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Principal's Weekly Update

February 23, 2024

Dear Families and Caregivers,

I always look forward to our monthly whole school morning meetings. It's the one time we are all in the same space and the energy is amazing. Today, we had two special treats to tie in to Black History Month. First was the signing of an excerpt from Dr. King's "I Have A Dream" speech by students in Ms. Buttimore's class, led by Teacher of the Deaf Ms. Lora Orta. Then we had an interactive program by Beyond the Boogie Dance Company. They talked about the history of tap and hip hop, with their roots in Black History. The students and staff all participated in some dancing. What a great way to start the day and round out our month!

Carpool Etiquette: Please be reminded that the carpool line operates with safety of students foremost. With that in mind, please be sure that you:

- 1) **Pull all the way up to the gate to start the line**
- 2) **Be sure your children have their belongings and are ready to exit the vehicle**
- 3) **Do not get out of your vehicle. Staff members will open the car door curbside**
- 4) **Do not drive around cars that are already in the lane**
- 5) **Only turn left out of the driveway**

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

CHB's Got Talent: Get ready for nights of singing, dancing, comedy, music, and more! You name it, CHB's got it. Show times are as follows:

K- 2nd Grade: Tuesday, February 27th, 6:00- 8:00 PM

3rd- 5th Grade: Wednesday, February 28th, 6:00- 8:00 PM

Related Arts Newsletter: Hot off the presses. Please check out the attached related arts newsletter to read about exciting events and insightful stories from our related arts teachers.

From CHB PTA:

Save the Date - Eco Action Day 3/2, 9am-12pm: Spring is coming (really!), and we want to get our Outdoor Classroom ready for action. **Join us for a family Eco Action Day on Saturday 3/2 from 9am-12pm (rain date 3/3)!** Below is a sign-up for the event. There are one-hour slots you can sign up for, and feel free to sign up for each time slot! Thank you, in advance, for your participation.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084FA5A828A0FD0-47891216-ecoaction>

CHB PTA's Spring Fling - Tickets are On Sale: Throw on your favorite disco gear and join us for a 'Party with a Purpose'!

When: March 23, 2024 6pm-11pm

Where: Upstairs at Porta in Montclair

Why: to put the FUN in FUNdraising

You can learn more and buy your tickets, here:

<https://app.memberhub.gives/chb24/Campaign/Details>

From PTA Council:

We are excited about the Budget 101 Session scheduled for February 27th at 7pm at the George Inness Annex and would greatly appreciate your assistance in sharing to your school communities. Superintendent Ponds and Business Administrator Christina Hunt, will be joined by a representative from our PILOTS to Schools Committee and others to provide an overview of the budget process and timeline, discuss the 2024 budget, and answer questions submitted in advance. Please invite your communities to submit **questions by Monday February 26th at noon** using this link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScuOGSKrPyw9JgfpwDBmAEdUElJy0IoSzwkkmHeaEHiRWXGDQ/viewform?usp=sf_link

Looking ahead:

Tuesday, Feb. 27 - Talent Show (K-2) - 6-8 pm

Wednesday, Feb. 28 - Talent Show (3-5) - 6-8 pm

Saturday, March 2 - CHB PTA Eco Action Day - 9 am-12 pm (March 3, Rain Date - 9 am-12 pm)

Have a wonderful weekend.

Warmest regards,



Nami Kuwabara
Principal