



Malletts Bay School Staff Newsletter

Week of December 10, 2018

Early Release Success!

Playground Behaviors

We seeing an increase in playground behaviors this past week. This is consistent with data from past years. The conflicts that are coming up are often about gaga ball. Please:

- **review gaga rules with students**
- **remind students to walk away from problems or use “rock-paper-scissors” to solve disagreements.**
- **acknowledge students with tokens for safe respectful and responsible playground behavior**
- **make sure at least one person providing active supervision by the gaga ball courts if you are out on recess.**

Colchester School District began early release days in 2016 to give teachers and instructional support staff time to engage in professional learning together as one district, one of our overarching goals as a district. During the December 5th early release day, SLPs, UA teachers, and social workers were able to meet with their colleagues throughout the district. MBS special educators led instructional support staff through a workshop on the MBS schoolwide norms. Our pre-K team worked on coordinating outreach work and developing common expectations for students.



MBS Robotics Team placed first at Norwich University Robotics Competition this weekend.

All classroom teachers in grades K - 5 worked together on rolling out new units aligned to the Next Generation Science Standards. Thank you to everyone who helped to plan and make the December 5th Early Release Day a success.

Upcoming Professional Development

December 13th Faculty Meeting	December 20th Faculty Meeting	January 3rd Faculty Meeting
Meet in the Tech Kids Classroom at 3:15 for iSTEAM	OFF	PBIS

Please feel free to invite Jordan, Brooke, Lily, or Ryan into your classroom to talk more about recess conflicts and gaga ball with students.

“My role, as a teacher, is to evaluate the impact I have on my students.” - John Hattie



SBAC Data from Trimester 1

SBAC Points	CSD SBAC Scale	Narrative
6	WT	WT
2	B	M
0	B	M
15	E	M
6	WT	WT
9	E	M
4	B	WT
15	E	M
5	WT	WT
15	E	M
4	B	WT
9	M	M

Now that the assessment window has closed, we have more data that we can use to plan instruction for 2nd trimester.

Last year Sara Blake began teasing out SBAC Interim Literacy scores that were “meets” from scores that were “nearly meets.” The data is posted on Share Point. It has proven to be highly predictive of SBAC summative data in literacy school wide. You can access it on Share Point Literacy Data. Please reach out to Brooke, Jordan or Sara if you have questions.



Reminders

Winter Weather Schedules: Vermont weather is especially unpredictable in the winter. In the event CSD has delayed opening, here is a link to a tentative delayed opening schedule: [Delayed Opening Schedule](#). If CSD has an early closing (and we know about it prior to the start of the school day) we will alternate use of the early release schedules.

Token up for the December and January PBIS Celebrations!: Our December PBIS celebration is a schoolwide movie day scheduled for the afternoon of Thursday, December 20th. Stay tuned for details. Our January celebration will be Bowling at Spare Time. Classroom teachers, place your students in groups of 5 and email the list to Stephanie Miller as soon as possible. Here is the [bowling logistics doc](#).

Both of these celebrations will be a surprise for students. Once Oscar is full in both December and January we will get opt out slips for the movie day and permission slips for bowling out to families. Please make sure you are acknowledging students with tokens for their positive behavior in all locations throughout the school and playground.

No Team Time Week of December 17: We will not have team time the week of December 17. We will still have enrichment that week.

Meetings with Jordan: Faculty and staff returning from the 17-18 school year, please reach out to me at jordan.burke@colchestersd.org to set up a meeting if you haven't already. I am hoping to meet with as many returning staff as possible before 12/21 to get your perspective on our work here at MBS.



Reminders and Upcoming Events

Reporting Injuries: Accidents sometimes happen. Please report any injuries, even small ones to Josie if it occurs while you are at work. Josie can help you determine if an accident report needs to be completed.

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 administrator 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.

Yearbook Pictures: Our PTO is hard at work putting together the 2018 - 2019 Malletts Bay School Yearbook. Please share any pictures from this year in the yearbook folder: [MBS Yearbook Pictures](#)

Completing Work Orders: When completing work orders, please make sure that you are only checking "safety issue" if it is truly a safety-related issue. Checking "safety issue" will not necessarily ensure that the work order is completed faster.

Upcoming Events

December 13: All School Meeting

January 10: All School Meeting

December 20: PBIS Movie Day Celebration
(Afternoon)

January 17 & 18: PBIS Bowling Celebration

December 21: Ilze Luneau Assembly 2:00

January 24: Integrated Field Review

December 22 - January 1: School Recess

February 18: Fourth Grade NAEP