



Beaver Brook Broadcaster

June 9, 2017

Message from the Principals- Getting Ready for Vacation

As we close out the school year and summer approaches, it's important that the community is up to date on the coming school year and important summer dates.

Beaver Brook Elementary will be adding Kindergarten, as well as housing grades 1 & 2. Principal Catherine Zinni and Asst. Principal Lori Gover will be leading Beaver Brook Elementary.

Woodsdale School will be housing grades 3 & 4, led by Principal Jonathan Hawes.

School will open again for students on August 29th, with Open House happening the night before school opens, August 28th.

Please also be sure you are checking each school's websites for updates to important news, school start times, calendars, summer reading programs, and important registration information (school lunch programs, transportations etc.)

-Mrs. Zinni & Mr. Hawes

Important Dates:

June 12: Brain Show-
Grades 1-4

June 13: Grade 4
Celebration, 11-2 PM

June 14: ESL Family
Talent Night, BBES
Cafeteria (7-8 PM)

June 16: Last Day of
School!

June 20: School
Committee, Town Hall
(7 PM)

Communication:

- Follow BBES on Twitter to see pics and updates from Beaver Brook! (<https://twitter.com/BeaverBrookAPS>).
- Have a question, concern, or something you'd like us to be aware of? Feel free to reach out via email & we'd be glad to help:
catherinezinni@abingtonps.org (Principal)
jonathanhawes@abingtonps.org (Asst. Principal)
- Sign up for our Constant Contact email list: <http://conta.cc/2bf0lbl>

Woodsdale Picnic:

Parents and students joining Woodsdale School in the fall (grades 3 & 4) are invited to join some of the Woodsdale staff and their families for a picnic (Thursday August 3rd). We'll be sending home a flyer and Constant Contact message next week- save the date!

Preventing the Summer Slide:

The modern-day student undoubtedly deserves to step away from school for the summer and connect with friends, family, and their community. With this break from school comes a natural slide away from academic demands and pacing, which can be difficult to turn back on right away in September.

Keeping the skills kids need sharp is easy to do at home. Keep them reading, quiz math with flash cards or apps, and more. Check out a few articles we've compiled on the topic:

- [Slowing the Summer Slide](#)
- [Summer Reading Pays Off](#)
- [Summer Math Fun](#)
- [Keep Math Skills Sharp](#)
- [Keeping Academics Sharp](#)
- [Use 'Em or Lose 'Em](#)



Playground Update:

Our playground bridge, which has sadly been out of order for about a month, will not be repaired by the close of school this year. The cost to replace was far more than expected and our solution will not be in place in time. We ask that parents who are supervising play relay our concerns and make children aware that the netting in place is not to be tampered with. We will have things up & running as soon as possible.

Safe Footwear:

While the weather is improving daily, we strongly recommend footwear other than flip-flops for school. We frequently see foot injuries related to someone wearing flip-flops. Given the movement through the halls, crowded lunch lines, PE classes, and active recesses, students need footwear that is safe and appropriate for many activities.

Student Behavior Reminders:

Our consistent approach to positively reinforce expected behavior and identify behavior that is unacceptable can be reinforced at home as well. Below are examples of signage displayed here at BBES, which can serve as talking points for you and your child about expectations at school. We appreciate your partnership in continuing academic and character education at home and in the community.

[Expected Behavior for Recess](#)

[Expected Behavior for Lunch](#)

Important Links:

APS Food Services:

http://www.abingtonps.org/central_office/food_services.php

Abington Public Schools News:

<http://www.abingtonps.org/newslist.php>

Forms for the District:

<http://bit.ly/2aN9UDH>

District Calendar:

<http://www.abingtonps.org/District2015-2016/Calendar%202017.pdf>

BBES Website:

http://www.abingtonps.org/schools/beaver_brook_elementary/index.php3

Broadcaster Archive:

http://www.abingtonps.org/schools/beaver_brook_elementary/bbes_broadcaster.php

