

BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS



Mason Pilot Elementary School

Carolyn Allston, Principal

Tuesday, October 26, 2021

Happy Tuesday, Families & Community Members!

Please see important updates below. Have a wonderful rest of your week!

School-Wide Updates:

- **Daily Arrival:** As the weather begins to change, Mason staff members will meet students in the school yard at 8:20 am and immediately bring them to breakfast and the classroom. If you arrive after 8:20 am, please walk your Mason student directly to the main entrance of the building.
- **Halloween:** As an all inclusive school, we do not celebrate Halloween, as we know some families do not celebrate it as well. If your Mason student is interested in wearing their favorite dress or themed outfit, please make sure they do not wear masks, bring toys, swords, fake weapons or anything that is inappropriate or could cause harm. These items will be taken from students upon arrival to ensure a safe school environment for all. Some teachers have decided to host a pajama day on Friday, October 29th. Please check with your child's teacher to see what festivities are taking place!
- **Building Security:** Help us keep all Mason students safe and engaged in learning by observing our building safety protocols. Student arrival is at 8:20 am when school doors open and staff are on duty. Parents are responsible for supervising students prior to 8:20 am, daily as students will not be welcomed into the building until 8:20 am each day. Early dismissal ends at 1:45 pm, daily unless there is an emergency. We are averaging 10 staff members absent a day, so this protocol allows for us to keep all students safe and supervised while under our care at the Mason. Thank you.
- **Reading Logs:** Please continue to bring in those signed reading logs! Students who read at least 4x per week will be acknowledged during Town Hall and will be rewarded for their reading efforts.
- **Catie's Closet:** As the weather changes, we ask that you send your child to school in weather appropriate clothing. If your child comes to school in shorts or clothes that are not warm, we will send them home with winter clothing. Please let us know if your child is in need of winter clothes or a winter jacket. We are here to support you!

Reminders:

- **Early Pick Up:** If you are planning to pick up your child early, please give us a call at 617-635-8405.

Mason Weekly Family Updates

- **Winter Coats:** As you know, the weather is changing. If your child is in need of a winter coat, please let us know or tell them to check in at the Mason Main office. We will make sure they are sent home with a warm coat for winter.
- **EMERGENCY CARDS:** Please send completed emergency cards back to school with your child. These emergency cards provide us with important information in the case of an emergency.
- **ARRIVAL & DISMISSAL:** Arrival time to school is 8:20am. Dismissal time is 2:30pm. Students will not be permitted into the school building before or after these times, unless they are enrolled in after school.

Please look out for this newsletter weekly, and feel free to reach out to us with any questions or concerns.

Best Regards,

Carolyn Allston,
Principal