

Welcome to Beal Early Childhood Center

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1. A note from the Principal

Tonight the Beal School Council will begin its work at the All Schools Joint Council Meeting at Shrewsbury High School. The Beal School Council will meet regularly throughout the year to review, implement, and assess Beal's School Improvement Plan. This is a two year plan that runs from 2015-2017 in accordance with our [District Goals](#), and sets goals for students, staff, and the community to continuously improve learning at Beal. The Beal School Council will spend much of its work later this spring developing new sets of goals beyond 2017. Beal School Council Meetings occur monthly on Thursday afternoons from 3:45-4:30 p.m. These meetings are open to the public and I will provide advanced notice through these weekly communications. I invite you to join our meetings and support the ongoing growth of Beal Early Childhood Center.

Sincerely,

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2. Pajama Movie Night

Please join us on Friday, October 21st or Friday, October 28th for Beal's Annual Pajama Movie Nights. This PTO sponsored event will be showing *Zootopia* in the Beal Gymnasium beginning at 6:00 p.m. Families can choose ONE date to attend, so that we can accommodate all children! Children are encouraged to wear pajamas and bring blankets or sleeping bags! Suggested donation of

\$5/family will be gratefully accepted at the door. Snacks and drinks will be available for purchase! To reserve your spot please register through Sign Up Genius. Below is the link:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0e44ada72aabfc1-pajama>

3. Holiday celebrations at Beal- Halloween

Beal appreciates all holidays and understands their significance in building culture within our community. Please note that we do not celebrate Halloween during the school day. Please do not send your children to school in costumes or make-up, and please do not send candy and treats to be shared at school. Beal PTO will do a candy drive following Halloween to support our veterans.

4. Parent pick-up

Our goal is to have the safest, timeliest, and most equitable dismissal procedure, and appreciate your attention to updates throughout the school year. Please do not park your vehicle and walk up to collect your child. We ask that you join the pick-up line and our staff will deliver your child to the car. Also, please be mindful not to block the driveways along Wesleyan Street. Our relationships with our neighbors is important and they require access to and from their property. Also, in an attempt to keep the line moving as quickly and safely as possible, please have your child's name posted clearly in the front window and be prepared to buckle your child in if they cannot do so themselves.

5. News From the Nurse

A few different thoughts as we approach the change of season. Thanks to so many of you for remembering to send a change of clothes in your child's backpack. It has been so helpful. This is a good time to switch over from shorts to jeans in the bag to prepare for the unavoidable cold weather.* I have been monitoring our overflowing LOST and FOUND crate trying to return items that are labeled. Unfortunately 99% of the sweaters and sweatshirts have no names in them. Please take a minute and write your child's name on the tag. You spent good money on these items and they need to find their way back home. Our LOST and FOUND is located in the front lobby. If you know you are missing something, have your child ask for permission to look through our ample supply of unclaimed items.* For those of you whose children have not yet been for their 2016 well visit, please remember to send me a copy of that exam when it is done. This will bring their health record up to date. After kindergarten, we do not require an updated physical exam until grade four.~Jill Wensky, Beal Nurse508-841-8870

6. Important dates

Tuesday, October 18th- Beal PTO Meeting- 6:30 p.m. in the Beal Gymnasium

(child care provided)

Tuesday, November 8th- **No school**- Parent Conferences/ Election Day

Friday, November 11th- Veteran's Day- **No school**

Tuesday, November 15th- Beal PTO Meeting- 6:30 p.m. in the Beal Gymnasium
(child care provided)

Wednesday, November 23-Friday, November 25- Thanksgiving Break- **No school**

Tuesday, December 6th- Early Release Day for staff professional development

Monday, December 26th-Monday, January 2nd- December Vacation- **No school**