



Weekly Newsletter
February 28, 2020

Dear Parents,

There are no words to thank you all for your generosity and words of encouragement on the Live Like Bella event last weekend. In case you missed it, your kindness helped to raise \$2310 in the fight against childhood cancer. I was excited to do my best run time....Not fast, but 3 miles in less than 43 minutes was an accomplishment for me! A year ago, I couldn't run to the end of the block so making in 3.1 miles was a milestone reached.

We are excited to be getting ready for our Career Day on March 11th from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. So far we have a hairdresser, a chef, a musician, a sports caster, police, and fire fighters. We are still looking for more parents to sign up. Please let me know if you will share your careers with our students so that I can get you on the Career Day schedule. This is one event our students really love and learn a lot from.

I have had a few parents speak to me about concerns about the Coronavirus. Please know that your child's health is very important to us. We do our best through proper handwashing and our teachers and our professional cleaning staff are aggressive about making sure sanitation and other precautions are followed. Since there is still information we do not know, and no confirmed cases in Florida, we will continue to send kids home who appear sick as a precaution. Remember, if your child goes home with a fever they must be fever free for 24 hours before they return. We understand it is a hardship when parents have to miss work,

but we must look out for every child in our school and we ask that if your child is sick, they are kept home.

I am also asking that parents help us with separation anxiety. We have several parents who are staying in the classroom to "play" and visit with their child at drop off in the morning. This includes parents who sit at the table when the kids are served breakfast. Please know that it makes it harder for your child the longer you stay in the room. It also makes it hard for other kids as they see you and they want their parents as well. Finally, if we allowed every parent in the room to stay for breakfast or to get on the floor and play even for 5 minutes, it would make rooms very crowded in the morning when teachers are trying to greet parents and supervise kids at the same time.

I am asking that parents please not linger in the mornings. If you need to speak to the teacher, by all means do so, but please limit your time in the classroom. We have an open door policy and if you wish to watch the room, we welcome that but ask that you do so from the front desk. We will gladly turn on your child's class on the full screen if you ask.

Finally, please remember that we do not allow toys brought into school of any kind. Not only can we not be responsible for lost or broken toys, it is upsetting for a child when we take the toys away or when another child touches their things. Please also refrain from sending your girls with headbands that are not elastic. The plastic headbands have become a huge distraction and some of the girls take them on and off and they become a play toy or get broken.

One last thing...We ask that parents refrain from having their child hold their cellphone with videos or music on. When they walk in the school, the other kids want to view what they are watching. Some kids even start to cry when the device is turned off. Our staff love to greet parents in the morning and speak to them at pick up. Please make every effort to be off your phone once you come into our school. Your assistance with this is greatly appreciated.

Coming Attractions:

- 3/11 Career Day

- 3/18 Cap and Gown Photos for VPK.
- 3/19 Class Group Photo shoot for all classes. Please make sure your child wears their blue school shirt.

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