



**Week of**

**December 20, 2021**

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**D-Dec. 21**

PJ Day

**Upcoming dates**

**December 22-January 2** Winter Break

**January 3**

Classes resume

**Pembroke**

**Elementary School**

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As winter break approaches, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on the 2021 calendar year and thank you, the Pembroke community, for your continued support and encouragement. While we have experienced many, many transitions along the way, our goal of providing a safe, connected learning community for all has remained our top priority. Thank you for helping us create this for our children despite these challenging times. We look ahead to 2022 with joyful anticipation of all the love and kindness the new year will bring.

In the meantime, please have your child join us Tuesday for a school wide PJ day! Let this day be a symbol of the upcoming rest needed by all families as we celebrate the completion of this calendar year.

### **2nd - 5th Grade Parents!**

You can help your student practice for their upcoming music concert at home. Use the links below to sing along to the songs so we can have a FANTASTIC show in January. Thank you for your support!

~ Mrs. McDonald

**2nd-3rd Grade Concert:** [https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/e/2PACX-1vRb-exOiOCsc9mEjRVZZKF\\_olIGRfO5jnySqNBfEKrq9yQ8ZHdg1BRsrsYvuoxQCysE6TW4vO6MEWp/pub?start=false&loop=false&delayms=3000](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/e/2PACX-1vRb-exOiOCsc9mEjRVZZKF_olIGRfO5jnySqNBfEKrq9yQ8ZHdg1BRsrsYvuoxQCysE6TW4vO6MEWp/pub?start=false&loop=false&delayms=3000)

**4th-5th Grade Concert:** <https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/e/2PACX-1vS3c0jqxvpNxswSec24CMfYupsxKbcjOYQgnh0Mr1-gU2ynuykAMmrT5-rgFG-53O8DIIIw1GXGDELB/pub?start=false&loop=false&delayms=3000>

### **Strategic Plan**

BPS staff, parents and community members are invited to participate in our Strategic Plan work. In the coming months, BPS will issue a survey for feedback that will be shared with all stakeholders. At this time, we are soliciting volunteers interested in serving on the BPS Strategic Plan Committee. Please consider the commitment carefully, as full participation will be required to ensure equal representation of stakeholders and a quality strategic plan that will guide our district for the next five years. To be considered, please [complete this form](#), which includes more information from Superintendent Dr. Embekka Roberson. We will follow up with selected representatives following the Winter Break.

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## Counselor's Corner

I hope you and your family have a safe and warm winter break. We will look forward to seeing everyone back in 2022!

## Coping Skill of the Week

Try [this winter figure 8 breathing](#).

## Referral Process

Please fill out this [Counseling Referral Form](#) if your student wants to set up a meeting to talk with me. Once I receive your referral, I will coordinate with the teacher to set up a meeting with your kiddo. You may also fill out the same referral form if you would like to meet with me directly.

## Reporting Absences

Please report **EVERY** day your student is absent or tardy.

**School Absence Reporting Line:** (248) 203-3888 option #2

Report all absences and tardies each day your child is absent or tardy. Call the attendance phone line or email Barbara Fisher at [bfisher@birmingham.k12.mi.us](mailto:bfisher@birmingham.k12.mi.us)

For **extended absences**, (students out 5 or more days) please inform the office prior to the student's absence. Please complete the extended absence form prior to the absence.

## District News

### Day On, Day One: MLK Day of Service

#### Monday, January 17, 2022

9:00 a.m. – 11:00am

Groves High School

Join BPS and the BPS Community Councils for our annual Day of Service honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. **Day On, Day One 2022** will take place on Monday, Jan. 17, 2022 at Groves High School. This district-wide morning of service is an opportunity to make serving our community a habit! Students in grades K-12 and their families will pack buckets for Disaster Relief at Work (DRAW), make animal toys for a local shelter, assemble snack packages for those in need and help with other caring community projects.

This year, each BPS school community is collecting items to go into the DRAW cleaning buckets. You may purchase them through this Amazon wish list: [https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/30PU2A9VVBGFO?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/30PU2A9VVBGFO?ref=wl_share) . Also, there is a signup genius for DRAW, warming items, and Snack Pax. Please follow [this link](#). Items can be dropped off at Pembroke in the New Year.

Registration for this event is required ahead of time. Sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0f4cafa62da4fa7-2022>

### **Birmingham Education Foundation**

Please support the Birmingham Education Foundation in their Annual Fund Campaign by donating TODAY!

The mission of the BEF is to create exceptional education experiences by connecting innovative teachers with community support. Each year the BEF provides teacher grants for activities that directly impact your children. Visit [supportBEF.org](http://supportBEF.org) to learn more and to donate.

### **Openings in the GSRP preschool program!**

The BPS Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP), a preschool program, located at Bingham Farms, has available openings for children who are 4 years old. GSRP is a state-funded, grant program that is FREE for families who qualify. For more information, please contact Laura Tinsley, 248-203-5805, [LTinsley@birmingham.k12.mi.us](mailto:LTinsley@birmingham.k12.mi.us).

### **BPS Saturday School: 9 – 11 am**

The BPS Saturday School is back again this year and running virtually throughout the 2021-2022 school year. The BPS Saturday School provides free tutoring for BPS students grades K – 12 who need help in any grade level and in any academic area. Our BPS staff that serve as coordinators and their National Honor Society volunteer tutors are looking forward to working with students in need of tutoring on Saturdays from 9 am – 11 am each week (see official dates below). **All K-12 BPS students** are welcome to receive this free tutoring opportunity for ALL subject areas.

### **How to Join Saturday School**

To join Saturday School, please click on the following Zoom link:

Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2047672482?pwd=T3pVU1REUXZTN09NM1MvSSsrVTJiZz09>

### **Saturday School sessions for the 2021-2022 school year:**

**January:** 8, 22, 29

**February:** 5, 12, 19

**March:** 5, 12, 19

**April:** 9, 23, 30

**May:** 7, 14, 21

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