



Memorial Elementary School

Fall 2024

Dates to Remember:

Date	Event
Tuesday, August 27th	Open House All Grades (5:00-6:30.)
Wednesday, September 4th	First Day of School! (Early dismissal 1:15 p.m.)
Thursday, September 5th	First Full Day of School (Regular dismissal 3:15 p.m.)
Tuesday, September 17th	Home & School Association Meeting- 6:00 p.m. MES Library
Tuesday, September 17th	Back to School Night- 7:00 p.m. (more details to follow)

Homeroom Assignments:

Thank you for your patience as we have been working hard to complete homeroom assignments. Good news...envelopes were placed in the mail TODAY, 8/15/24.

Supply Lists:

Grade level supply lists were sent home in June and are on our website. They can be found on the home page under the “**School Supplies**” button.

Please no Stanley’s or cups of that style. Only water bottles that close completely and prevent spilling. More specific school supplies may be requested from your child's homeroom teacher throughout the year.

Food Service Program: Nutri-Serve

Food Service Software -The district will again be using the **LunchTime** software for managing all student lunch accounts. More information can be found under the Families Tab on the district website.

Free & Reduced Lunch Application - Any student who qualifies for a free or reduced lunch will have to complete the appropriate application. This information will be sent to all parents via **LunchTime** prior to the start of the school year. Applications can be found on the district website under the Families Tab.

Contact **Richelle Boyce** if you have any specific questions; nsfm@pitman.k12.nj.us

24/25 Panther Club Program:

The district offers before and after school care. For more information and to inquire about registering, please contact **Mrs. Jessica Romer** at jromer@pitman.k12.nj.us.



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Fall School Pictures:

Fall School Pictures will be Monday, **September 10th** with a make up day of November 12th. Information will be sent home within the first week of school. Individual pictures as well as class pictures will be taken at this time. There is a makeup date of **November 12th**- individuals only.

Home and School Association:

Please join us for the first HSA meeting on Tuesday, **September 17th at 6:00 p.m in the Memorial Library**, prior to Back to School Night at 7pm. The HSA provides an abundant amount of support for our school and you want to be a part of all of the fun! We are encouraging **ALL** families to join our HSA!! More information will be provided that night! Contact HSA President Regina James if you have any questions at memorial.hsa.president@gmail.com

Back to School Night:

On Tuesday, **September 17th at 7:00 p.m.**, we will host our Back to School Night! Details and times will be sent home after school opens. This is a special night for parents to learn about the new school year and meet the classroom teacher(s). Students should not attend. It will be an informative night for our grown-ups!

Arrival & Dismissal Procedures:

Getting children to and from school safely and in a timely manner is of the utmost importance to school staff as well as parents. With over 270 students currently enrolled at MES, this daily task can be accomplished with strict adherence to the following arrival and dismissal procedures. Thank you for your cooperation and patience.

- School starts promptly at **8:45 a.m.**
- Doors will open at **8:30 a.m.**
- Please do not leave your child unattended on school grounds prior to 8:30 a.m., as there will be no staff supervision

Optional Dismissal for preschool ONLY will be 2:40. This allows for a safe and smooth dismissal of our youngest students. While we encourage the 2:40 pick up, we understand that some families may need to have their child remain at school until 3:15 and/or dismiss to Panther Club. Please note that 2:40 - 3:15 will not be instructional time. Students remaining until 3:15 will participate in socialization and play activities. A dismissal plan will be completed for each preschool student. The dismissal plan must be consistent and cannot change daily.

Arrival and Dismissal Procedures Overview is included in the mailing.



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One final note...

Our website is rolling over to a new platform. All updated information will be added to the new website. Please follow the district facebook page, the Memorial instagram page and Class Dojo as well to ensure you are seeing all current information.

The staff at MES is so excited to meet and welcome the students to the 2024-2025 school year! Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact the main office at **(856) 589-2526**

With PAWS Pride,,

Kiersten Miller, Principal

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