



Public School 3

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Dear Parents,

I hope everyone enjoyed a healthy and safe vacation time with families and friends. January is a time where we are almost mid-way through the school year. We have been in school long enough to take stock in how students are acclimating as we move toward the remaining half of the school year.

During the next three weeks students will be assessed to determine the amount of progress they are making. We use several assessments to complete this task. You may hear your child/children talk about these assessments:

1. Acadience – A universal screening and progress monitoring assessment that measures the acquisition of early literacy skills from Kindergarten through Sixth grade.
2. Teachers College Running Record – A running record is a tool for coding, scoring and analyzing a child's precise reading behaviors.
3. I-Ready Math and Reading – A computer adaptive diagnostic and instruction program for both math and reading.

Academic Intervention Services (AIS)

For those students who are currently enrolled in AIS programs, the end date for this first round of programs is Thursday, January 26th. This includes the before and after-school programs. A second round of AIS programs will begin on Monday, January 30th. Many of the students in the first series of AIS will roll into the second, but some will graduate out. We will utilize the data collected from the above referenced assessments to determine if changes need to be made to our AIS programs.

PTA January Meeting

The January PTA meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 10th.

The link for the meeting is:

January PTA Meeting

Tuesday, January 10 · 6:30 – 7:30pm

Google Meet joining info

Video call link:

<https://meet.google.com/omn-bfba-hea>

Or dial: (US) +1 317-520-3315 PIN: 889 933 111#

More phone numbers: <https://tel.meet/omn-bfba-hea?pin=1955891465394>

Preparation for Bad Weather Days

All classroom teachers, cluster teachers and related service providers have Google Classroom pages that serve as the main point of information for that classroom. All students should know how to go onto those pages to find out information about the class.

If you have concerns regarding technology, the online platform, remote instruction, etc., please first reach out to the classroom teacher. If they are not able to assist, they will escalate the concern to me.

Health Updates

Please be aware that PS 3 has seen an uptick in the number of COVID cases after Thanksgiving. To date, we have recorded 64 positive cases. 40 of those cases were within the past 5 weeks. If your child is positive with COVID, please make sure to let the school know so we can have accurate records. Please be informed that the NYC Health Director has now recommended (but not required) indoor masking in all schools due to the increase in Flu, RSV and COVID-19 cases in schools. PS 3 has a significant inventory of student masks and will provide if necessary.

Important Upcoming Dates

January 10	PTA Meeting	
January 16	Martin Luther King Day	No School

Thank you,

Elmer Myers, Principal