P'ville Newsletter



Dear Pawtucketville Parents and Guardians,

The school year ends on June 14th--with a 1:30 dismissal. Pawtucketville students have once again engaged in a full year of deep learning and academic exploration. I recommend you continue the learning over the summer by encouraging reading, visiting the library and local museums and exploring the great city of Lowell. Remember, the Pollard Memorial Library in Lowell offers passes to local attractions including the Boston Museum of Science and the Aquarium. Reserve them now!

As I do every summer, I will reflect on this school year and work to make next year even better. I am always open to suggestions to improve our school. I will be available throughout the summer via email or you can come to the school the week after the last day or two weeks before opening.

I wish you all a fun filled family summer. We value carefree summers and encourage students to make reading a part of that. Keep them engaged in great books and record their reading in their Scholastic Summer Reading Log.

Have a great summer,

Sincerely,

Dr. Mathew McLean Principal



Important Dates

3rd ~ Volunteer Dinner

3rd-7th ~ Book Fair

4th & 5th ~ Kindergarten Graduations

7th ~ Field Day

10th ~ Field Day Rain Date

11th ~ Pre-K Celebration

13th ~ 4th Grade Farewell

14th ~ 4th Grade Clap Out

14th ~ Early Release 1:30

14th ~ Last Day of School



Kindergarten

Kindergarten has been enjoying their unit on Animals 2 by 2. We have had the chance to observe and interact with goldfish, snails, guppies, worms, sow bugs, and pill bugs. We also learned a lot about oviparous animals. Ask your child about the word "oviparous"!:)

In math, we just ended our unit on addition and subtraction. Over the next few weeks we will work on numbers 11-20 and place value. The children are now ready to transition to first grade.

We have lots of fun things coming up over the next few weeks.

June 4th - Mrs. Landsteiner's graduation at 10:00 and Ms. Rachal's graduation at 2:00

June 5th – Mrs. Schofield's graduation at 10:00 and Mr. Cotman-El's graduation at 2:00

June 7th – Field Day with a rain date of June 10th

June 14th - Last day of school

We look forward to enjoying these festivities with your children!

~Kindergarten Team

First Grade

Wow! What an incredible year! We would like to thank you all for such a wonderful year!

Please remember to have your children READ, READ this summer! Practicing math facts, both addition and subtraction, would also be great!

Please be on the lookout for the supply list from your child's upcoming teacher!

We hope you all have a wonderful summer!

~First Grade Team

Second Grade

We are coming to the end a wonderful 2018-2019 school year! We have built many sweet memories with your children, and we thank you for all of your support.

Our Final Math Bee was held on May 24. This was the quickest Math Bee we've had so far! Most competitors demonstrated that they have been practicing their Math Facts. The interval of time between responses was seconds for most rounds. We were impressed by the effort and good sportsmanship that was shown by our PMES students. Nicholas Aspilcueta of Room 1073 did it again! He was our First Place Winner. Lorraine Mubiro of Room 1073 earned Second Place. Thanhvy Ngo of Room 1971 came in Third. Our final champion was Sofia Nganga of Room 1073. Congratulations to our winners and to all the students who worked hard to learn their Math Facts this year!

ART ROOM

"The ocean stirs the heart, inspires the imagination, and brings eternal joy to the soul."
-Robert Wyland is an American artist known for his gigantic murals of whales and other sea creatures.

I had a wonderful 2018/2019 school year. Hopefully, families were able to see some of their child's artwork. Next year, we will be keeping portfolios and I will display grade level art shows during school wide events. The summer is an important time for me to connect with nature, create art, and get new ideas for the 2019/2020 school year! I hope everyone has an opportunity to spend some time by the ocean.

When purchasing supplies for next year, I would greatly appreciate if you could grab a pack of baby wipes for your child to use in the art room. We use them to wipe our hands after creating because we do not have time for all of us to wash our hands in the sink. Thank you so much for your support.

~Ms. Amlashi



In Eureka Math, we are wrapping up Module 8-Time, Shapes, and Fractions as Equal Parts of Shapes. We are studying the attributes of polygons such as sides, corners (vertices), and angles. We are building Math vocabulary with concepts such as quadrilateral, parallel, and right angle. We are covering fractions and time.

In Literacy, "Writing" has been focusing on Realistic Fiction. The big idea is that our study of Fairy/Folk Tales will help the students build up an understanding of the structure of a story. This will help them create and write their own realistic fiction stories.

We had a blast with Fairy Tales this year! Fairy Tale Day was a big hit! The students enjoyed visiting each of the Grade 2 classes to do an activity. The teachers enjoyed meeting all of the Grade 2 students, too! We were thrilled to see how many students dressed in fancy dress and got into their "royal" roles. The castles that the children designed and built at home were exquisite! The attention to detail and creativity was impressive. We displayed them outside the office. We received many compliments!

In Science, our Painted Lady Butterflies have completed their metamorphosis from caterpillar to adult. They will be released into the courtyard. The silkworms are spinning cocoons. We are hoping to see the adult moths emerge before we have to return them to the Science Department downtown.

~Second Grade Team

Third Grade

We have finished the MCAS Math assessment. All of the children worked so hard and did their best. We are so proud of them!

The final multiplication bee took place in May. Congratulations to all of the students for making such good progress. A very special congratulations to:

1st: Journey Johnson 3rd: Michael Onyenwe 2nd: Hussein Al Khulaifawi 4th: Kathleen Duong

Field day is on June 7th. Please have your child wear sneakers and sunscreen! The third graders have been asked to wear a red shirt if possible.

We have enjoyed working with all of the wonderful students and their families this year. We will miss you all. Keep reading and practicing multiplication facts! Have a safe and sunny summer!

~Third Grade Team



CONTENT LITERACY

We will wrap this school year up with one final month of learning! In May, we explored many different topics. Kindergarteners learned about the characteristics and traits of living and nonliving things. We played bingo, write the room, and other fun activities to learn this topic. First grade learned about economics: saving and spending money. The objective question for this unit was: Why do people make choices and decisions with how they spend their money. Second graders have spent a lot of time on habitats and biomes. This was a great precursor for their field trip to the zoo. Third graders learned about an array of subjects: extinction, endangered animals, fossils, shells, and so much more! They did research on endangered animals and what we can do to help them. It was great to see them explore and really delve into the topics at-hand. Fourth graders learned about light as an energy source and longitude/ latitude lines. They played a computer game where they had to use what they learned about light to complete a mission. It is impressive how many learning connections students have built from old topics to new ones.

"All knowledge is connected to all other knowledge. The fun is in making the connections." -Arthur Aufderheide

If you have any questions, contact me via email at: fchahine@lowell.k12.ma.us

~Ms. Chahine

Fourth Grade

Greetings! June is finally here! This year just flew by! We are still engaged and learning but we do have many fun activities planned. On June 4th, students will walk over to the Wang School for a tour led by eighth graders. This is an exciting time for your fourth grader! Other important dates to remember are: June 7th - Field Day, the 11th is the Canobie Lake Trip, (rain date is on the 12th), Fourth Grade Farewell/ Graduation is the 13th, . If you are dismissing your child from the classroom on the 13th, we will have sign out sheets available. Finally, the last day of school (Fourth grade clap out) is the 14th. Please know that it has been a pleasure having your child in class!

Parents, we cannot stress the importance of picking your child up **ON TIME** on the 11th. The pick up time is FIVE O'CLOCK! If you cannot be at the Pawtucketville School by 5:00, please make arrangements for your child to be picked up by another adult or family member. It is a long day for both students and staff so everyone is eager to get home to their families immediately following this exciting field trip! Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

~Fourth Grade Team

