



REGAN SCHOOL



JANUARY
2025



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year! I hope 2025 is off to a great start for everyone! We are almost at the mid-year point of the school year! Over the winter break, students were offered an opportunity to complete the Math and Reading Bingo Challenge. We hope they enjoyed the tasks. The students who completed these tasks will be recognized during the morning announcements and given a certificate and prize.

All students recently took their mid-year math assessment. They will take this assessment again at the end of the year. Certificates will be given to those students who showed at least 50% growth and/or showed a lot of effort while taking this assessment in December. We want to recognize all of our hard working students!

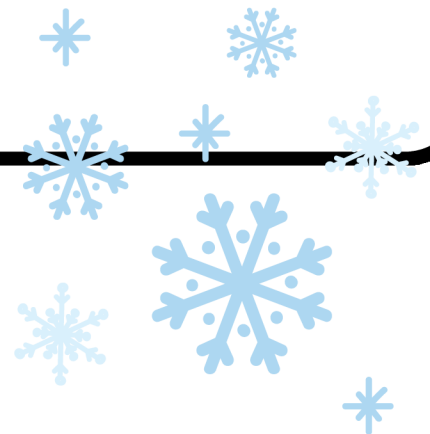
During the month of January, your child will also take a short reading assessment to determine how much growth has been made. After this assessment, teachers will be working with their students to set new reading goals. Parent letters will be sent home before the end of January showing your child's results. The letter will also include different activities that can be done at home to reinforce and strengthen skills. If you ever have any questions or concerns, feel free to make an appointment with your child's teacher. Mrs. Pronovost, the Reading Teacher, and Mrs. Ellington, the Literacy Facilitator, are also available. They are always glad to meet with you to discuss your child's progress.

As a reminder, your child can utilize the Math i-Ready computer programs at home if you have a device. Please encourage your child to read each night as well.

Attendance is extremely important. We expect our students to attend school each day so that they can learn as much as they can from their teachers. Students learn best when they are in school each day building on from the lesson from the prior day. Please plan vacations and appointments on days when school is not in session. If your child has an appointment in the morning, please bring them to school after the appointment.

Once again, Happy New Year! Best wishes to all for a wonderful, happy and healthy new year in 2025!

Sincerely,
Mrs. Angela Razza



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NURSE

HELLO PARENTS,

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HAS ALREADY BROUGHT IN MEDICATIONS. IF YOU STILL NEED TO DROP OFF ANY MEDICATION, I'M AVAILABLE MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY FROM 8:00 A.M. TO 2:30 P.M. PLEASE ENSURE YOU HAVE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTATION: THE AUTHORIZATION FORM SIGNED BY BOTH THE PROVIDER AND A PARENT. WHEN BRINGING IN THE MEDICATION, IT MUST BE IN A NEW BOX LABELED BY THE PHARMACY.

KINDERGARTEN PARENTS, PLEASE REMEMBER THAT STUDENTS NEED A PHYSICAL COMPLETED IN 2024 AND A LEAD TEST TO BE COMPLIANT. I WILL BE SENDING LETTERS TO THOSE WHO NEED TO SUBMIT THESE DOCUMENTS. IF YOUR CHILD HAS ALREADY HAD A PHYSICAL AND YOU'RE UNSURE IF I HAVE THE MOST RECENT DOCUMENTATION, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ME AT 203-574-8305. I'M HERE TO HELP!



PARENT LIAISON

Hello Regan families!

We will be holding the PTO and School Governance Council meetings virtually each month. We we hold our next meeting on Tuesday, January 14, 2025.

All meetings are virtual.

PTO meeting will begin at 6:30p.m.

SGC meeting will begin at 6:45p.m.

SELT meeting will begin at 7:15p.m

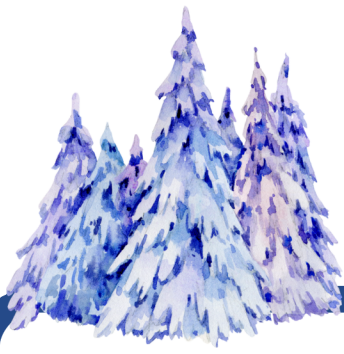
Check Parent Square for the Google Meet link each month.

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

Ms. Mejia

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KINDERGARTEN GRADE MISS KRUIJS & MISS HALL

Happy New Year! We hope you all had a wonderful winter break. As we return to school, we will be reinforcing the classroom routines and expectations from the beginning of the year.

Before the winter break, students completed their MOY Math iReady assessments which helps us to see students' math progress so far this year and to guide our math instruction. We will be working on Lesson 14: Comparing Shapes in math, where we will talk about the different attributes of shapes. Our Benchmark Unit 4 is all about understanding why writers tell many stories. We are excited to continue working with students on their decoding, high frequency word recognition, comprehension, and writing!

Please continue to have your child work on and return their homework packets each week and review their ECRI sheets every night. Staying consistent with these routines is crucial to your child's learning both at home and at school! We hope you all enjoyed reading *Henry and Mudge* with your child these past few weeks; more information will be coming soon about our next home book!

As always, please feel free to reach out to us on ParentSquare with any questions. Happy 2025!



FIRST GRADE MISS ANULEWICZ & MRS. SCARPATI

Happy New Year! We hope that everyone enjoyed the holidays. This month we will be doing the MOY reading tests to see the progress your child has made in reading at this point in the year. You can expect a letter to be sent home in February with the results.

Before the winter break, students completed their MOY math i-ready diagnostic. We will use the results to create their math goals for the rest of the year. This month we will learn new strategies to subtract and more about teen numbers.

In Science, we have begun Unit 2, learning about the sun, moon, and stars. In Phonics, we will continue reading and writing words with three-letter blends. We will continue sending home spelling lists and have spelling tests every Friday. We will finish Unit 3 of Benchmark this month and move onto Unit 5 learning about how technology can make a difference in our lives. The end of the 2nd marking period is coming up as well! As always, if you have any questions or concerns please reach out through ParentSquare or call the main office.



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SECOND GRADE
MISS TYRRELL &
MRS. SANINFLUER

Welcome back and Happy New Year! We will be working on setting our mid-year goals for reading and math. Our students have just taken the middle of year Math i-Ready diagnostic assessment and will be soon taking the middle of year mCLASS Assessment. Students should be reading 78 words per minute to be considered on-grade level. We can't wait to see the progress the students have made! In ECRI, the students will learn new trick words, affixes, spelling words and contractions. In Math, we are working on adding and subtracting three-digit numbers solving two-step word problems. In Benchmark Unit 4, we are learning how stories can change based on who tells them. In Science, we are learning about how wind and water can change the shape of land.

We are looking forward to a happy and successful rest of the school year! As always you can always reach us on ParentSquare if needed.

Best,
Miss Tyrrell and Mrs. Sainfleur



THIRD GRADE
MR. MITCHELL & MRS. SCHMIED

Happy New Year! We hope the break was relaxing and rejuvenating. As we enter January we will be looking at our goals for the next few months.

In Reading, students will be taking their mid-year benchmark test. Students should be reading 105 words per minute to be considered on-grade level. We will also be continuing our open-ended questions each week as well as practicing our fluency.

In Math, our students will continue learning about multiplication and division. Please continue to have your child practice skip-counting to learn the multiples of each factor. By now each child should know the multiples of 2, 3, 4, 5, and 10. We will be working on 6, 7, 8, and 9 over the next several weeks. During the week before the winter break in December, our students took the mid-year Math i-Ready Diagnostic. We will use the results to set goals for the second half of the school year.

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FOURTH GRADE

MS. BETANCOURT & MR. WELCH



Happy New Year everybody! We hope you all had a resting and relaxing holiday break. Here are a few updates about what we are working on in fourth grade!

In ELA, students are learning about understanding the point of view of others. They are also focusing on writing a new fictional scene.

In Math, we are completing a unit on measurement and conversions. As always, please make sure your children are practicing their basic addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division facts.

Finally, in Science, fourth grade started a unit Engineering.

Thank you for all of your support! Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions!

Thank you,
Ms. Betancourt and Mr. Welch



Fifth Grade

Miss Carasone & Ms. Senan

Happy New Year grade 5 families! We hope you had a wonderful holiday break. As we dive into 2025, we have a lot of exciting learning and activities to look forward to. Here's an update on what's happening in Grade 5 this month.

We're happy to report that the i-Ready mid-year assessments are complete! Our students worked hard. The results will help us continue to personalize instruction and focus on areas where each student can thrive. If you would like to discuss your child's results, please don't hesitate to reach out. This month, we are starting our mClass testing for literacy. This assessment will provide important information about your child's reading progress, including fluency and comprehension. We encourage all students to give their best effort during the testing and showcase the hard work they've put in so far this year.

In Science, we're exploring the fascinating topic of systems in space. We've just finished learning about adding and subtracting fractions with unlike denominators. This can be tricky, but our students did an excellent job practicing these skills. We will continue to build on this knowledge as we move forward with new math concepts.

Friendly Reminders:

- **Dress Warmly:** Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the colder weather. Outdoor recess will continue unless the temperature is extremely low.
- **Check Homework:** Just a reminder that homework packets are distributed on Mondays and are due by Friday. These packets contain practice for the week and are an important part of reinforcing what we're learning in class. Encourage your child to stay on top of their homework packets each week. This helps reinforce skills and prepares them for the upcoming lessons.

We're looking forward to an exciting and productive month ahead!

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Happy New Year!

MRS. PRONOVOST READING INTERVENTIONIST

In January we will be taking our middle of the year (MOY) mCLASS Assessments. The testing window is set for Jan 8th-14th. Home Connect reports will be sent home the first week of February so you can view your child's progress. Students will work with their teachers to look at the MOY information and discuss their progress towards their end of year reading goals. We will also look at this information to regroup students in both small groups and intervention. We cannot wait to see the gains your child has made towards reaching their goals.

Students seeing Mrs. Pronovost are asked to read at least 10 minutes each night. Please take time to read with your child at home.

Kindergarten families, be sure to help your child practice his/her letter and sound identification and play sound blending games with your child. The more you do at home, the better readers they will be.

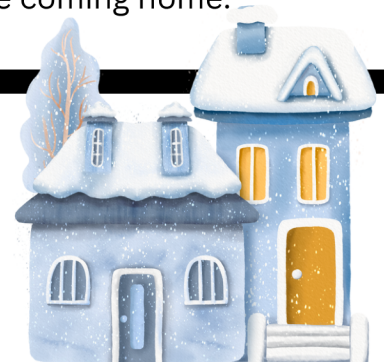
A MESSAGE FROM MRS. ELLINGTON LITERACY FACILITATOR

Happy New Year! January is such an exciting month for us. As we mark the halfway point through our school year we will reassess all our students to measure how much growth they have made. This is a great time for us to celebrate all the growth our students have made and to set plans for learning during the second half of the year.

We will be finishing up our units on authors and writers and begin unit 5 where we will be talking about "Technology and Society". We also will have the opportunity to participate in the Generali Foundation Reading Challenge. Students who choose to participate will log the number of minutes they read from January 7 through February 2. The two schools with the highest average number of minutes read will win a BMX stunt show. Be on the lookout for reading logs that will be coming home.

A MESSAGE FROM MISS BUSHKA MULTILINGUIST TEACHER

Happy New Year! It was so nice to meet everyone at Regan before the winter break. For those of you I haven't met yet, I am Kiley Bushka, the ML teacher at both Regan and Driggs. I am happy to be here. The students and staff at Regan are wonderful. I look forward to continuing to teach and support our multilingual students here at Regan. I am at Regan on Mondays and Tuesdays and alternating Wednesdays. Starting on 1/7, I will be administering LAS Links tests. Thank you all for the warm welcome!



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MRS. DAVIS
STEM COACH



Happy New Year my friends! Do you know what is so great about the number 2025? 2025 is an odd composite number! It is a number composed of two distinct prime numbers multiplied together, $3^4 \times 5^2$. It has a total of 15 divisors and it is a perfect square number. Its square root is 45. Did you know that the number 2025 in Roman numerals is written as MMXXV? What does 2025 look like in binary code? It's 11111101001. Also, in case you were wondering, 2025 seconds is equal to 33 minutes and 45 seconds! The New Year is filled with so much math! I can't wait to see all the math growth that will happen in 2025!!!! Stay focused and let's do some IReady!

Middle of the year testing in math was completed right before the holiday. As always, please work with your child at home on their basic math facts. Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd grade should be mastering their addition and subtraction facts and 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade should be mastering multiplication and division facts. Having good number sense and flexibility with numbers is the foundation for all high level math.



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MR. BROWN
PHYSICAL EDUCATION TEACHER



Happy New Year parents/guardians, I hope you had a great break! I am excited to kick off the new year in physical education class by making up for all of the lost time over break. Due to the cold weather, we will be holding class inside the cafeteria for the most part. This will allow us to focus heavily on fitness and improving the students endurance and stamina through fun challenges and games. We will also be touching on some team building lessons again as we prepare to gear up for team sports such as basketball, soccer, football, softball and baseball! The students are doing a wonderful job and I hope they continue to strive as we move onto more challenging topics!

MR. RIDGEWAY
MUSIC TEACHER

Happy New Year to all. A huge thank you to all who helped and participated in the two winter concerts we held in December. It was great to see all of the parents and families at the concert encouraging and inspiring our kids do their best.

In the new year our classes will be learning and singing Spirituals and Blues music and the civil rights movement.

The Music Enrichment Band and Violin classes will continue. Please encourage the students to practice and remember to bring instruments to school on B days. The second and third grade enrichment students will begin playing recorders.

MISS MALONEY
LIBRARY MEDIA TEACHER

Hello and Happy New Year Regan Families!! In the library, we will be continuing on our journeys of becoming stronger, more confident readers and learners in 2025! Fifth and fourth graders will develop a further understanding of point of view and perspective, and how those things influence a story. We will also be working on creating our own short graphic novel skits that are based off of our own written short stories. Kindergarten, first, second, and third graders will all be learning about different ways to compare and contrast various story elements such as characters, plots, settings, conflicts, and more.

I am both very excited and pleased at the amount of eager readers we have at Regan School! Students love to check out books weekly and exchange them for new books. If you notice your student has a library book at home and they seem to be finished with it, please remind them to bring that book back to its home so it can be enjoyed by other students. As pleased as I am with our avid readers, I am noticing that some of our books have not made it back to the library. I appreciate your help and care!




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MR. DABKOWSKI
ART TEACHER

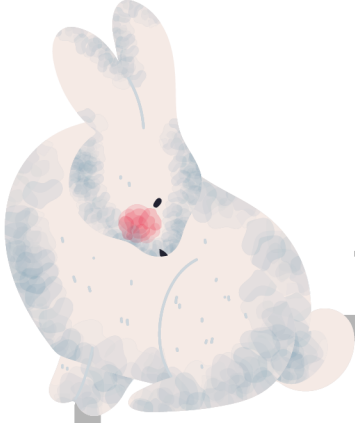
Happy New Year! I'm looking forward to this new start in art. This month Kindergarten and 1st grade we will be learning about primary and secondary colors by creating our own color wheels. In 2nd and 3rd grade we will be learning about cartooning. Uses simple shapes students will create their own characters and stories. In 4th and 5th grade students will learn about printmaking and how to create their own repeating patterns. They will then print those patterns onto a creative background.

**COMMUNITY
PARTNERSHIPS**

-  **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 for information on how to get the app and how it helps our school raise funds.
- **Mega Education** - Attorney Dressler will be joining us each marking period for our ceremonies to help us celebrate Students of the Marking Period!
- **Autumn Lake at Healthcare at Bucks Hill** - Regan School is planning several activities with the nursing home. Students recently made placemats for the patients to enjoy during their Thanksgiving dinner.

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ADDITIONAL INFO



- Make sure to call the school before 2:30p.m., write a note or message your child's teacher if there is a change of transportation for the day. If you don't hear back from your child's teacher, assume he/she has not seen the message. Keep in mind that teachers are very busy teaching throughout the day. Calling the main office before 2:30 is the best way to ensure your child's teacher has received the message regarding the transportation change 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.



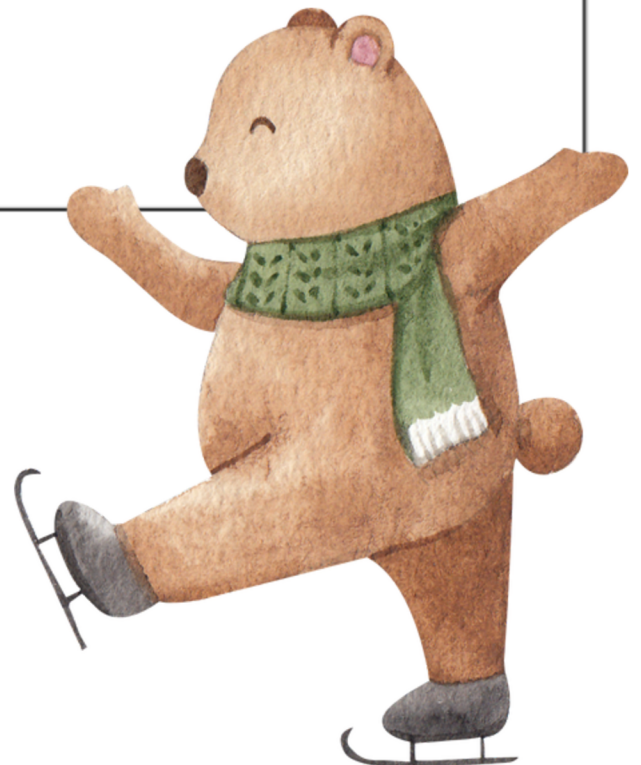


Attendance Matters

Every student. Every day.

Based on research, children who are chronically absent in kindergarten and first grade are less likely to read on grade level by the third grade.

For older students, being chronically absent is strongly associated with low grades and students are more likely to drop out of high school. When students are consistently absent from school, not only do they run the risk of falling behind their peers academically, but they also exhibit poor self-esteem. 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.



Our monthly PTO and SGC meeting will be held virtually on the first Monday of each month unless otherwise noted. *
We invite all families interested in helping our school community.

Here are the remaining dates:

***Tuesday, January 14, 2025**

Monday, February 3, 2025

Monday, March 3, 2025

Monday, April 7, 2025

Monday, May 5, 2025

We will discuss activities for our students at a school-wide level.

PTO stands for Parent -Teacher Organization - This is a group of parents, teachers and school staff that plan fun activities for the entire school student body.

SCG stands for School Governance Council - This is a group of parents, teachers and staff that discuss student achievement and plan activities to help all students achieve better academic outcomes.

SELT stands for School Equity Leadership Team - This is a group of teachers, staff and parents that will discuss ways to provide opportunities with equity to meet the needs of our diverse students.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 New Years day No School	2 School Resumes	3	4
5	6 Three Kings Day No School	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 Virtual PTO 6:30pm	15 12 PM Dismissal	16	17	18
19	20 Martin Luther King-Day No School	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31 Sweatshirt/Hoodie day	

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