



THE CHRONICLE

A WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN FOR KAPPA III PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS

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PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Dear Parents/Guardians:

I hope you all had a restful long weekend. It's so hard to believe that we are already into the second week of October. The weather is starting to get a little colder, so please make sure your children are dressed warm. The school day begins at 8:00am and ends at 2:20pm. Breakfast is available for all students beginning at 7:30am. Remember it is essential for your children to be in attendance so that we can get them prepared for the next grade level. Make sure your child knows that you expect him/her to go to school every day, even if they are "too tired" or "need a break." Review the school attendance policy together and discuss acceptable reasons to be absent (illness, family emergency). Tip: Point out that missing even one day can lead to lots of make-up work—that might make it less appealing to miss class time.

Every October, the nation observes **National Breast Cancer Awareness Month**. Breast cancer is a disease that affects both men and women and is among the most common cancers. According to the National Breast Cancer Foundation, 1 in 8 women will develop invasive breast cancer in her lifetime. New breast cancer diagnoses are expected to number more than 200,000 for women and more than 2,000 for men. We want to raise an awareness of preventative measures and helpful resources that may help you and your loved ones beat the odds. Last week during advisory students participated in a lesson to learn about Breast Cancer Awareness. As a school community we will raise funds to help support Breast Cancer Awareness. Every Friday, for the month of October, our students can wear **pink shirts** with their uniform pants to help raise awareness.

In October we began our School-Wide Positive Behavior Incentive Program. The class with the highest points for demonstrating the 3C's of KAPPA (**Courage, Caring and Character**), will receive a reward. Students are very excited and are motivating one another to adhere to our school guidelines. You can use your ClassDojo account to see your child's progress in each class.

All parents should have received their child's **progress report** for the first marking period on Friday. As always you can check your child's google classroom for their daily grade report. Along with the progress report we included the following items:

- iReady Reading and Math Diagnostic Results. This report gives you a snapshot of your child's performance. Student performance is measured on a scale of 100–800, with your child's current score indicating the skills they have mastered up

SPECIAL NOTICES

REMINDERS

DISTRICT 12

Fall Harvest Festival

NEW LOCATION

PS66/Fannie Lou Hamer MS

1001 Jennings Street

Bronx, NY 10459

Saturday, October 14th

11:00am – 2:00pm

Masquerade Dance

Thursday, October 26th

4:00pm – 6:00pm

Spirit Day

Friday, October 27th

Camp Ramapo Trip

Monday, October 30th

FORMS

If you have the following forms, bring it to the Office

Lunch Form, Emergency

Contact & Picture/Video

Consent

If You or Anyone in Your

Family/Home

Feels Sick!

STAY HOME & GET TESTED

KAPPA III WEB SITE

Check it out

<https://kappaiii.echalksites.com/>

to that point in the school year and the skills they still need to work on moving forward.

Our PTA held their first meeting on Saturday, October 7th. We discussed Title 1 funding and supports for our academic programs. We reviewed policy and procedures. I would like to thank all of the parents that came out to attend our PTA Meeting. We look forward to working with you all this year.

As always, to ensure communication between home and school, I encourage you to refer to our school website and ClassDojo for up-to-date information: <https://kappaiii.echalksites.com/>. Please make sure you receive our weekly chronicle and monthly calendar for up-to-date information on our events. You may contact our Parent Coordinator, Ms. Ovalles with any questions via email (jpena26@schools.nyc.gov) or phone (347-939-3917).

Thank you for your continued support and wish you and your family good health.

Have a wonderful week!!

Respectfully, Jean Colon, Principal

6th, 7th & 8th GRADE CONFERENCES

(If you would like to speak to your child's Professor, please call our Parent Coordinator Ms. Ovalles.)

Congratulations to Class 604 for having the highest Attendance Percentage of 97.6% for the week of October 2nd.

Classes: **601**—96.4%, **602**—94.4%, **603**—95.6%, **604**—97.6%,

Classes: **701**—93.3%, **702**—93.3%, **703**—91.8%, **704**—95.7%, **705**—85.7%

Classes: **801**—95.2%, **802**—93.7%, **803**—89.5%, **804**—93.3%, **805**—96.4%

CONGRATULATIONS to Class 604 for having the highest attendance percentage of 95.9% for the month of **September you **WON A SUBWAY DAY** on Friday, October 13th.**

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Thoughts to ponder....

"Fear is a liar"

-Unknown-

Ms. Matthews – .

Social Worker Ms. Williams –.

Highlights for Grade 6

Math— working towards mastery in geometry, unit 1 area & surface area lessons 14-19. We will end the unit this Friday. End of unit 1 assessment is October 16th. We will assess the knowledge around finding the area of a prism, pyramid & parallelogram.

ELA — we will focus on determining the central idea of a text. In addition, we will continue exploring themes in The Lightning Thief.

Science – we will examine the effect of physical activity on heart rate. Students will also take a mid-unit assessment on Thursday.

Social Studies – problems & solutions graphic organizer, evaluating real life solutions to environmental problems graphic organizer & thematic maps.

Physical Ed— How balance helps with motor skills.

Music – we will be working on complementary rhythms.

Guidance Counselor Ms. Paniagua – welcome back! Hope you all had a wonderful long weekend. This week we will continue to work on improving school attendance for all grades. Miss a Day Miss a Lot! We will have ours available for parents who need assistance in creating their myschools account. 6 & 7 graders will continue to complete career trackers.

Highlights for Grade 7

Math— we will be wrapping up our unit on Rational Numbers. Next week there will be a test covering Rational numbers & we will introduce the end of unit project.

ELA— we will learn how to discover different themes present in our class novel, A Long Walk to Water.

Science— we are continuing to focus on graphing.

Social Studies— we will analyze conflict within the New England colonies.

Physical Ed— How balance helps with motor skills.

Music – we will be starting rest values.

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Highlights for Grade 8

Math— we will begin our new unit on Dilations, Similarity, & introducing slope. We will learn how they can use translations & dilations in order to learn about slope.

ELA — we will continue to analyze how incidents affect aspects of character to prepare for the end of unit assessment later this week.

Science— we will look at the structure & function of the cell membrane.

Social Studies— we will analyze how the reconstruction affected African Americans & what did people & government do as a reaction.

Physical Ed— How balance helps with motor skills.

Health— emotional & mental health & how to identify healthy relationships.

Guidance Counselor Ms. Bandler – the application for Specialized High Schools is due October 27th. Please continue to research high schools on myschools.nyc & attend open houses to get a sense of the schools you would like to choose for your child.