

DECEMBER 2021

PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

Benchley-Weinberger Elementary

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- Early Dismissal
Dec 17th @ 11:45am
- Winter Break: Dec 18- Jan 2

PASSIONATE PANDA TOY DRIVE

Our 4th Annual Toy Drive supplies new toys to families so the Cops at the Western Division can distribute during the holidays. Panda event will be Dec 3 in BW Parking Lot from 3 - 6 pm

PTA SPONSORED AFRICAN AMERICAN FOLKLORE EVENT

On December 10th, your students will be enriched with a virtual African American story during school - sponsored by our BW PTA.

EARLY DISMISSAL DECEMBER 17

Get a head start on the winter traffic, we will have early dismissal Friday, December 17 @ 11:45am.

WINTER BREAK DEC 18 - JAN 2

Enjoy your time off with your family and friends.
We will see you on January 3rd!

UPCOMING KENTUCKY DERBY AUCTION MEETINGS

Our Gala/Auction night is back this April 23rd and the theme is the Kentucky Derby. Please contact getbwspiritwear@gmail.com if you would like to assist in planning or donate. Meetings are Dec 9, Jan 20, Feb 17 and Mar 16 @ 6:30pm
[Gala Info and FAQ \(click here\)](#)
[Gala website\(click here\)](#)



COZY HOLIDAY SING-A-LONG

Students will participate in a fun, cheerful sing-a-long on Friday, Dec. 17th. Students should dress either in pajamas or their coziest clothes. Normally, parents do not attend this event but this year we'd like to invite families to view the event on Zoom.

Rooms 10, B5 1, 2- 8:00-8:30am

Rooms 11, B6, 4, 5- 8:40-9:10am

2nd grade classes- 9:15-9:45am

4th grade classes- 9:50-10:20am

5th grade classes- 10:25-10:55am

TK, Kindergarten classes- 11:10-11:40am

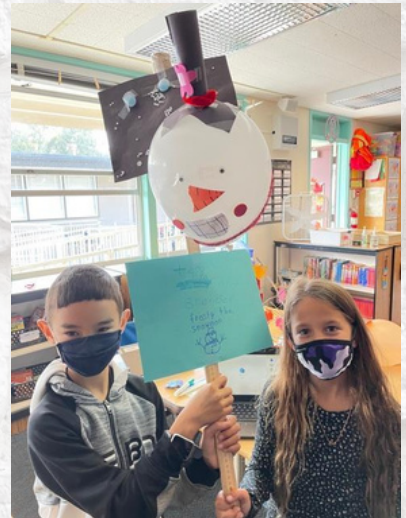
Covid Precautions:

- Masks will be worn while singing and all doors will stay open
- Classes (4 per session) will be spaced far apart across the entire auditorium & cafeteria
- Several Hepa filters will be placed around the area

Please let your child's teacher know if you are uncomfortable with the Covid precautions and would like your student to opt-out of this assembly. An alternative activity will be provided.

LEARNING @ BW

Third grade students learned the history of the Macy's Thanksgiving Balloon Parade and created their own parade for an audience of first graders.



Hands-on learning happening as the kinder "garden" is planted.



The Tk-K ABC Bootcamp Parade was the cutest thing ever!



Mrs. Armstrong's class got a shout out in the [KidNuz podcast \(click here to listen\)](#)!