

## **Welcome to Beal Early Childhood Center**

### **News on the Beal Front:**

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#### A note from the Principal

We have reached that point in the fall when the temperatures fluctuate considerably from day to day; hard freezes and snow one day and seventy degree temps the next. At Beal, these weather changes are transforming our learning environments inside and outside of the classrooms allowing us to educate our children about the season. Teachers are creating learning experiences that make fall meaningful and students are producing high quality work that brings our the season to life. Outside of the classroom, we will continue to take the student outside as long as weather isn't severe, which takes into account the temperature, wind chill, and precipitation. It is important that students continue to get exercise and have an opportunity to play. We also use this time to teach them to be respectful, responsible, and safe in the colder elements and train them to be independent with getting themselves dressed for the weather. We ask that you continue to send students in each day with layered clothing, and pulling hats, gloves/mittens, warm coats, and eventually snow pants and boots out of the closet. It was great to see so many families at the Beal Pajama Movie Night this past Friday evening. It was a great event and students seemed very excited to put on their PJ's and watch a movie with their friends. The second Pajama Movie Night is this upcoming Friday night.

Sincerely,

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### Coins for Construction

The Shrewsbury PTO's are gearing up to support the construction of the new library. Today, tomorrow, and Wednesday the PTO will be holding a coin drive to support the cost of constructing the new Shrewsbury Public Library. Please see the attached flier for more details.

3. PTO Meeting on Tuesday, October 20th There is a PTO Meeting scheduled for tomorrow, Tuesday, October 20th at 6:30 p.m. in the Beal Gym. Child care will be provided.

4. Holiday celebrations at Beal- Halloween Beal appreciates all holidays and understands their significance in building culture within our community, but 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.

5. Parent Teacher Conferences Most parent conferences will be held on **Tuesday, November 3rd**, which is a "No School" day for students. Childcare will be available in the cafeteria for school-aged children, for the duration of your conference(s) from 8:45am and 3:30pm. We're looking forward to sharing your child's progress with you as well as continuing to foster a partnership with home/school to support your child's academic, emotional, and social growth. If you haven't done so already, please be in touch with your child's teacher to schedule a conference.

6. News From the Nurse I notice many of my friends who come to visit in the morning with a stomachache will state they did not eat before coming to school, often saying they were "running late" and didn't have time. I stress with them that they need to eat something, that breakfast is their "fuel" to be good learners at school. We all have crazy mornings and I suggest on those days, even a breakfast bar, in the car, on the way to drop off or while waiting at the bus stop, will help. Of course, because of the risk of exposure to children with life threatening food allergies, Eating on the bus is not allowed under any circumstances.~

Jill Wensky, Beal Nurse

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## 7. Upcoming dates and events

Tuesday, October 20th- Beal PTO Meeting- 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Beal Gym

Friday, October 16th and Friday, October 23rd- Beal Pajama Movie Nights- 6:30 p.m. in the Beal Gym

Tuesday, November 3rd- No school- Parent Conferences Wednesday,

Wednesday November 11th- Veteran's Day- No School

Wednesday, November 25-Friday, November 27- Thanksgiving Break- No School

Tuesday, December 8th- Early Release Day for staff professional development

Thursday, December 24th-Friday,

January 1st- December Vacation- No School

Please contact me if you have any questions, comments, or concerns. Have a great week!