

Happy Friday Parents and Guardians,

I hope you have had a great week making someone else's life better--excluding your immediate family which is a given.

We are happy to report that you have not received a Covid letter from our school this week. Keep working smart.

We had fun celebrating our 100 days in school yesterday. Our children were very creative with how they displayed their 100 days. Of course, we had to have a brief party in the classroom as we all danced to the classic by Kool and the Gang, "Celebration"
[Cookie, our therapy dog](#), will join us on Thursday the 24th. She, with her trained handler, will visit us twice a month, until the end of May. If your child(ren) are allergic to dogs, please alert your child's teacher, this way we will avoid the space. We are excited to welcome cookie to our school.

FROM OUR PTA:

[The PTA has created a fundraiser](#) that incorporates your children's art. [Square 1 Art has given Ms. Cloud art sheets](#) that the kids have started working on. When completed they will be sent to Square 1 Art. You will then receive an order form of your child's work. There will be an array of items with your child's art work on it that you can order such as water bottles, pillows, blankets, framed art pieces, ornaments, beach blankets, wine stoppers (how cute), note books, tote bags. and so on. Consider ordering gifts for your loved ones. They really have a wonderful collection of ways to forever keep your kids' artistry alive. So...keep a lookout. This fundraiser will help with future events at the school so everyone is included. We are really excited to make this fundraiser fun for all. The incentive to the students is that there will be an Art Dance Party. Now we don't know if it will be chosen by each grade class that sells the most or the best overall selling class. To be announced soon.

FROM DANIELLE KUPPERMAN:

The Bucket Filling theme for the month of February is all about Kindness. This past Thursday was Random Acts of Kindness Day. So to help spread the idea, a group of fifth grade students created posters filled with post-it notes with words of encouragement, joy, and positivity. They displayed the posters all around the school for students and staff to take as reminders of how amazing we all are! [Take a look at this example](#). ..such a simple but impactful way to share kindness.

SATp NEWS:

The SATp welcomes [Dr. Laura Quiros](#), Associate Professor of Social Work and a transformational thought leader on Diversity and Inclusion, to the Northeast Community for a conversation in celebration of Black History Month. We'll identify what diversity and inclusion means in the context of our community, explore aspects that may have resonated with those of us who read the 1619 Project and invite discussion on how it all intersects with educating our children. Everyone is welcome (reading the book is not a requirement

for participation). **Date: Feb 28th 6pm via Zoom.** To RSVP, please email:
Mauradetermann@gmail.com

UPCOMING DATES:

Monday, February 21 - District Closed-President's Day

Thursday, February 24 - Early Dismissal at 1:10 pm

Thursday, March 17 - Early Dismissal at 1:10 pm

Wednesday, March 30 - Early Dismissal at 1:10 pm-evening parent conferences

Thursday, March 31 - Early Dismissal at 1:10 pm-afternoon parent conferences