



**SCOTCH PLAINS-FANWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
SCHOOL ONE
PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER**

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE: This newsletter greets you at the heart of the winter season. Please remember to send your child(ren) with warm coats, hats, and gloves as we go out for snack and recess on the days that we feel suit. Kindergarten report cards will be available via the PowerSchool Parent Portal on **Tuesday, February 8**. If you encounter an issue accessing the portal, please contact the Main Office.

We will celebrate the 100th day of school on **Thursday, February 17th** (barring any school closings due to weather), which will involve a number of special activities for children in Kindergarten through Grade 2. We will also be hosting two school spirit days this month. The first is scheduled for **Friday, February 11th** and will celebrate **Superbowl Team Spirit**. Students have the choice of wearing their favorite sports team apparel. The other school spirit day is scheduled for **Monday, February 14th**. Students will be asked to wear red and white in celebration of **Valentine's Day**.

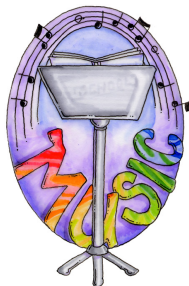
I would like to send a special thank you to our School One families and staff for the donations for the Kids Care "We Care Kits" Drive. Personal care items, along with hats and gloves were collected and delivered to the Scotch Plains Baptist Church. Also, I would like to inform you that the Kids Care **Super Bowl Food Drive** collection will begin **January 31 and continue through February 11**. Together we are making a difference. We greatly appreciate your generosity.

The staff and I are looking forward to a wonderful month of school.

IMPORTANT FEBRUARY DATES TO REMEMBER:

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| ➤ Jan. 31 st -Feb. 11 th | – Kids Care " Supper Bowl " Food Drive |
| ➤ February 1 st | – End of Mid-Year Semester for Kindergarten |
| ➤ February 8 th | – Kindergarten Report Cards available in PowerSchool |
| ➤ February 11 th | – School Spirit Day – Superbowl Team Spirit |
| | – PTA 2 nd Grade Movie Night @ 6:30 p.m. |
| ➤ February 14 th | – School Spirit Day – Celebrate Valentine's Day |
| ➤ February 16 th | – School One Winter Concert @ 7:00 p.m. |
| ➤ February 17 th | – 100 th Day of School (barring any school closings) |
| ➤ February 18 th & 21 st | – School Closed for President's Day |
| ➤ February 25 th | – PTA Sock Hop for Gr. 3 & 4 @ 7:00 p.m. |

WINTER MUSIC PROGRAM *NEW DATE*: On **Wednesday, February 16th**, under the direction of Ms. Lyndsey Larsen and Mr. Joseph Reo, our fourth-grade chorus and instrumental music students will present our Winter Music Concert.



The evening will be held at **Nettingham Middle School**. Student arrival is scheduled for **6:45 p.m.** with the performance beginning at **7:00 p.m.** Please enter the building via the Main Entrance.

We cordially invite our school community to attend this musical event, and hope that you will find it to be an enjoyable program. Masks are required and social distancing is encouraged. **Please stay tuned for more information.**

MORNING DROP-OFF: We are asking for your cooperation as you drop your children off for school at 8:20. As you approach the school, please stay in the line of traffic. Once you move into the drop-off zone, pull up as far as possible and allow the child(ren) in your vehicle to **depart on the PASSENGER side in a timely manner.** After your child has safely left your car, follow the car in front of you and move cautiously into the street, as soon as possible, so other cars may move forward. Please remain patient so that all children can be dropped off safely. All drivers **MUST** stay in their car. If you feel your child is too young to open the door on their own, then we ask you to park in the neighborhood and walk to school. Thank you.



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION: Please visit the Scotch Plains-Fanwood District website at www.spfk12.org for information regarding Kindergarten Registration for the 2022/2023 school year. If you know of a neighboring family with a school-age child, please pass this information along to them or have them contact the School One Main Office.

APPLICATIONS FOR THE SCOTCH PLAINS-FANWOOD PRE-SCHOOL

PROGRAM: The Scotch Plains - Fanwood Preschool Program provides a foundation of readiness skills for 3- and 4-year-old children. The preschool program is a tuition-based, regular education program with integrated classes that include some classified student participation. Enrollment is limited to Scotch Plains and Fanwood residents.

Re-enrollment for children currently attending out Preschool Program will take place in February. The enrollment process for new children wishing to enroll for next year will become available on March 1st. Details and information about the enrollment process will be posted to www.spfk12.org/preschool in the coming weeks.



Contact Information

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STUDENT ABSENCES: Attendance at school is imperative for student learning and will be taken daily. It is important that students are logged in on time (8:35 a.m.) to their respective class calls each day that school is in session to ensure continuity of instruction, unless illness or emergency prevents their attendance. Please remember to call the School One Attendance Line when your child is going to be absent. If you do not call to report your child's absence, we will call you. Should we be unable to contact you, the police may be called for assistance.

When you call the attendance line, please state your child's name, grade, your child's teacher's name, and a detailed reason for your child's absence. Please speak slowly and clearly.

**SCHOOL ONE ATTENDANCE LINE
(908) 322-7731, PRESS 1**



LUNCH PROGRAM: All school lunches must be preordered through the Pay Schools Central website using your student's lunch account information at www.payschoolscentral.com. Please be sure to complete the lunch choice/days option, along with the payment process to complete your child's lunch order. Meals can be preordered for multiple days.



If you have any general comments regarding the school lunch program, you may e-mail Pomptonian at comments@pomptonian.com. Please direct any inquires to the Food Services Director at (908) 889-8600 x31184 or cafeteria@spfk12.org.

PRE-K MILK MONEY: Pre-K milk money for the month of MARCH will be collected on **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH**, in the amount of **\$16.10 (23 days x \$.70)**. A milk order form will be sent home with your child on Monday, February 7th. *Please complete the form and return with your payment (either exact change, or a check made payable to SPFHS Cafeteria) in a sealed envelope. Please indicate your child's milk choice for the upcoming month (fat free, low fat, low-fat chocolate or low-fat strawberry). Pre-K students participating in the free-milk program MUST submit an order form*