



Malletts Bay School Staff Newsletter

Week of November 26, 2018

Beyond the Venn Diagram

As a school we are focusing on CCSS Anchor Standards 7-9 in English Language Arts. Standard 9 at each grade level is about comparing and contrasting. Marzano identifies having students find similarities and differences as a high yield instructional strategy. Here is a link to a pdf with some graphic organizers beyond the Venn Diagram.

[Marzano's High Yield Strategies](#)

Meetings With Jordan

Faculty and staff returning from the 17-18 school year, please reach out to me at jordan.burke@colchesterd.org to set up a meeting if you haven't already. I am hoping to meet with as many returning staff as possible before December 21 to get your perspective on our work here at MBS.

Reteaching School Wide Expectations

Welcome Back! With the snow day on November 16th and our winter break it's been awhile since our students have been into the routines of the school year. Explicitly teaching and modeling expectations is an important part of our Universal Tier PBIS. This means reteaching expectations after a break. Over the next week, please remodel and review schoolwide expectations and routines, especially any routines that were difficult for students prior to the break. Here is a link to our PBIS posters from the website for reference:

<https://www.csdvt.org/mbs/pbis/posters.php>


Oscar says,

in the **HALLWAY** we are...

SAFE
Walk on the right side
Stop at intersections
Keep your feet on the floor

RESPECTFUL
Keep your body to yourself
Use a quiet voice
Acknowledge others with a smile or wave

RESPONSIBLE
Have adult permission
Be timely



Upcoming Professional Development

November 29

We will be learning about the Integrated Field Review, a process that all CSD schools will be participating in on January 24th. We will also come back to the norms that we brainstormed at the beginning of the year. Please report to the music room.

December 5 Early Release

[Info and Tentative Room Locations](#)

December 12 Faculty Meeting

All teachers will do iSTEAM work together. Please report to the Tech Kids classroom.

“One child, one teacher, one book, one pen can change the world.” - Malala Yousafzai



School Safety Reminders

We've had a chance to do a few fire drills and lockdown drills now this year. Here are a few things to remember during a drill or emergency situation.

If you are Outside: DO NOT COME BACK INSIDE until the drill has concluded. If it is a fire drill, please report to the area where we gather by the backstop. In the event of a lockdown, head to the edge of the woods. If you are taking students outside, please make sure that you or one of the other adults outside has a radio.

Locking Doors: Please make sure that any doors that connect to other doors are locked if the room is empty. Please also make sure not to prop outside doors open.

Visitor Stickers: This year we have large yellow and blue visitor stickers for visitors to wear in the building. If you see an unfamiliar adult without a sticker, please greet them to see why they are in the building. If you have concerns about the person or do not feel comfortable talking with them, please contact Jeanne or Pam in the office and they will radio an administrator immediately.

Emergency Binders/Orange Vests: Please make sure the information in your emergency binders is up to date and that you have an emergency vest. If you need an emergency vest, please contact Pam in the office.

The screenshot shows the MBS website header with the logo and navigation links. Below the header is a dark blue bar with 'TEACHER RESOURCES' in white. Underneath, there is a list of links: Faculty Handbook, GoalView, Google E-Mail, PATH to Wellness, PowerTeacher, SharePoint Online, and Training Blog. Below this list is a yellow bar with 'ONLINE TIMERS' in black, followed by a list of links: NBC Olympic Site, Olympic.org, and Olympics 2012. Another yellow bar contains 'STAFF NEWSLETTER' in black, with the date 'November 12, 2018' below it. A final yellow bar at the bottom is labeled 'WEB LINKS'.

Finding the Staff Newsletter

This newsletter will be created weekly and linked to the MBS website. To access archived newsletters go to the MBS Homepage, then Useful Links -> Teacher Resources. Under Teacher Resources you will see Staff Newsletters linked.



Reminders and Upcoming Events

Contacting the Office for Student Support: If you need support for a student from the office **please contact Jeanne at x5902 or Pam at x5907. If Pam and Jeanne are not reachable, try Josie at x5904.** Having Jeanne or Pam radio us is the best way to get in contact. if you need support from an Admin or Jayme.

Getting a Message to Brooke or Jordan: If you need to get a message to Brooke or Jordan during the school day and we are not in our offices, please leave a message with Pam or Jeanne if it needs to be resolved within the next 24 hours. Otherwise, please send an email or place a note in one of our boxes. We'll respond to emails and notes before 8:00 am the next school day. We regularly check email and our boxes first thing in the morning and at the close of the school day.

Tentative Early Release Schedule: The schedule is flipped from the previous early release day so that students with afternoon UA classes now have them in the morning. Please pay close attention to this schedule - some of the lunch and recess times are different as well. [December 5 Early Release Schedule](#)

Report Cards: Report cards should go home with any students whose families did not attend conferences on Monday, November 26th.

December Assemblies and Special Events: Our regular All School Meeting will be Thursday, December 13th. As of right now our December celebration will be a movie afternoon on Thursday, December 20th. On Friday, December 21st from 2:00 until 2:45 Ilze Luneau will do a basketball/character building assembly in the gym. More details to follow.