daily schedule.](#)

Montclair Art Museum

Here's a Winter Break activity for you to explore. Get over to the Montclair Art Museum before the Color Riot exhibit closes on Jan 2.

I had the chance to experience this exhibit at MAM and meet two of the artists featured. Second graders are currently studying the Art of Dine/Navajo Weaving in Art class with a focus on Venancio Aragon, one of the MAM artists, who uses what he calls the Expanded Rainbow Aesthetic. His weaving, Prism of Emotions, moved me to tears when I saw it in person. So, if you are looking for something fun and family oriented to do over the break, I highly recommend, Color Riot! at the Montclair Art Museum. It is sure to inspire!

<https://www.montclairartmuseum.org/exhibition/color-riot-how-color-changed-navajo-textiles>
www.montclairartmuseum.org Karma Cloud

FROM THE PTA

- **Winter ASE is on!** We need chaperones for Tues, Wed, Fri 2:30-3PM. Next week we will share the ASE options through FB, email and class parents. Enrollment begins Monday 12/27 at 9AM, and classes begin Tuesday 1/11/22.
- **Get your NE spiritwear!** Pickup is this Sunday 12/19 9-10:30AM at Northeast.
- **Participate in the MLK Experience!** Everyone is welcomed to our virtual event. Please sign up to participate, or just come for the fun. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508054FABAC2BAAFC1-nemlkexperience>