## Brooklawn Middle School Spring 2021 Newsletter

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### Message from the Principal...

As we move into the fourth quarter of the school year, I am so excited to be welcoming back even more students to school. The students are what bring this building to life and we are so happy to be seeing even more of them every day.

I would like to extend a special thank you to our PTSA for supporting the BMS Winter Reading Challenge and Knights Across America Project. These were great contactless projects to help our students feel connected to their school community and the prizes helped to encourage student participation.

Speaking of getting involved, our very talented Student Council held a virtual "escape room" night last week. I'm going to be honest, I was quite nervous to play thinking that I would not do well. It was AMAZING! All of the groups had so much fun working as a team to solve the riddles in each of the rooms. I never could have imagined doing this virtually. Please, encourage your students to attend these events and get involved. They will not regret it.

I hope you all continue to be well and have a relaxing Spring Break.

Stay well, Carly Stout Principal





Thank you for your continued support at home. We could not be doing this so successfully without your help. The springtime weather is so refreshing but sometimes we can become a little lax in some areas when we get that spring fever. Please note the following reminders:

- Even though we are following our half-day schedule, the students are in school until 2:45. Please avoid scheduling activities/doctors appointments during this time as students may have a Google meet to attend or work that must be finished by the end of the school day.
- ❖ Parent drop off is located at the back of the building. Over the past couple of weeks, students have been arriving at that back door as the 8:00 a.m. bell rings. Students are expected to be in class at 8:00 a.m. We will be shutting that back door at 7:58 a.m. and all students will need to be brought to the front of the building to sign in.
- ❖ If your student is scheduled to be in person, they are expected to be here. If they are not coming in, you must log into Genesis to note their absence or call our attendance office. Please note that students who repeatedly do not come in to school will be moved back to the remote learning cohort.



Brooklawn Middle School had a successful winter sports season. We were happy to allow our students the chance to get back out there competing in the sports that they love.

Our girls and boys basketball teams both played four different schools in our pod. The Lady Knights had a great time competing and finished their season 2-6. Our boys team finished strong with a thrilling one-point victory over Roxbury. They remain undefeated at 8-0.

The wrestling team will finish their season today. It was so nice to have them back out on the mat. They are currently 3-2. Good luck to them today!

Thank you to all of our student competitors and to the parents who supported us this season. We are excited to kick off our baseball and softball season on April 12<sup>th</sup>.

# reminder

Eighth Grade Parents: Don't forget to fill out the Diploma Name Form that was emailed to you. If you haven't already done so, please click here:

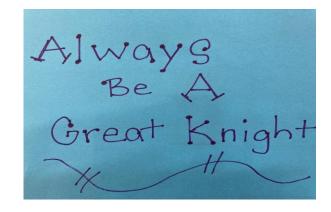
#### Diploma Name Form

You should have also placed your gown order already. If not, click here to do so:

Gown Order Form



The Builder's Club is doing a supply drive for our local animal shelters. They are looking for donations of paper towels, swiffer pads, dawn dish detergent, 8-gallon garbage bags, medium nitrile gloves and lysol air sprays. If you would like to donate, you can bring these items in to school or drive up to the front of the building for contactless drop off. There is a box outside of our main office.



On Friday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, students celebrated National SEL Day during school. As a school community we know how important social emotional learning is, especially this year. Some teachers facilitated lessons centered around SEL and all students in physical education classes participated in this by writing down a positive word or phrase that brings them joy. I included mine above. We then decorated our second floor with these signs. Please visit our website to view the video we put together displaying our celebration. You can also click the link here: #SEL Day.



On Monday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, all student passwords in grade 2-12 will be changed in order to enhance security for student accounts. Please log in to the Genesis Parent Portal after 2:00 p.m. and inform your student of their new passwords. Students will NOT be able to access their accounts on Monday, April 12th including email, Google Meets, Google Classroom etc. without this new password. Students and parents can contact the help desk for assistance if necessary at 862-286-7069 or email support@pthsd.zendesk.com.



Brooklawn Middle School has clubs and activities that students can get involved in. It is not too late to get involved! Click the link below to see all of our current clubs and when they meet virtually.

**Clubs and Activities** 

Student Activities Link



The end of Marking period 3 was today, April 1<sup>st</sup>. If your student receives an incomplete for the marking period, please reach out to the teacher. Students will have ten school days to remediate these grades.



### **Upcoming Important Dates**

April 2<sup>nd</sup>-April 11<sup>th</sup>: Spring break

April 12th: Welcome back Knights!

April 22<sup>nd</sup>: Environmental Club Virtual Green Games

May 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup>: Tentative virtual release of our spring musical "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown"

May 3<sup>rd</sup> - May 7<sup>th</sup>: Teacher Appreciation Week

May 4th: PTSA Meeting 7:30 p.m.

May 31st: No School Memorial Day

June 8<sup>th</sup>: No School/Professional Development Day for Teachers

June 18<sup>th</sup>: Tentative 8<sup>th</sup> grade moving up ceremony 9:00 a.m. @ PHHS

June 18th: Last Day of School for students!!



This Earth Day, the Environmental Club will be hosting the BMS Green Games! Learn how to become more environmentally friendly, and have fun doing it at this exciting virtual event! There will be all sorts of fun and games - trivia, Kahoots, a scavenger hunt, and prizes too! Please go to our website to sign up for this event, which takes place on Earth Day, April 22<sup>nd</sup>. You can also click here.