



Message from the Head of School

Dear Families,

My guess is that your children were taking full advantage of the snow days on Tuesday and Wednesday. I remember snow days when I was young: I relished the opportunity to take my Yankee Clipper sled down to the local hill with my brothers and sisters. I also remember my mother collecting our wet clothes at the door when we returned home, exhausted and soaked through. I hope your children had some fun and that you were able to relax a bit as you waited out the storm.

Yesterday, we were planning to have a prayer service at school to promote peace. We will let you know when we reschedule the event. Peace or the absence of peace is not something with which only adults must be concerned. Every day children come into conflict with one another in the classroom or on the playing field. If we are successful in helping them to peacefully resolve these conflicts, there is a chance that they will take what they have learned and become peacemakers when they grow to adulthood.

When students come into conflict (a euphemism for "fight"), we pull them aside and try to calmly sort out what went wrong. Then, we work to have the students let go of their anger. We ask them to try and see the other student's point of view and we always ask them what they could have done differently. For students who bear the most responsibility, we look for remorse. If we feel there is a possibility that the students can reconcile, we bring them together to talk it out. Most times, these discussions are fruitful; once apologies are made from the heart, many times, the conflict ends with an offer of forgiveness, and I know I have made an impact. Children, even young children, have the capacity for contrition and forgiveness. They can let go of their anger a lot easier than adults, and we can learn a lot from that resilience.

Hopefully, spring will come to Brighton soon. We yearn for warmth and an uninterrupted week of school!

Sincerely,
William Gartside
Head of School

News & Updates



The Select Choir sang at BC's Annual Sing

Easter Lunch

The Easter Lunch will be on Tuesday, March 27th. On the menu will be ham, potatoes, pineapple stuffing, carrots, bread, and a dessert. Lunch is \$6.00 per student.

Parent volunteers are needed to help run this event! If you are available during the day, please click the link before to sign up.

it to the Heights. All money raised was donated to our music program.

[Click here to volunteer for Easter Lunch.](#)

State of the School Address Wednesday, March 21, 2018

Please join us on Wednesday, March 21st at 6:00PM for the State of the School Address. We will be sharing wonderful news about a deeper connection with Boston College and the results of the parent survey.

Childcare will be available. To RSVP and sign up for childcare, click the link below.

[Click here to RSVP.](#)



The Ski Club had a great time this year at Nashoba Valley Ski Area.



Grade two students celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation last weekend.

Summer Programming

A six-week STEM Academy is offered from July 9th to August 17th to students entering grades 5, 6, and 7. Students will deepen their understanding of STEM concepts through hands-on lab, fieldwork, and engagement in the engineering design process.

An eight-week summer program is offered from June 25th to August 17th to students entering grade pre-kindergarten through grade 4. This program provides a range of academic, enrichment, and recreational activities.

[Click here for to enroll!](#)

2018 BC Race to Educate



SATURDAY APRIL 28, 2018
7:30AM REGISTRATION AND BIB PICK UP
8:45AM KIDS FUN RUN
9:30AM 5K FUN RUN AND WALK

Be sure to register for the BC Race to Educate! This fun, family event is our biggest fundraiser of the year! The race starts and ends in Alumni Stadium at Boston College with kids' races and a 5K run/walk.

Volunteers are needed for the Pasta Supper on Friday night and the day of the race. If you are able to volunteer, please [click here](#).

If you have any questions, contact your Class Captain or kward@stcps.org.

Need help registering for the race or setting up your pledge page? On Monday, March 19 from 8am to 1pm Kaitlin Cook, our BC Intern will be in the office ready to help. You can drop in, or if you prefer to set up an appointment, email her at kcook@stcps.org.

[Click here to register for the BC Race to Educate!](#)

Calendar Of Events

March 16

- No School - Teacher Professional Day
- K2 - Grade 8 Report Cards Available on Renweb

March 21

- State of the School Address 6PM

March 22

- Corrib Fundraiser

March 23

- Spirit Day - Teammates for Life

March 24

- Sweetheart Dance Gr 1 - 5

March 27

- Easter Lunch

March 29

- Early Dismissal
 - 11:05 - Gr. 1 -8
 - 11:15 - PK, K1, K2

March 30

- Good Friday - No School

April 3

- School Mass 9AM

April 6

- Early Dismissal 1:15PM

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