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THE BEAL BULLETIN

November 19, 2023

Beal Highlights



A Message from the Principals

Dear Beal Families,

This past week was a busy one with Foundations, science experiments, read alouds, and much more! This week and next, we will continue to focus on the character trait for November: Gratitude. Ask your child what it means to be grateful and what they are grateful for. Consider reading the following books with your child: *Those Shoes* by Maribeth Boelts, *A Chair for My Mother* by Vera Williams, *The Thankful Book* by Todd Parr, *The Giving Tree* by Shel Silverstein, or *The Most Thankful Thing* by Lisa McCourt.

There will not be a Beal Bulletin on Sunday, November 26th as we will be spending time with our family for the Thanksgiving holiday. The next Beal Bulletin will be sent out Sunday, December 3, 2023. We hope that you are able to spend time with your family and friends over the long weekend. To those who celebrate Thanksgiving, we hope that your day is filled with reasons to be grateful.

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

Destination Imagination



Welcome to a new season of [Destination Imagination](#) at Shrewsbury Public Schools! All Shrewsbury Public Schools students in grades K-12 are eligible to join a team and there is no cost to participate. Registration for students and teams are open until December 1st. We hope you can join us to kick off the 2023-24 Destination Imagination Season! If you have any questions about the program, contact Rajani Vijayakumar (rvijayakumar@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us)

It Takes A Village



One wonderful thing about Shrewsbury is the support that we give each other when times are difficult. If you are having difficulty obtaining warm winter clothes, food for the holidays, or any need that your family may have, please reach out to our School Adjustment Counselor, Carly Kadlik by email at ckadlik@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us or by telephone at (508) 841-8478. The information you share is completely confidential.

Season of Gratitude and Giving



During this season of gratitude and giving, Shrewsbury Public Schools (SPS) is seeking donations of the gift cards listed below (denominations of \$50 or less, please) to provide support to SPS families in need. In addition to the giving opportunities currently underway at individual schools across the district, we invite community members to contribute to this fund to further these efforts and support our students and families.

- Uber
- Visa
- Mastercard
- Target
- Walmart
- Gas cards
- Amazon
- Grocery Stores:
 - Market Basket
 - Price Chopper
 - Shaw's
 - Stop & Shop
 - Wegmans
 - Aldi's

Gift card donations can be dropped off to the school secretary in the main office at your child's school by Friday, December 8th. Community members who do not have children in our schools are invited to bring donations to the Shrewsbury School Department Office at the Shrewsbury Town Hall, 100 Maple Avenue.

Finally, we invite parents and caretakers to let us know if your children and family are in need of support and ask that you please complete [this brief form](#) by Friday, December 1st. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Felicitie Boisvert, Shrewsbury Public Schools District Social Worker at fboisvert@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us or 508-841-5303.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Early Release Day



Tuesday, December 5th is our first early release day across the district. Beal students will be dismissed beginning at 12:30 pm. Please anticipate your child's dismissal routine to run three hours earlier than a typical day, and please allow a little extra time for buses given midday traffic patterns. Please do send a snack in as lunches are not being served during their typical times at school.

Important Dates



- Please mark your calendars with these important dates.
- Wednesday, November 22- Friday, November 24, 2023- No School- Thanksgiving Break
 - Friday, December 1, 2023- All School Meeting
 - Tuesday, December 5, 2023- 1/2 Day of School- Professional Development Day
 - Wednesday, December 6, 2023- Beal Community Night at Buffalo Wild Wings
 - Tuesday, December 12, 2023- Staff Appreciation Cookie Swap
 - Tuesday, December 12, 2023- PTO Meeting, 6:30 pm- Beal Library
 - Saturday, December 16, 2023- PTO Sponsored Movie Night
 - Monday, December 25, 2023- Monday, January 1, 2024- No School- December Break

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

Notes from the Beal PTO



- Get ready to mark your calendars - we have some great events coming up in December:
- Beal Community Night - Buffalo Wild Wings 12/06/23
 - PTO meeting 12/12/23
 - Staff Appreciation Cookie Swap - 12/12/23
 - Movie Night: 12/16/23

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



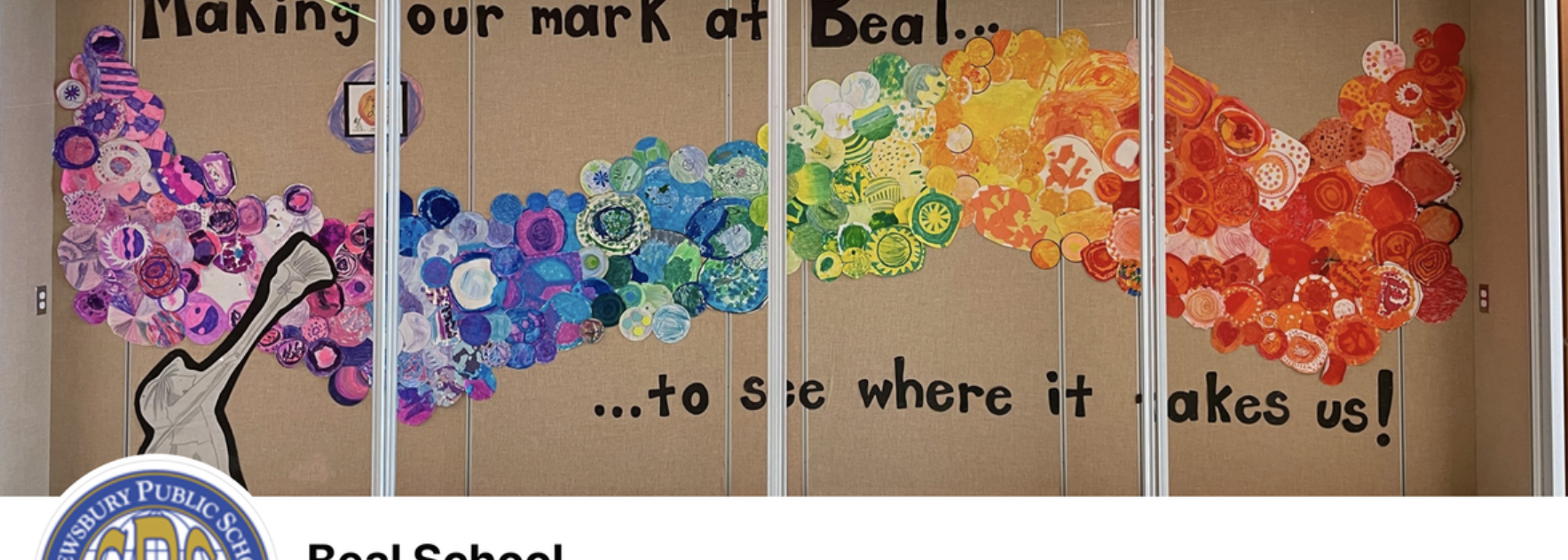
Frequently Used Numbers



- 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

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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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