The Broad Street Family Newsletter

August/September 2024



Important Dates:

- Aug 27-First Day of School
- Aug 27 & 28-Kindergarten Screening (assigned times)
- Aug 29-Kindergarten Meet and Greet (9:00AM)
- Aug 30-No School
- Sep 2-Labor Day-No School
- Sep 3-First day K students A-M (8:00-2:40)
- Sep 4- First day K students N-Z (8:00-2:40)
- Sep 5-All Kindergarten students attend
- Sep 10- No School
- Sep 12-Picture day
- Sep 18-Open House (Grades K-5)
 K-2 5:30PM-6:00PM
 3-5 6:10PM-6:40PM

The Principal's News

Welcome back!

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

At Broad Street, we are deeply committed to the success of every child. We recognize that some students face challenges that can make the learning journey more difficult. We serve English language learners, students with special needs, students impacted by trauma, those living in poverty, and students who face unconscious biases about their potential.

Our teachers are dedicated to getting to know your student, understanding who they are both as individuals and as learners. We set high expectations and work tirelessly to help them reach their full potential. We create a safe environment where children can learn patience, grow from their mistakes, and develop the perseverance to keep trying—because it's not about how many times they fall, but that they always get back up. We also focus on teaching students to be safe, responsible, and respectful members of our community!

Of course, we can't do all of this without your help! A strong partnership between school and home is essential for your child's success. We encourage you to stay engaged in your child's education: ask about their day, check their backpack, support them with homework, attend school events, and get involved with the PTO! If you have any questions or concerns, don't hesitate to call the school, email your child's teacher, or reach out to me directly.

Back-to-school season is such an exciting time, and we can't wait to see you at **Open House on September 18th**! Whether you're a returning family or joining us for the first time, I look forward to connecting with you soon!

Sincerely, John Forrest, Principal forrestj@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 Nashua School District's 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 School District's website at <u>www.nashua.edu</u> (which also has a link to the Broad St. website. The Broad St. website is full of useful info). Please familiarize yourself with the websites. Please contact the office if you have any questions

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:

<u>Johnsonl@nashua.edu</u> Laureen Johnson, RN (603) 966-1885

PTO News

Welcome to the new school year!!

Hopefully, you all had an amazing summer break with lots of rest, relaxation, and FUN! Your PTO got lots of those things, but also spent time prepping and planning for this new school year. Your child will be coming home with a PTO Welcome Packet the first week of school, so please keep an eye open for it! It will include a summary of events planned for the whole school year.

Last year we were able, with the help of all our families, to raise enough money to purchase and install a new swing set! This year we are looking to raise funds for large fans for the gymnasium to help keep it cool. Other ideas on fundraising goals are ALWAYS welcomed, so please join us at a meeting or two, or reach out to us through email at broadstreetpto390@gmail.com or through Facebook.

Our first PTO meeting will be on Tuesday, September 3 at 6:30pm in the staff lounge! We hope to see new and old faces and we hope you ALL have a great start to the new school year!



The PTO Board