

# The Broad Street Family Newsletter

August/September 2023



## The Principal's News

Welcome back! We are thrilled to have the kids back at school and look forward to an exciting, productive school year.

I can't wait for you to meet our new staff members!

Laureen Johnson, School Nurse

Noelle McMeans, First Grade Teacher

Peter Telios, Art

Halley Barham, Paraeducator

Kiara Francis, Paraeducator

Lori Thomas, Psychology Intern

### Important Dates:

- **Aug 29**-First Day of School
- **Aug 29 & 30**- Kindergarten Screening (assigned times)
- **Aug 31**-Kindergarten Meet and Greet (9:00AM)
- **Sep 1**-No School
- **Sep 4**-Labor Day-**No School**
- **Sep 5**-First day K students A-M (8:00-2:40)
- **Sep 6**- First day K students N-Z (8:00-2:40)
- **Sep 7**-All Kindergarten students attend
- **Sep 12**- No School
- **Sep 14**-Picture day
- **Sep 20**-Open House (Grades K-5)  
**K-2** 5:30PM-6:00PM  
**3-5** 6:10PM-6:40PM

At Broad Street, we are committed to the success of every child. We acknowledge the uneven playing field that exists for many students. We have students who are English language learners, students with special needs, students with trauma in their background, students who live in poverty, and students who face unconscious biases about their capacity. Our teachers will get to know your student, learn who they are as a child and learner, have high expectations and help them reach their potential. We work hard to help the children learn patience and to learn from their mistakes in a safe environment. We try to teach the students to persevere and help them understand it is not how many times they fall that is important; it's that they keep getting up! We will also help your student understand what it means to be a safe, responsible, and respectful member of our community!

We can't do all this without your help! A strong partnership is needed to reach our common goal: helping your child get the best education possible. I encourage each of you to be engaged in your child's education. Ask about their day, go through their backpack, help them with homework, participate in school events, and join the PTO! If you have questions or concerns, call the school, email the teacher, or reach out to me!

Back to school is an exciting time and we look forward to seeing you on September 20th at Open House. I look forward to meeting you for the first time or seeing you again!

Sincerely,

John Forrest, Principal

[forresti@nashua.edu](mailto:forresti@nashua.edu)

### **Important Reminders:**

Students should arrive at school (walking, or by car) between 8:00 and 8:15 AM.

**No student should arrive earlier than 8:00AM** unless they are participating in the Breakfast Program, as there is **no adult supervision**.

### **For Your Child's Safety Please Report your child's absences.**

Please call (603) 966-1880 on our phone line from 3:30 PM to 7:30AM, there is a voicemail option if you call before/after hours. If your child is going to be absent, please give us a call. If we do not hear from you, you will receive a call from us and Blackboard Connect, an automated messaging system. This system calls your home phone so it's very important to call your child in or check your home messages. Remember this is for your child's safety.

### **Afterschool procedures – Written notes**

If your child will be deviating from their normal after school procedure, please send a note to the teacher that morning. We appreciate a written note rather than a phone call to ensure that we are keeping your child safe by following your family plans. Thank you!

### **Student Handbook-**

The elementary student handbook contains a wealth of information about our schools in such areas as health, discipline, transportation, attendance, and the school calendar.

The handbook is available on the district website at [www.nashua.edu](http://www.nashua.edu) You can also find a link to the Broad Street page here, too.

## **The Nurse's News**

Welcome Back!!

As the new school year begins, please send in any updated Health information that you have on your child so that I may update their school health record.

A few reminders –

- Please do not send your child to school if they have a fever of 100 degrees or greater. They need to be “fever free” for 24 hours WITHOUT any medication prior to returning to school.
- With the ever-changing weather it is a good idea to send your child to school with layers.
- Proper footwear is essential for playground safety. **Please do not send your child to school in flip flops.** If they are wearing flip flops their activities on the playground will be limited.

As always, please feel free to call or email me with any questions or concerns at:

[Johnsonl@nashua.edu](mailto:Johnsonl@nashua.edu)

**Laureen Johnson, RN**  
**(603) 966-1885**

## **PTO News**

Welcome Back Broad St. Families!

Your PTO is so excited for this new school to begin! We have tons of exciting events planned for our students and their families! Keep an eye out for your PTO Welcome Packet to come home in your child's folder.

This year we are the most excited to announce what we will be fundraising for....a new SWING SET!! This will be a big endeavor for us, so we hope we can get as many helpers/volunteers throughout the year to support the PTO and the events. Watch out in your email for a survey to let us know which events you will interested in helping the PTO with.

If you are new to Broad St., look us up on Facebook by scanning the QR below. We will be joining the Instagram community soon, more information to come. Any other questions, email us at [broadstpto390@gmail.com](mailto:broadstpto390@gmail.com).

