



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



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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE: Happy New Year!!! On behalf of the School One staff, we wish you and your family a healthy, happy, and prosperous 2021! As we enter this new year, we are greeted with hope and optimism. Together, as a community, our priority we will continue to remain vigilant in keeping each other safe and healthy.

IMPORTANT JANUARY DATES TO REMEMBER:

January 1 st	- Schools Closed for New Year's Day
January 11 th -15 th	- Parent/Teacher Conferences (Evening Conferences January 14 th)
January 15 th	- School Spirit Day – Pajama Day
January 18 th	- Schools Closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES: Parent-teacher conferences will be held *virtually* on **Monday, January 11, Tuesday, January 12, Wednesday, January 13, and Friday, January 15 with evening conferences scheduled for Thursday, January 14.** If you have not signed up or are having difficulty, please contact the Main Office immediately.

Morning Pre-K will meet *virtually* between 8:35 and 10:35 a.m. Afternoon Pre-K will meet *virtually* between 10:40 a.m. and 12:40 p.m. each day. There will not be any instruction from 2:00-3:00 p.m. on January 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15 for Grades K through 4 unless otherwise communicated from their teacher.

RETURN TO HYBRID LEARNING MODEL: When our students return to the Hybrid Learning Model, please remember to complete the Daily Symptom Screening for your child(ren) before 7:30 a.m. If you encounter any issues accessing the form, please call the Main Office for support. In addition, students are required to wear a mask unless there is a documented health issue on file with the nurse. Please make sure that each day your child is dressed appropriately for the weather, as we will try to go outside for breaks and snack if possible.

As a reminder, below are the doors that students will use to enter the building and also be dismissed:

- Students arriving via bus: Door 1 (Main Entrance)
- Pre-K: Door 1 (Main Entrance)
- Kindergarten: Door 1 (Main Entrance)
- 1st Grade: Door 1 (Main Entrance)
- 4S, 3M, 2SM: Door 15
- 4Y, 4W, 3R, 2M: Door 14
- 3S, 3G, 2D, 2SH: Door 13

If you would like to change your child(ren)'s current COHORT selection, please let Mr. Fiory know by **Wednesday, January 6, 2021**. Students can change their schedule from **Hybrid** to **Remote** at any time by informing Mr. Fiory. The next opportunity to move from **Remote** to **Hybrid** will be on **February 16, 2021**. Parents will need to contact Mr. Fiory by **February 9, 2021** for this schedule change to take place.

If you have any questions regarding your child(ren)'s COHORT assignment, please contact the Main Office for information.

THANK YOU: A special thank you goes out to our School One staff and families for making our *Flurries of Kindness* gift giving event a success. We were able to bring lots of holiday cheer to our families in need. We are grateful for your all of your support.

WINTER WEATHER UPDATE: Information regarding school closings during remote learning will be communicated directly from the administration at the SPF Board Office.

When students return to the hybrid model, the Scotch Plains-Fanwood District will utilize the SWIFTK12 Notification System for instant alert messages. This system will be used for school closings and/or emergency early dismissals. ***It is important that if there is a change in your home phone number, cell phone number, email address, or emergency contact numbers, that you notify the School One office.***



STUDENT ABSENCES: Attendance at school (online or in person) 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**

