



Good Afternoon Roger Clap Families,

As we continue to work together to ensure a safe and welcoming school community environment for all students, we ask that you continue to monitor your child's health and wellness as we learn more about the COVID-19 and the spread of it throughout the world. **Currently, Massachusetts is a state that is at low risk for contraction, so we will continue to follow our normal routines, attending events and field trips as planned.** Please see below for more information regarding COVID-19 as well as important updates regarding this week.

SCHOOL-WIDE UPDATES

- **COVID-19:** There have been zero cases of the COVID-19 in Boston Public Schools. To ensure this remains true, it is important that we take precautionary measures seriously. Handwashing and hand sanitizer are our first defense. Please see the attached notice with important information about COVID-19.
- **Whole School Science Field Trip:** The entire Clap school K0-5 will attend a field trip to the Science Museum to make connections to their current science learnings in school and for a visit to the butterfly garden tomorrow, March 11th, 2020. Permission slips have already been sent home, however if you are in need of an extra, **one is attached to this newsletter. Signed permission slips must be returned by TOMORROW MORNING, prior to us leaving for the trip. In order for your child to attend, they must be dressed in uniform. We will not be accepting verbal permission slips.**
- **School Site Council:** Last week, I was out sick during the original scheduled SSC, so we will be meeting on March 12th, 2020 at 4:30pm in the Clap main office. Please join us if you can!
- **End of Term 2:** Our second term of the school year ends on March 13th, 2020. Students in K0/K1 will receive their first official progress report during the week of March 16th. Students in grades K2-5 will receive their second progress report of the school year. If your child is absent, please send them in with a note stating why they are out; students with 4 or more unexcused absences will receive all NCs (no credit) on their report card. The best way to make sure your child is prepared for promotion to the next grade is by ensuring they are in school everyday. Feel free to call us with questions.
- **ELA Interim 3:** Next week, students in grades 2-5 will be assessed on their ELA progress this school year using a district-wide assessment. Please be sure your child is well rested so he/she is able to perform his/her best next week on the assessment.

REMINDERS

- **Classroom DOJO:** School-wide, classroom DOJO is used to show how student behavior and perform in school each day. As a parent/guardian, you have access to this platform and can communicate with classroom teachers regularly. If you are not yet signed up, please check with your teacher to do so.

- **Unexcused Absences:** Students with four or more unexcused absences will receive “NC” or “no credit” for the second marking term, which ends on March 13, 2020. Please send in notes! If you need the date of the absence, please give us a call at: 617-635-8672.
- **ARRIVAL & DISMISSAL:** Arrival time to school is 9:20am. Dismissal time is 4:10pm. Students will not be permitted into the school building before or after these times.
- **Uniforms:** We are a uniform school. Students should come to school in their uniforms when possible- navy blue bottoms and a white or navy blue top.

Carolyn Allston

Principal