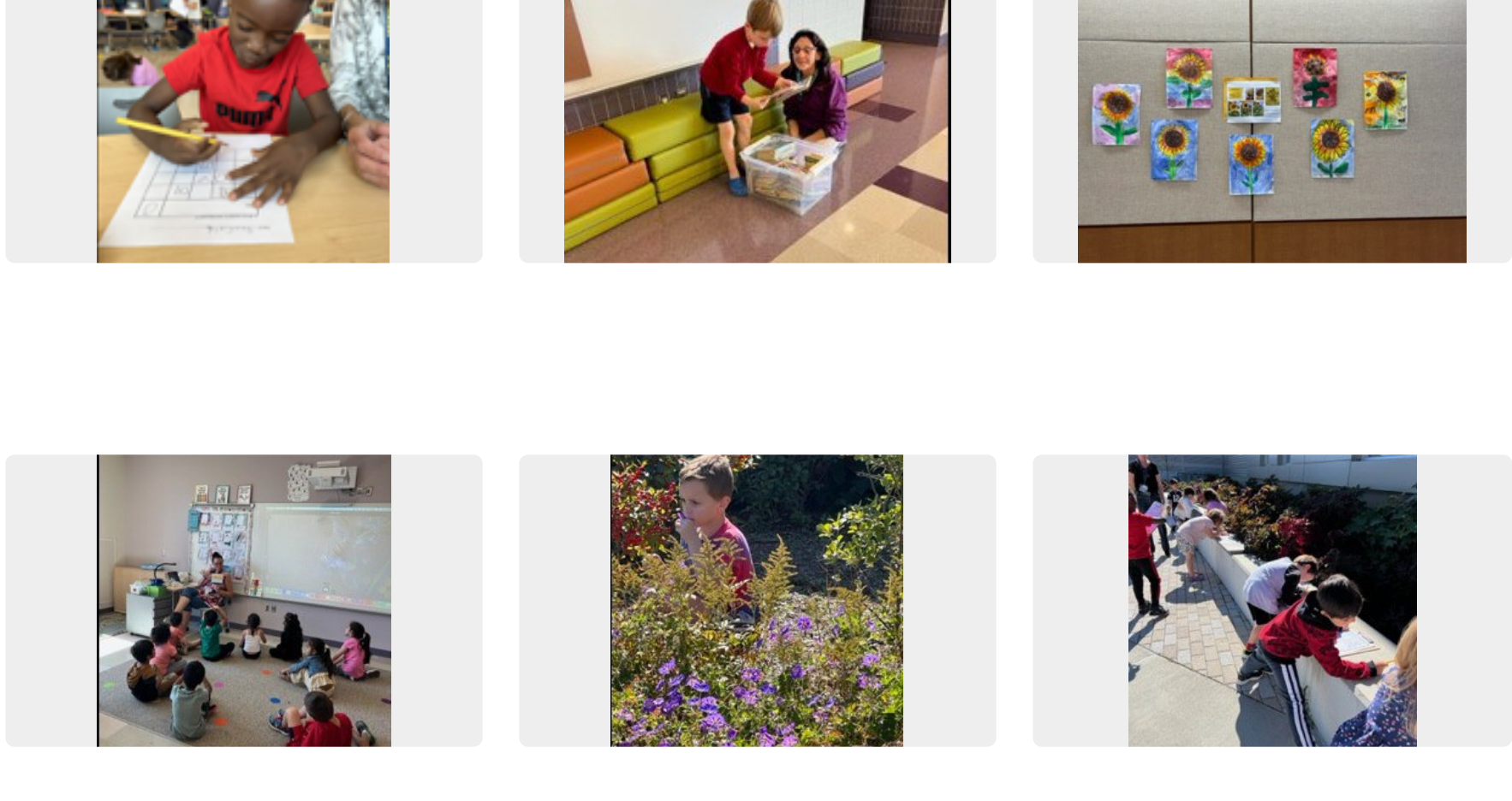


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# THE BEAL BULLETIN

October 8, 2023

## Beal Highlights



## A Message from the Principals


Dear Beal Families,  
 October is Kindness month. Are you looking to do something at home to celebrate Kindness month? Consider random acts of kindness. [52Lives School of Kindness](#) has lots of great ideas.

Students will continue to focus on self-awareness and social awareness this month. Social awareness is the ability to take the perspective of and empathize with others. To reinforce social awareness at home, ask your child: *how do you think \_\_\_ felt when you said or did \_\_\_? Or, how would you feel if someone said/did \_\_\_ to you?*

Please continue reading the Beal Bulletin for some important information. If you need assistance during at any point during the school year, please call our main office at (508) 841-8860.


Sincerely,  
 Kristen Gasper and Shelley Hoey

## Panorama Surveys


 Our district uses surveys from [Panorama](#), an education and technology company, to get feedback from students about topics related to Social Emotional Learning (SEL) and Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI), and Belonging. We will administer this survey to all students in Grades 3-12 beginning October 23rd. For further information, please read [this district communication](#).

We want to get feedback from as many students as possible. However, if you don't want your child(ren) to participate, you may opt your child out of the survey. Students whose families opt them out will not participate in the survey. To opt your student(s) out of the Panorama survey, please send an email to [surveyoptout@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us](mailto:surveyoptout@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us). Opt out emails must be received no later than Monday, October 16th.

## Fire Safety

 We are excited to have Shrewsbury Fire Department visit us on Monday, October 16th to discuss fire safety with our students.

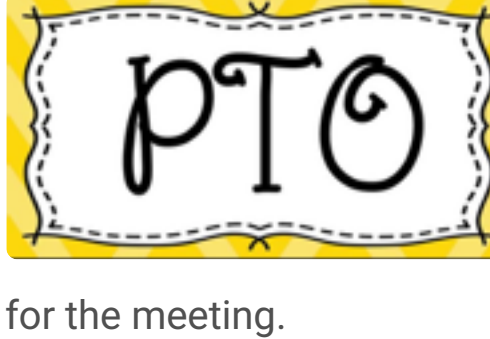
## Important Dates

 Please mark your calendars with these important dates.


- Monday, October 9, 2023- No School- Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples' Day
- Tuesday, October 10, 2023- PTO Meeting, 6:30 pm, Beal Library
- Wednesday, October 11, 2023- Picture Retakes
- Monday, October 16, 2023- Fire Safety Presentation, SFD
- Monday, October 16- Friday, October 20, 2023- PTO Book Fair
- Friday, October 27, 2023- All School Meeting
- Friday, November 3 2023- PTO Beal Bop Dance-a-thon
- Thursday, November 9, 2023- Parent Conference Day, No School for Students
- Friday, November 10, 2023- No School- Veteran's Day
- Friday, December 1, 2023- All School Meeting

[Shrewsbury Public Schools Calendar 2023-2024](#)


## Notes from the Beal PTO

 Please join our PTO meeting this Tuesday October 10th at 6:30 pm in the media center and on [Zoom](#). Here are our [minutes](#) from our last meeting as well as our [agenda](#) for this meeting. Please join us to share your input for activities this year and learn about opportunities to volunteer. Unfortunately, we do not have childcare for the meeting.

### 2023 Fall Scholastic Book Fair Volunteers

 Our Scholastic Book Fair is next week and we are still in need of volunteers to help to run the event. This is a great way to interact with students and promote literacy! Please sign up here to [Volunteer at the Book Fair](#). The fair will be open from Monday, October 16th to Tuesday, October 24th and will include a family shopping afternoon on Saturday, October 21st. Keep an eye out for the Scholastic Book Fair flier coming home this week!


### Beal Fall Festival

 Join us for a "Weeding and Reading" party on Saturday, **October 21st from 2-5pm** at Beal.


Come to have fun with other Beal families, shop the book fair and help weed Beal's overgrown gardens! Please sign up to indicate when you can garden - no experience necessary! [Oct 21st Weeding Participant](#).

All students who participate in garden care will receive a free bag of popcorn!


### Cafeteria Volunteers

 Our students in Kindergarten and 1st Grade continue to need a little extra support to set up their lunches. Help from families would be greatly appreciated! Please see the following link for details: [2023 Fall Cafeteria Volunteers](#) and don't forget to get your CORI check in order before coming in.

## Child Safe Procedures

 If your child is going to be absent or late to school, we require that you telephone us either the night before or first thing in the morning on the day of the absence at (508) 841-8860. The answering machine for our child-safe procedure is on 24 hours a day. If we have not received a call to report an absence, the school will be in contact with the parent or emergency contact to confirm the child's safety. Please help our busy office staff by always calling us when your child will be absent or tardy.

## Safety Tip Line

 This anonymous form can be used to submit information that may be helpful in ensuring the safety of students, faculty, and property of the Shrewsbury Public Schools in Shrewsbury, Massachusetts.

This form creates an electronic email alert to several staff members of the Shrewsbury Public Schools. It does not go to the Shrewsbury Police Department.

Staff email alerts are generally monitored Monday through Friday during business hours of 8am to 4:30pm.


If the information you have is TIME SENSITIVE, please call 911 for assistance.

If you wish to speak to a representative from the Shrewsbury Police Department and your concern is not urgent you can reach them 24/7 by calling 508-841-8577.

## Lunch Menu

**October Lunch Menu**

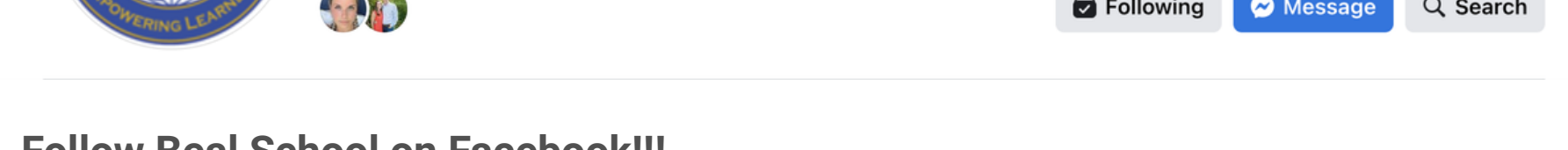
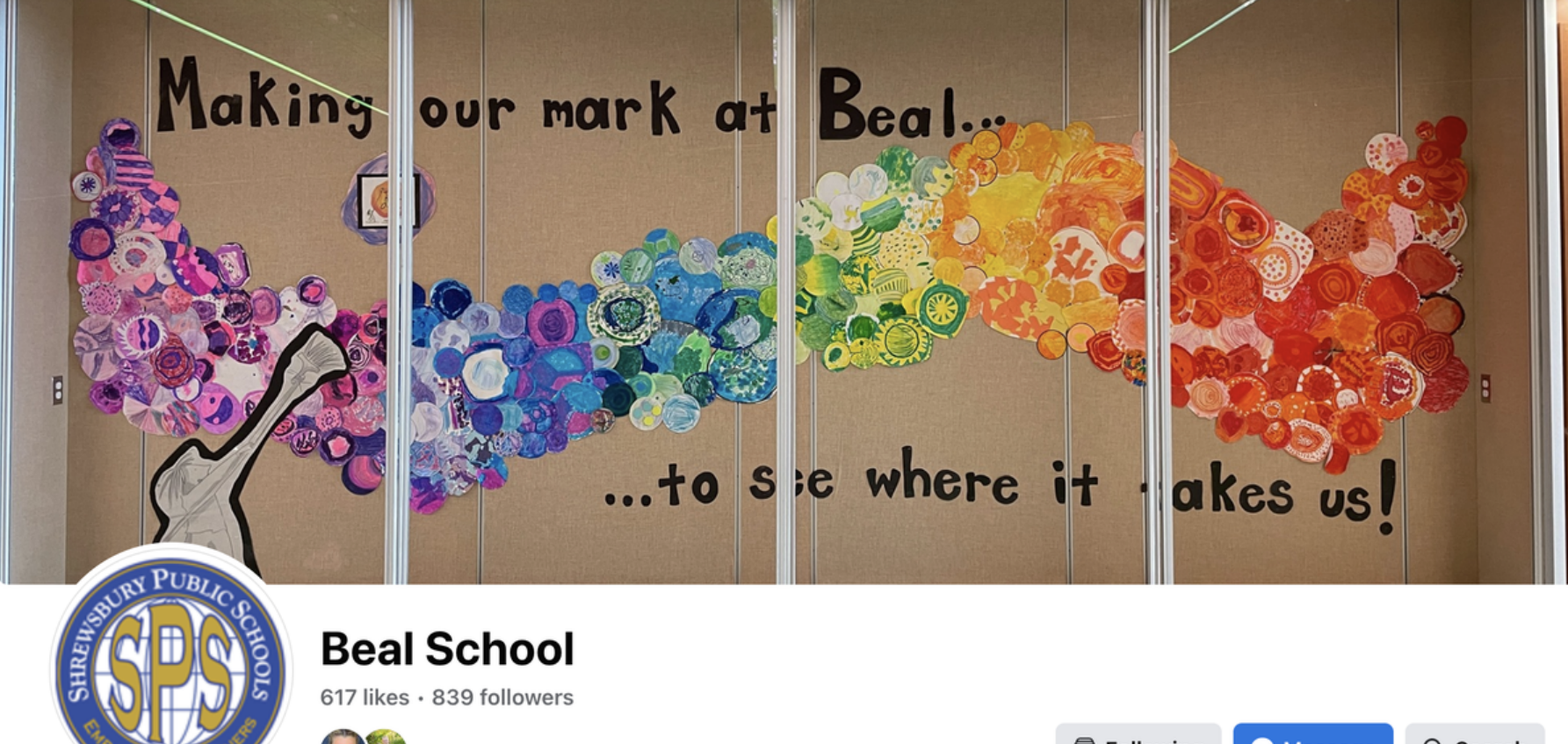
## Frequently Used Numbers

 Main Office- (508) 841-8860  
 School Fax- (508) 841-8862  
 School Nurses- (508) 841-8870  
 Nurses Fax- (508) 841-1535  
 Extended Day- (508) 841-8861

## Beal School Swag

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**Beal School**  
 617 likes · 839 followers

Follow Beal School on Facebook!!!

Please join our Beal School Facebook pages for your social media lens on what is happening at Beal School.

[Beal School Facebook page](#)

Our wonderful PTO also has a Facebook page geared towards supporting families and community. Please find their information here:

[Beal school PTO Facebook page](#)

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