

News from Frank G. Regan School

April 2024 Newsletter

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL, MRS. RAZZA



Happy Spring!!! Hopefully, the warm weather will follow! It's hard to believe that our school year is quickly coming to an end. We're now in the last marking period. Report cards for the 3rd Marking Period will be sent home on April 12th for students in grades 1 – 5. The kindergarten report cards were already sent home since they run on trimesters. All students will receive the last report card on Wednesday, June 12th which is currently the last day of school for now. If we have another unplanned school day closing, we will add another day to this school year. Therefore, June 12th is the tentative last day of school for this school year.

Parent-Teacher conferences are planned for Wednesday, April 24th from 5:00 - 7:00p.m. Your partnership is important to us. Discussing your child's progress with your child's teacher is extremely important. We are seeing a lot of growth in our students and are super proud of them! Please encourage your child to do their best everyday. Please sign up on Parent Square for a conference once it is posted. More information will be shared soon.

I want to thank Regan's School Governance Council. They have been working hard on planning activities on expanding our students' learning and engaging families. We hope that your family is enjoying the "One School, One Theme" project. We will begin a new book project at the end of the month. We are also planning a Career Day for Friday, June 7th.

It is important that your child attends school each day so that they can learn as much as he/she can and continue building on the skills needed to be successful for the 21st century. Continue encouraging your child to read at home and practice his/her writing and math skills as well. Having your child visit the Silas Bronson Library during the Spring Break would be an exciting trip for you and your child to gather some books for some fun reading! In addition, your child can access Math iReady, Amplify Reading and Literacy Pro from home anytime as well. This is all extra practice that will help your child. At any time you have a question or concern, please call the school. We are here to work together!

Best wishes,

Mrs. Angela Razza



DID YOU KNOW THAT...

"Handwriting quality is linked to better writing and reading skills. Writing by hand makes you a better reader and improves letter recognition. Handwriting uses more of your brain and integrates thinking, movement and sensation." (www.vanillapapers.net)



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Make sure to write a note or message your child's teacher if there is a change of transportation for the day.
- Please notify the main office if your phone number or address has changed. It is important that the office keeps accurate information in the event of an emergency.



IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Regan School 203.574.8187

School Fax 203.573. 6647

Durham Bus Company 203.591. 1847

Special Ed. Bus 203.753. 8366

Family Intake Center 203.346.3511

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM THE MAIN OFFICE

- The doors at Regan School open at 8:05a.m.
- Classes begin promptly at 8:35a.m. Anyone that arrives after 8:35a.m. will be marked tardy.
- Dismissal begins at 2:50p.m.
- All early dismissals begin at 12:00p.m.
- In the event of a 2 hour delay, school doors open at 10:05a.m. and classes will begin at 10:35a.m.



Important dates remaining for this school year:

Wednesday, April 10 - Eid Al-Fatir Muslim Holiday - No School

April 15 - 19 - No School - Spring Break

Wednesday, April 24 - We have a 12 p.m dismissal.

Wednesday, April 24 - Parent Teacher Conference 5 - 7p.m.

Thursday, April 25 - We have a 12 p.m dismissal.

Wednesday, May 1 - We have a 12 p.m dismissal

Wednesday, May 8 - 6:00p.m. In-Person Family Event

Monday, May 27- Memorial Day - No School

Wednesday, June 12 - Last day of school depending on weather



Information on Field Day:

SAVE THE DATE:

Field Day will take place on Tuesday, May 28, 2024

Rain Date: Wednesday, May 29, 2024

The PTO and funds from the Student Activity Account will help pay for Field Day t-shirts for our students, bussing to the park and activities during Field Day.

A permission slip will be sent home after spring break. Make sure to sign it so that your child can attend this event.

Additional information will be shared by Mr. Perez, our P.E. teacher.



MESSAGE FROM MS. MEJIA PARENT LIAISON

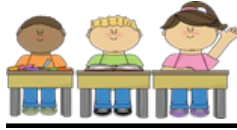
Hello to our Regan families,

Thank you all for participating in the virtual meeting. Please note that our next virtual PTO meeting has a tentative date for May 6th at 6:30 pm followed by the SCG meeting that will begin at 6:45 pm.

If you have any questions, you can contact me at 203-574-8187 ext # 3.

Thank you very much for your support and we look forward to seeing you at the next meeting and school event. Please contact me if you need any assistance.

CLASSROOM NEWS



A MESSAGE FROM MISS DICKEY AND MS. WILLIAMS KINDERGARTEN

Happy Spring! Here is what is happening in April. In ELA, we will begin learning the digraphs wh, ch, sh, th, and ck. We will also continue learning and reviewing sight words and our long and short vowel sounds. In Math, we will be working on adding and subtracting within 10. Students will solve addition and subtraction word problems within 10. In Science, we have started our unit on weather. We will be learning all about different types of weather, as well as the seasons.

Homework packets will continue to be sent home. Packets are due every Friday! 😊

Any questions or concerns, please let us know!
Ms. Williams & Ms. Dickey



A MESSAGE FROM MISS ANULEWICZ AND MISS WOJTUNIK FIRST GRADE

Happy Spring! It is so hard to believe we have begun the last marking period of the school year. Here is what is happening in the month of April in first grade! In phonics we are going to continue working with r-controlled vowels. In math we have been working hard on understanding tens and ones. This month we will begin adding two-digit numbers

as well as beginning our unit on measurement. In Wonders, Unit 5 we will be answering the unit question- "How can we make sense of the world around us?".

With the weather beginning to get warmer we ask if you can please send your child with a water bottle. HW packets and Spelling tests will continue to be on Fridays unless we have shared otherwise. Please be sure to have your child practice spelling words at home! Any questions or concerns please let us know!

Ms. Anulewicz & Ms. Wojtunik



A MESSAGE FROM MS. SAINTFLEUR AND MISS TYRRELL SECOND GRADE

Welcome Spring! We are heading into the last marking period of the school year! In ECRI, we are learning new trick words, reviewing affixes, and continuing to work on writing and marking up double vowel words. In Wonders, we are finishing Unit 5 - focusing on asking and answering questions, finding key details in a text, finding different points of view in a story, rereading, visualizing and summarizing what we are reading about. In Math, we are learning about measurement! The students will be learning how to use different units of measurement, such as: centimeters, inches, and feet. They will also be learning how to estimate different lengths. We are still adding and subtracting three-digit numbers by using strategies such as place value, expanded form and open number lines. In Science, we will be starting our next unit on Matter. Students are working daily on completing their iReady Math and Amplify Reading lessons. Please make sure to check your child's blue folder.

Our students are working super hard and we are so proud of all of them! Keep it up 2nd Grade!

Love, Miss Tyrrell & Mrs. Sainfleur



A MESSAGE FROM MR. MITCHELL AND MRS. SCHMIED THIRD GRADE

Spring Happiness to all of our Third Grade families. We are so happy that the nicer weather is here. Just a reminder that all homework is assigned on Mondays and due on Fridays.

A Reading Note from Mrs. Schmied: We are starting the 4th marking period. It is extremely important that children get their assignments done and handed in on time. We are starting Unit 5, Take Action, in Wonders. During this five week unit, students will explore the big idea of Taking Action. Students will have essential questions that will guide them through each lesson. The overarching essential question is "What are ways people can take actions?". In Foundations we are reviewing double vowel teams, contractions using not and is and the difference between hard and soft c/g. Fluency practice is also important to keep working on at home. Students should read aloud the passages in their fluency folders every night.

We are continuing to practice for Smarter Balance Testing. You can practice with your children at home.

A Math Note from Mr. Mitchell: During the fourth marking period our students will be learning all about measurement and geometry. In April, they will learn how to measure with a ruler and then graph the data on line plots. Students will then learn about time, liquid volume, and mass. In addition, we will review concepts to prepare for the Smarter Balance and i-Ready End-of-Year Assessments coming in May. Please keep practicing multiplication facts through 10×10 .



A MESSAGE FROM MRS. BETANCOURT AND MR. WELCH FOURTH GRADE

Hi everyone! It's hard to believe that we are already in the fourth marking period and that the school year is almost over! Even though it's almost summer, we still want your children to challenge themselves to be the best they can be. Here are a few updates about what we are working on in April along with some ways you can help your children succeed.

In ELA, both classes are learning about how to do research and use different sources when writing about a topic. We are also getting ready for the Smarter Balanced test, which will take place in May. It is important to read with your child and ask them questions every night!

In math, students are working on a unit on fractions and decimals, which will continue through all of April. As always, PLEASE make sure you are practicing basic math facts with your children. Fact fluency is very important!

Finally, in science students wrapped up a unit on natural hazards, such as: hurricanes, tsunamis, and volcanoes. They are now learning about the earth and how weathering, erosion, and deposition can change the Earth's surface.

Thank you for all that you do and have a great April!

Sincerely,

Mr. Welch

Mrs. Betancourt



A MESSAGE FROM MISS CARASONE AND MS. SENAN FIFTH GRADE

Happy Spring to all of our Grade 5 Parents! The 4th Marking Period is an important one as we gear up for the Smarter Balanced Testing. We're proud of the hard work and dedication your children have been putting into their studies and we encourage you to continue supporting them at home; especially with reading, math, and writing. Remember, learning doesn't stop at school, it's a collaborative effort between home and school.

In ELA, we're currently diving into Unit 5, where students are learning the art of crafting a research report using relevant information. In math, our focus is on understanding division with unit fractions. In Unit 7 of Science we're exploring human activities and their impacts on the Earth's systems.

We're thrilled to see the growth and progress of each and every student in Grade 5. Thank you for your unwavering support and here's to a successful marking period ahead!



As the weather fluctuates, be sure to keep an eye on the temperatures and send your child to school with appropriate clothing and outerwear. Try to get outside as much as possible and get some fresh air. Don't forget to check out the Silas Bronson Library! Remember, it's also important to exercise your mind too!



**A MESSAGE FROM MRS. PRONOVOST
READING INTERVENTIONIST**

Reading Intervention students have been reading some great books in our group lessons. The students are really improving their decoding and fluency skills. I am proud of them all. Grades 3-5 have also been helping me with a few projects for my Masters courses I am enrolled in. Students have been asked to read at least 10 minutes each night at home. Please try to make this part of your nightly routines. The more they read at home, the more improvement they will progress in their reading ability overall.



**A MESSAGE FROM MRS. QOSJA
ESL TEACHER**

Happy Spring!

During this month Kindergarten students are learning/reviewing sight words, short vowel sounds and writing. Grades 1-5 are will continue to work on Unit 5 in Wonders during the month of April. We will also be focusing on reading, writing and responding to passages.

Their growth and progress in EL is always valued! Thank you for all that you do to help our students succeed! Have a wonderful month!

**A MESSAGE FROM MRS. THOMPSON
LITERACY FACILITATOR & TVP**

Spring has Sprung! After a long winter, I am so grateful when the weather turns warmer and the students get to enjoy this weather. Spring is such an incredible time of the year to start reading and writing activities at home. Stop by the Silas Bronson Library the week of April 7th to celebrate National Library Week and to check out a book or two to read with your child. They have fun activities and giveaways for everyone that visits this week. Enjoy reading this spring!

Our end of year mCLASS benchmark assessments will be coming up beginning on May 6th. Please practice reading each night with your child to improve their reading fluency.



**A MESSAGE FROM MR. NAZARIO
MUSIC TEACHER**

This month 4th and 5th graders are continuing to learn the recorder and learn rhythm notation as well. I am also preparing kindergarten and 5th grade students with songs that they will perform at their respective stepping up ceremonies during the last week of school in June. I will be starting a patriotic song unit for 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade, and a world song unit for second graders. April will be a busy month of music learning for Regan Eagles!



A MESSAGE FROM MR. PEREZ PHYSICAL EDUCATION TEACHER

Happy Spring! Students are excited to be outdoors for Physical Education. During this month the students will be working on the following:

Grades K-2: Balance /Coordination- Balance is a great way to help the body recognize where it is and how to move around in an area. Balancing activities increases a child's endurance and core strength. This enables children to process visual information to control their hands, helping them to write or catch a ball, which is essential for fine motor skills.

Grade 3-5: They will learn about tennis history, parts of the racket, and the different tennis strokes for beginners like the serve, forehand, and backhand. Below are several goals they will be progressing towards.

- Tap a ball or balloon up 5 consecutive times.
- Bump down the ball or balloon and catch it against my racket 5 consecutive times.
- Underhand the backhand and forehand skills and strike a ball with my racket against a wall in a controlled manner.
- Two-hand volley with control with a partner.

****Regarding Field Day****We are looking for someone willing to donate bicycle helmets of all sizes. We will need about 10 helmets and about 40 empty pizza boxes of various sizes. You can message me on Parent Square or send items with your child to the school office.

Thank you in advance!



A MESSAGE FROM MS. THERVIL ART TEACHER

Happy Spring! In addition to creating prints and miniature portraits, we ended March by beginning to make paintings and Easter inspired collages. I have been very proud of their beautiful creations and I can see that reflected in the pride they take in bringing their artwork home. This month we are going to focus on growing our drawing skills by incorporating the use of rulers to help us make math inspired artwork for grades 3-5. For grades k-2 we will continue strengthening their fine motor skills through the exploration of collage and mixed media art.

Outside of the art room, I hope you will attend the free Artrageous exhibition at the Mattatuck Museum on April 9th from 6-8pm to celebrate the following Regan Eagles who will have their artwork on display:

Sacia Green in 3rd grade
Dakota Paige in 3rd grade
Emma Nunez in 3rd grade
Jarielys Cruz in 3rd grade
Daniela Tello-Macao in 2nd grade
Skylar Reihl in 2nd grade
Luzlainny Bonila in 2nd grade
Athena Thompson in 2nd grade
Valerie Mulhall in 2nd grade
Janalie Velez in 2nd grade

Hope to see you there! - Ms.T



A MESSAGE FROM MISS BAJRAKTAREVIC SCHOOL COUNSELOR

HAPPY SPRING EVERYONE!

For the month of April, we will focus on strengthening our social skills. Good social skills allow kids to interact positively with others and communicate their needs, wants, and feelings effectively. Students will practice noticing how they are feeling and identify what they can do to help themselves feel better. We will also continue to focus on introducing different careers to our students. Career day is on June 7th if you are interested in participating please feel free to reach out to me. Our students would love to learn about your career!

Please remember **EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS**. We are slowly approaching the end of the school year and want to make sure all students are attending school everyday to do as much learning as possible before summer time. Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns. Regan School staff is willing to work together with you to help get your child to school daily and on time.



**21st CENTURY AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM
MRS. THOMPSON**

We have a full 2 months left of our after school program! The students will be remaining indoors tomorrow due to the eclipse. Please let me know if your child will not be attending after school tomorrow due to this event.

During the month of May 21st Century will be hosting the following events:

- May 8th: CT Science Center, Extreme Air Show
 - In-person event open to all students
 - 6:00p.m.
- May 23rd: Ice Cream Emergency
 - 21st Century Students & Families ONLY
 - 6:00p.m.

SAVE the DATE: Our annual trip to Holiday Hill will be on Saturday, May 18th- rain or shine! All students are **REQUIRED** to have **ONLY 1** adult in order to attend. Transportation will be provided & more details will follow at the end April.

On behalf of the after school staff we are thankful for your support, patience, and wish you a Happy Spring!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Razza, Mrs. Schmied, Mr. Welch, Mrs. Betancourt, Mrs. Sainfleur, Miss Anulewicz, Ms. Tyrrell, Mrs. Sciascia, Miss Wojtunik and Ms. Williams

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS



- BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION:** Remember to register for the Box Tops program! Download the free app. You can now scan your receipt with your phone. Each Box Top counts! Regan School earns money for school supplies! Go to [BTFE.COM/PRODUCTS](https://www.btfec.com/products) for a complete list of Box Tops product. We will no longer be collecting the Box Tops at school.

Regan School - April 2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	2	3	4	5
Virtual PTO meeting 4:30pm Virtual 3GC meeting 4:45pm A-Day/Day 136	12:00 PM Dismissal B-Day/Day 137	Smile Builders Completed form needed If interested C-Day/Day 138	D-Day/Day 139	E-Day/Day 140
8	9	10	11	12
A - Day / Day 141	Grade 2 field trip to Flanders Nature Center 8:45am - 12pm B-Day/Day 142	No School	C-Day/Day 143	Student of the Marking period ceremony @ 1:50 Gr. 1 - 5 - Report cards will go home D-Day/Day 144
15	16	17	18	19
NO SCHOOL SPRING RECESS	NO SCHOOL SPRING RECESS	NO SCHOOL SPRING RECESS	NO SCHOOL SPRING RECESS	NO SCHOOL SPRING RECESS
22	23	24	25	26
SCHOOL RESUMES E - Day / Day 145	A - Day / Day 146	12 pm Dismissal Parent/Teacher Conferences 5-7pm More info to follow. Sign up will be on Parent Square B - Day / Day 147	12 pm Dismissal Virtual Math Bingo Night 6:30pm C - Day / Day 148	D - Day / Day 149
29	30	May 1	May 2	May 3
E-Day/Day 150	A -Day / Day 151	12PM Dismissal B - Day / Day 152	C - Day / Day 153	D - Day / Day 154

Students of the Third Marking Period

Congratulations!!!

You make us proud!



KD - Malik Evans

1A - Carlos Alvarado

2S - Richard Abrahante

3M - Victoria Guerrero

4B - Madison Smith

5C - Jace Ruiz-Gallagher

KW - Addeline Panasci

1W - Enzo De Souza-Mendes

2T - Ketsana Vannaseng

3S - Emma Nunez

4W - Jayden Dumeng

5S - Scarlet Sanchez

In Person ceremony on
Friday, April 12, 2024
1:50 p.m

Art - Sophia Peralta

Music - Ileanys Rivera-Mendez

Physical Education - Ayrieannah Mullings

Criteria for the Student of the Marking Period

Marking Period 3
January 25 - March 27



*All students will enter in a chance to win an all paid family vacation to Boston, Massachusetts!

- Completes assignments and classwork with exceptional effort
- Follows Regan Eagle SOAR expectations and is a role model for other students
- Good attendance; no more than 3 days out for the marking period
- Attends school in dress code and follows the school-wide expectations



Let's give a shoutout to all of our readers!

<u>KD</u>	<u>KW</u>	<u>1A</u>	<u>1W</u>	<u>2T</u>	<u>2S</u>
Amir	Kimberly	Ian	Ariana	Dylan R.	Myra
Nolan	Theodore	Jacob	Mathew P.	Karyliss	RJ
Veronica	Richard	Carlos A.	Jimya	King	Janalie
Zhavia	Mason	Janeishka	Jaedyn	Ketsana	Mecca
Londyn	Mia	Vivienne	Adasha	Joy	Avah
Benjamin	Skyler	Adalyn	Mason		
Jordan		Carlos R.	Enzo		
Sean		John	Milani		
		Aryan			



Let's give a shoutout to all of our readers!

<u>3M</u>	<u>3S</u>	<u>4B</u>	<u>4W</u>	<u>5C</u>	<u>5S</u>
Ava P.	Angel	Natanael	Jayvion	Taliah	Scarlet
Camille	Emma	Mauro	Ciara	Elaina	<u>Kheyliani</u>
Azrielle	Sacia		Roselda	<u>Ileanys</u>	Anisa
<u>Jeilianys</u>	Sebastian			Kai	Jayce
Victoria	Kai D.				Cristian
Olivia	Amelia				Jonah
Pedro	Demaine				Alexis
	Jazalee				Jose
	Earnest & Loreangeli				Tramel



Our Top Readers in each class are...

Amir-KD

Ketsana-2T

Natanael-4B

Kimberly-KW

Myra-2S

Jayvion-4W

Ian-1A

Azrielle-3M

Ileanys-5C

Ariana-1W

Angel-3S

Tramel-5S



Our Top Earners in each class are...

Sean-KD

Damani-2T

D'lilah & Natanael-4B

Theodore-KW

Myra-2S

Jayvion-4W

Adasha-1W

Camille & Nina-Simone -3M

Kai-5C

Aryan & Adalyn-1A

Sebastian-3S

Cristian-5S



FREE SUMMER PROGRAM



Program Sites for Kids Entering 1st-6th Grade

Registration: April 15th, 2024

Wilby High School
North End Rec
568 Bucks Hill Rd
Waterbury, CT
203-574-8294

Registration: April 16th, 2024

Wilby High School
Washington Park House
568 Bucks Hill Rd
Waterbury, CT
203-574-8297

Registration: April 17th, 2024

West Side Middle School
Chase Park House
483 Chase Parkway
Waterbury, CT
203-574-8292

Program Sites for Kids Entering 7th & 8th Grade

Registration: April 18th, 2024

West Side Middle School
Chase Park House
483 Chase Parkway
Waterbury, CT
203-574-8292

We can not accept a child who is entering high school

Please register for the grade they are entering next school year



July 1st- August 9th, 2024

Monday-Friday

Drop-Off: 8:45-9:00am

Pick-Up: 2:30-3:00pm

Register Online Based on Above Location Sites
WWW.WATERBURYPARKSREC.COM



Sacia Green

Dakota Paige

Emma Nunez

Daniela Tello-Macao

Skylar Reihl

Luzlainny Bonilla

Athena Thompson

Valerie Mulhall

Janalie Velez

Jarielys Cruz

Happy Spring!