Spring Garden Buzz

September 2024

We can't wait to see our kids bloom this year

Hello, Spring Garden families!

In case we haven't met yet: my name is Dr. Elizabeth Babbin, and I have the privilege of working with your kids as the principal of Spring Garden. I am here to support you, your children, and all of the incredible staff members who make SG such a special place. Please don't hesitate to reach out to me if I can help you with anything at all. Email is the best way to reach me—

ebabbin@basdschools.org — but phone is great too if it's more urgent. Our number is 610.868.6071.



Here's my first parent newsletter of the year. I'll be sending these monthly. Look to the Buzz for information about important events at school, and key topics that I think will be helpful to you and your families.

The start of the school year is all about new beginnings. It feels like anything is possible — and it is. This can be your child's best year yet! Now is the time to establish good routines at home. Let us know how we can support you and your child.

Attendance procedures: What to do when your child must be absent

As we discussed at open house, we are really focusing on attendance this year. We can't help your kids learn and grow if we don't have them with us in school! But of course, we know that there are times your child needs to be away.

If your child is sick or must miss school unexpectedly, here's what you should do.

- There is no need to call the office
- Email <u>springgardenattendance@basdschools.org</u>, send your teacher a dojo message, or send in a written note within 3 days of an absence
- If you have a doctor's note, send it in within three days (either with your child or by email to the above address) whenever possible, get a note!



If you know in advance that your child will be out, let their teacher know via dojo.

 Educational trips: request a form via the attendance email at least 10 days before (this is a hard deadline this year; late requests will not be approved, and if your child is out for the trip, the absences will be unexcused)

We want to help your child be in school so that we can give them all the great instruction and social interaction they need to thrive. Please reach out to Mrs. Monteiro, our attendance secretary, at springgardenattendance@basdschools.org with any questions.



Join us at our first meeting!

Join us in person at school or on zoom on September 6 at 7pm! You are already a member of our PTO; all you need to do is come to the meeting.



Food trucks & dancing

Join us on September 20 between 4:30 & 7:30 pm for our PTO-sponsored music & fun on the playground. You don't even have to worry about dinner we will have food trucks!



School will be closed...

- early dismissal (11:45) on September 26
- no school on October 3

Learn more about our PTO!

Here are links to the PTO packets we sent home (in <u>English</u> and <u>Spanish</u>) that will tell you all about what our Parent/Teacher



Organization is up to. We would love for you to get involved to support our kids and teachers!

Would you like to volunteer in your child's classroom this year?

Join us on September 10 at 7:00 pm in the All Purpose Room at SG for a room parent meeting to learn more about how to help your child's classroom this year. Can't make it or have questions? Contact springgardenpto@gmail.com.







Events around town

The district website posts

flyers about important events -medical clinics, fun gatherings,
giveaways, and all kinds of
things to engage and support
your family. Check it out!

Be safe around school

Please, please use the crosswalks on North
Boulevard when you are crossing the road. Cars go way too fast and we want you and your children to be safe.

SG @ the IronPigs

Join us on 9/22 for the 1:35 game. Your ticket includes a ballpark credit. Scan the QR code on the flyer below or call to purchase – we'll see you at the game!











Join us for Hispanic Heritage Night/Fiesta de la Herencia Hispana!

Join us for a BASD district-wide Hispanic Heritage Celebration on September 26, 2024, from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at Northeast Middle School. This event is a wonderful opportunity for us to come together and celebrate the rich cultural heritage that is such a vital part of our community. Free bus passes via Lanta, first come, first served! See the flyers below for more details. This night is always a tremendous hit with our families and we can't wait to see you there!



Lanta Bus Pass_English and Spanish.pdf



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