

Pine Brook School

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To Our Pine Brook Community,

As we continue in our last trimester of the school year, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on the wonderful progress our students have made and to highlight a few important reminders as we move forward.

Reviewing Your Child's Report Card

Trimester 2 report cards are available on the Parent Portal, and I strongly encourage each of you to take the time to thoroughly review your child's progress. This is an important opportunity to celebrate their successes, identify areas where they may need additional support, and set goals for the remainder of the school year. Please remember, your involvement in this process is key to ensuring that your child is supported academically and continues to grow. If you have any questions or concerns after reviewing the report card, don't hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher for further insights and support.

Warmer Weather and Adherence to the Dress Code

With warmer weather approaching, I'd like to remind everyone of the importance of adhering to our school dress code. We want our students to be comfortable, but we also need to ensure that their attire remains respectful and appropriate for the school environment. Please review our dress code guidelines with your child to ensure they are aware of what is expected as the weather gets warmer. Together, we can maintain a positive and focused atmosphere for all our students.

Commitment to Behavioral Expectations

At our school, we take pride in the strong sense of community we've built, and a large part of that is due to our collective commitment to positive behavior. We expect all students to continue upholding our high standards of behavior. As we head into the final months of the school year, let's continue to encourage our students to be respectful, responsible, and kind—both in and out of the classroom. Your continued support at home reinforces the importance of these expectations and helps foster an environment where every student can succeed.

Celebrating Our Choir and Jazz Band Performances

I am incredibly proud to share that our choir and jazz band recently put on three spectacular performances. The hard work and dedication of these students were on full display, and they truly impressed the entire school community. A big thank you to the students, the PB staff, and all the parents who supported them. These performances were a beautiful reminder of the incredible talent we have here at our school, and we can't wait to see what they accomplish next!

General Reminders

- <u>Take Your Child to Work 2025</u>: Please review the included letter and documentation for Take Your Child to Work 2025.
- <u>NJSLA</u>: Please review the included letter from Jodi Pepchinksi, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Human Resources. Our testing dates are: April 29 and 30 for ELA and May 6-8 for Mathematics.
- <u>Biztown Parent Volunteer Sign-ups</u>: Please see the included letter that outlines our Biztown trips coming up in May and June. We need your support to help it function smoothly and hope you will consider joining us.
- <u>Weather Assembly:</u> On April 23, weatherman John Marshall will be on site at Pine Brook School to continue to build on our students' understanding of the weather

- <u>School Spirit:</u> The Student Council wanted to bring a bit of Spring as we approach Spring Break. Please see the included calendar for details.
- <u>2024-2025 School Calendar</u> The calendar was updated on April 1. Please review for changes.
- <u>PTA Information</u>: Please review the PTA website for upcoming events.

As always, I appreciate your partnership in supporting your child's education. We look forward to finishing the year strong, and together, we can ensure a successful and rewarding conclusion to the school year for all our students.

Thank you for being an essential part of our school community!

Please be sure to check the website regularly and sign up for the Pine Brook Backpack to remain informed about our school. All of our events will show on the school calendar located on the website. Should you have any additional questions, please contact us at (732) 786-2800.

Sincerely, **Julie Szusłowicz**

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