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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

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Dear Parents,

Welcome to another school year! Our staff has been busy getting ready for our students. The school is clean and shiny and the classrooms are beautifully decorated. The only thing missing is our fantastic students!

A new school year is a wonderful time to begin new routines and make improvements from the year prior. East Broadway students are bright, energetic, and have a love of learning. It is our goal to help them to be the best they can be and to provide them with opportunities to shine in all aspects of school life. With your help, we know your children can achieve great things.

There are many ways in which you can help your child to succeed in school:

- Guide your child with his/her homework. Be sure it is complete and handed in daily.
- Check your child's planner/folder for important assignments and upcoming events.
- Attend PTA meetings and parent workshops to learn more about our school and ways to help your child.
- Study with your child before each exam.
- Review sight words and multiplication facts on a regular basis.
- Keep a copy of the monthly newsletter and calendar handy so you are "in the know."
- Check the East Broadway website for additional information.

A positive home/school connection, where schoolwork is considered important, is crucial to your child's academic success.

We are proud to welcome several new staff members to the East Broadway family. They are: Emily Levine, Speech, Christopher Pappas, Grade 4, Jennifer Clark, Psychologist, Mike Magni, Head Custodian, Laura D'Aquila, Grade 2, Katie Perpall, Teaching Assistant and Carol Ebanks, Secretary.

It is my pleasure to work with you and your children again. If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to call me. My very best wishes for a wonderful school year.

Yours in East Broadway Pride,

Jeanmarie Wink
Principal



A WORD FROM OUR ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Dear Families,

I sincerely hope that you all had a wonderful, relaxing and fun summer. I am so pleased to be back at East Broadway as your Assistant Principal for the 2019/2020 school year. I am excited to not only see a lot of familiar faces but welcome our new Kindergarten students as well.

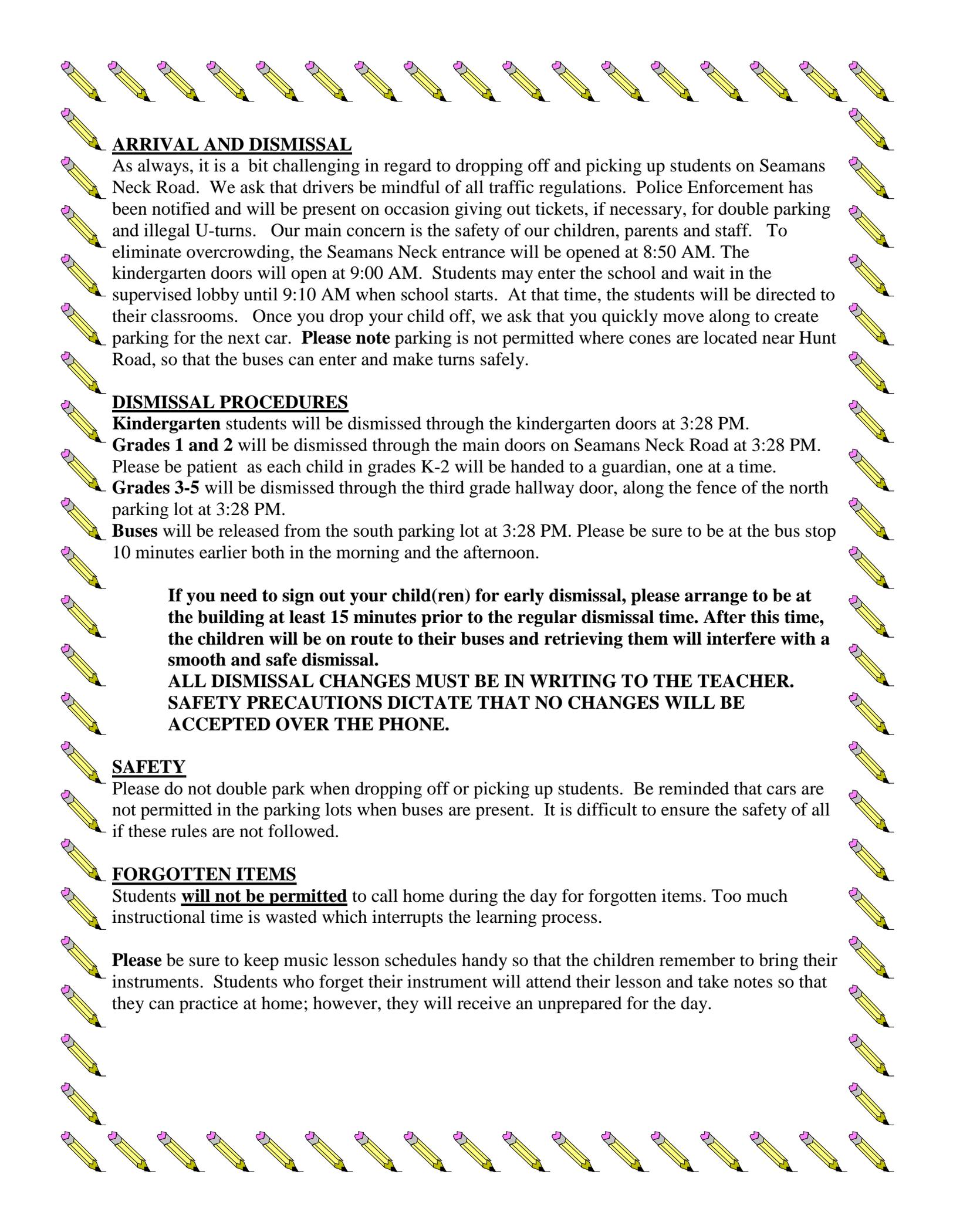
Each month during this school year, I am going to write a couple of paragraphs in the monthly newsletter and this month, at the beginning of this new school year, I wanted to take this opportunity to explain to you the role of an Assistant Principal in a school. If you were to compare our school to a business - the Principal is the CEO and responsible for the overall running of the school and instructional leader. The Assistant Principal is their number two - the Chief Operating Officer/Chief of Staff. It is my job to carry out the district and Mrs. Wink's vision for East Broadway as well as being an instructional leader. One of my roles is to evaluate teachers by observing lessons and provide actionable feedback by offering ideas and suggestions based on what I see happening in the classroom. Often, taking a helicopter view can give one a different perspective. Analyzing student performance data and facilitating meetings to examine particular areas that teachers need to focus on or strengthen is another part of my job. Data driven instruction is important to help facilitate student success.

At East Broadway, I am responsible for all safety, 504's, scheduling and discipline to name a few. A word on discipline - I subscribe to the philosophy of Positive Behavioral Intervention Support (PBIS.) When talking with students after an incident, I always have the students recognize what has happened, their role in it and what they will do differently the next time. Yes, there has to be a consequence sometimes, but it is as important to try and change behavior and awareness that actions have consequences. Finally, in Mrs. Wink's absence for any reason, I step into her shoes with overall responsibility for the school. I hope this has given you some insight into the role of an Assistant Principal and how I work hand in hand with Mrs. Wink in running our wonderful school. As an aside, Mrs. Wink and I talk daily about what has happened or what we have dealt with that particular day.

As we enter a new school year, I invite you to contact me with any questions or concerns that you have with your child and although I split my time between East Broadway and Abbey Lane schools, I will return your call or email as soon as possible.

Finally, please remember to order your spirit wear for this school year.

Mr. Milton Josephs
Assistant Principal
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ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL

As always, it is a bit challenging in regard to dropping off and picking up students on Seamans Neck Road. We ask that drivers be mindful of all traffic regulations. Police Enforcement has been notified and will be present on occasion giving out tickets, if necessary, for double parking and illegal U-turns. Our main concern is the safety of our children, parents and staff. To eliminate overcrowding, the Seamans Neck entrance will be opened at 8:50 AM. The kindergarten doors will open at 9:00 AM. Students may enter the school and wait in the supervised lobby until 9:10 AM when school starts. At that time, the students will be directed to their classrooms. Once you drop your child off, we ask that you quickly move along to create parking for the next car. **Please note** parking is not permitted where cones are located near Hunt Road, so that the buses can enter and make turns safely.

DISMISSAL PROCEDURES

Kindergarten students will be dismissed through the kindergarten doors at 3:28 PM.

Grades 1 and 2 will be dismissed through the main doors on Seamans Neck Road at 3:28 PM. Please be patient as each child in grades K-2 will be handed to a guardian, one at a time.

Grades 3-5 will be dismissed through the third grade hallway door, along the fence of the north parking lot at 3:28 PM.

Buses will be released from the south parking lot at 3:28 PM. Please be sure to be at the bus stop 10 minutes earlier both in the morning and the afternoon.

If you need to sign out your child(ren) for early dismissal, please arrange to be at the building at least 15 minutes prior to the regular dismissal time. After this time, the children will be on route to their buses and retrieving them will interfere with a smooth and safe dismissal.

**ALL DISMISSAL CHANGES MUST BE IN WRITING TO THE TEACHER.
SAFETY PRECAUTIONS DICTATE THAT NO CHANGES WILL BE
ACCEPTED OVER THE PHONE.**

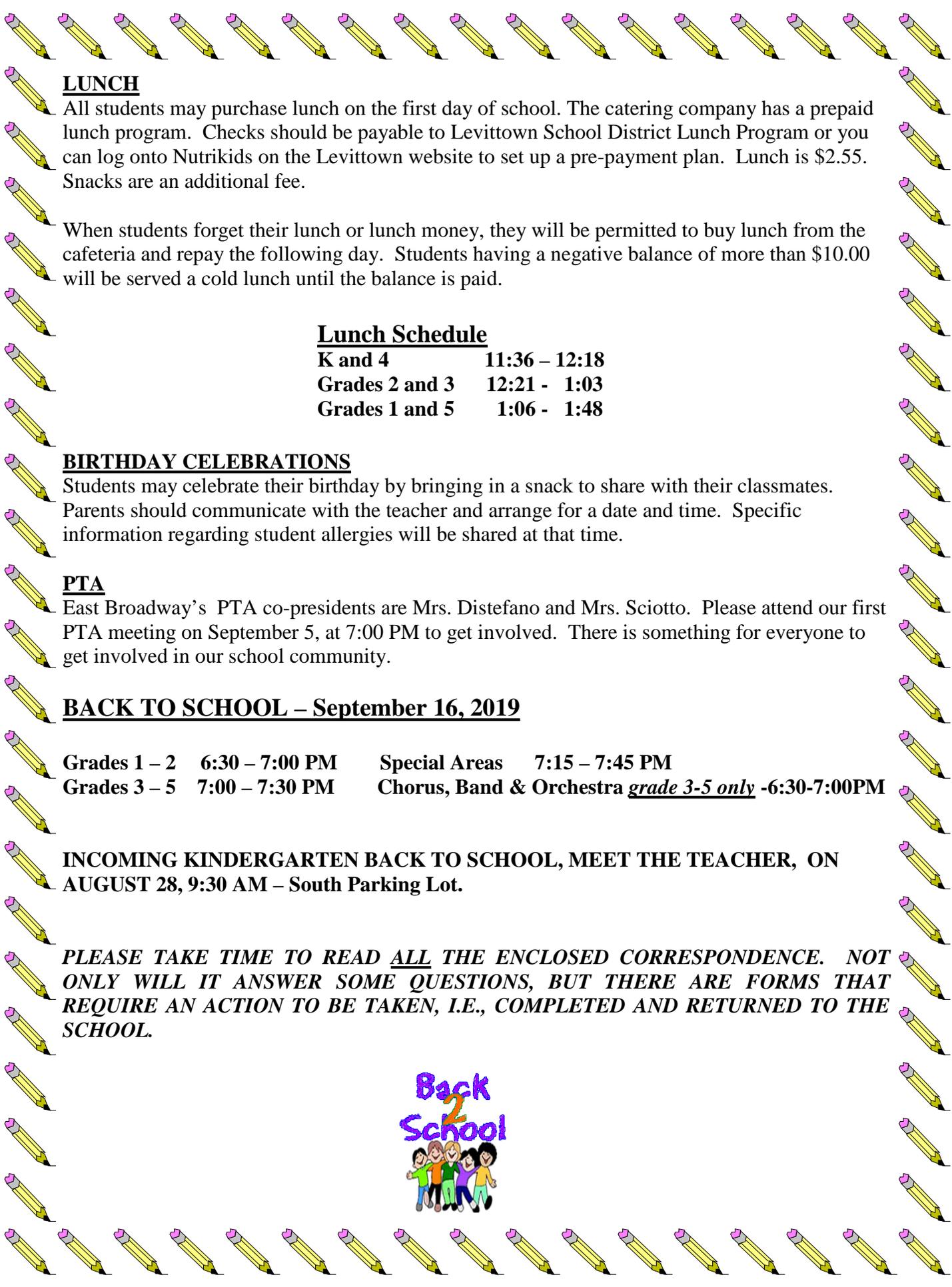
SAFETY

Please do not double park when dropping off or picking up students. Be reminded that cars are not permitted in the parking lots when buses are present. It is difficult to ensure the safety of all if these rules are not followed.

FORGOTTEN ITEMS

Students **will not be permitted** to call home during the day for forgotten items. Too much instructional time is wasted which interrupts the learning process.

Please be sure to keep music lesson schedules handy so that the children remember to bring their instruments. Students who forget their instrument will attend their lesson and take notes so that they can practice at home; however, they will receive an unprepared for the day.



LUNCH

All students may purchase lunch on the first day of school. The catering company has a prepaid lunch program. Checks should be payable to Levittown School District Lunch Program or you can log onto Nutrikids on the Levittown website to set up a pre-payment plan. Lunch is \$2.55. Snacks are an additional fee.

When students forget their lunch or lunch money, they will be permitted to buy lunch from the cafeteria and repay the following day. Students having a negative balance of more than \$10.00 will be served a cold lunch until the balance is paid.

Lunch Schedule

K and 4 **11:36 – 12:18**

Grades 2 and 3 **12:21 - 1:03**

Grades 1 and 5 **1:06 - 1:48**

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Students may celebrate their birthday by bringing in a snack to share with their classmates. Parents should communicate with the teacher and arrange for a date and time. Specific information regarding student allergies will be shared at that time.

PTA

East Broadway's PTA co-presidents are Mrs. Distefano and Mrs. Sciotto. Please attend our first PTA meeting on September 5, at 7:00 PM to get involved. There is something for everyone to get involved in our school community.

BACK TO SCHOOL – September 16, 2019

Grades 1 – 2 **6:30 – 7:00 PM**

Special Areas **7:15 – 7:45 PM**

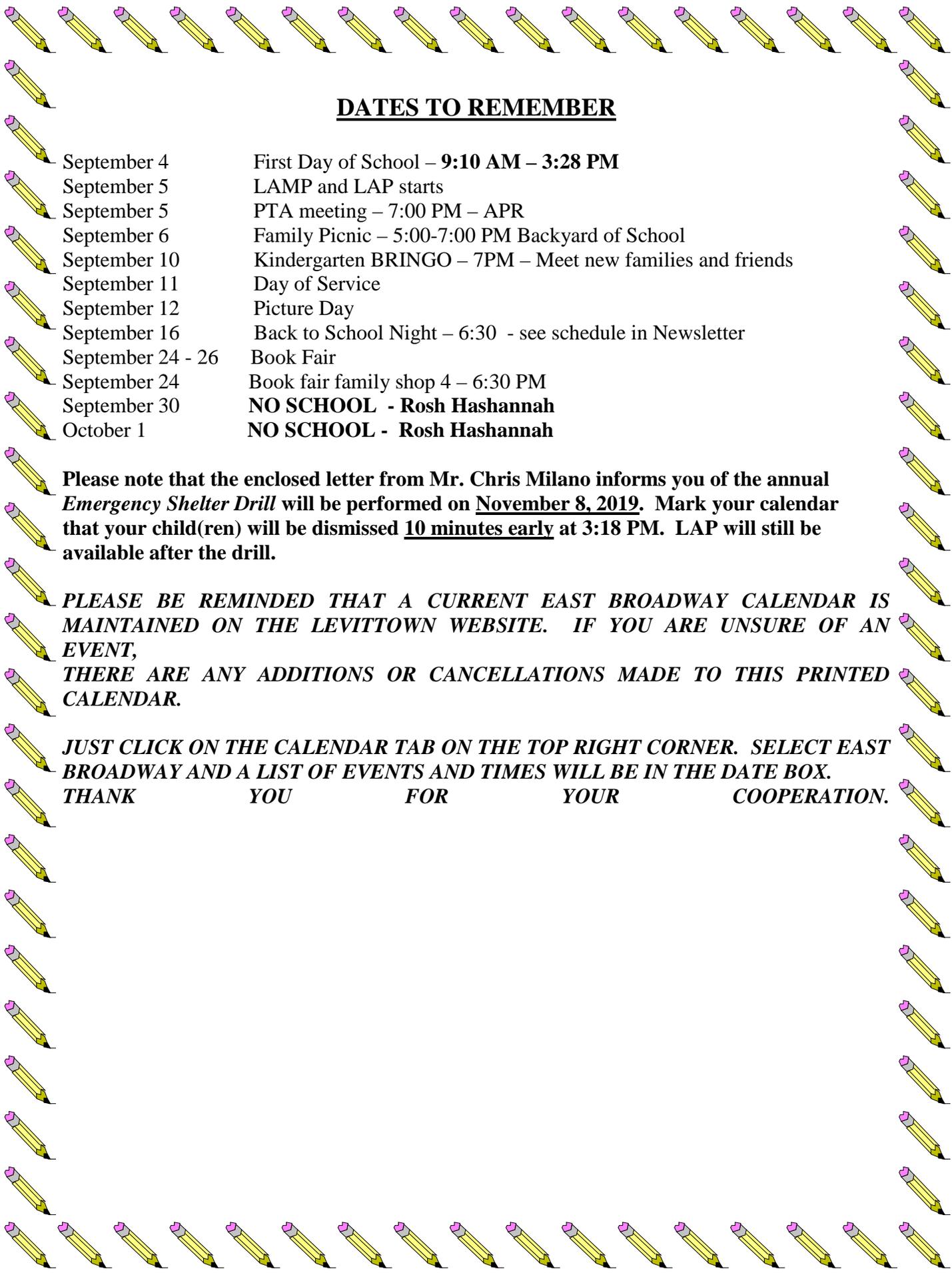
Grades 3 – 5 **7:00 – 7:30 PM**

Chorus, Band & Orchestra *grade 3-5 only* **-6:30-7:00PM**

INCOMING KINDERGARTEN BACK TO SCHOOL, MEET THE TEACHER, ON AUGUST 28, 9:30 AM – South Parking Lot.

PLEASE TAKE TIME TO READ ALL THE ENCLOSED CORRESPONDENCE. NOT ONLY WILL IT ANSWER SOME QUESTIONS, BUT THERE ARE FORMS THAT REQUIRE AN ACTION TO BE TAKEN, I.E., COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE SCHOOL.





DATES TO REMEMBER

September 4	First Day of School – 9:10 AM – 3:28 PM
September 5	LAMP and LAP starts
September 5	PTA meeting – 7:00 PM – APR
September 6	Family Picnic – 5:00-7:00 PM Backyard of School
September 10	Kindergarten BRINGO – 7PM – Meet new families and friends
September 11	Day of Service
September 12	Picture Day
September 16	Back to School Night – 6:30 - see schedule in Newsletter
September 24 - 26	Book Fair
September 24	Book fair family shop 4 – 6:30 PM
September 30	NO SCHOOL - Rosh Hashannah
October 1	NO SCHOOL - Rosh Hashannah

Please note that the enclosed letter from Mr. Chris Milano informs you of the annual *Emergency Shelter Drill* will be performed on November 8, 2019. Mark your calendar that your child(ren) will be dismissed 10 minutes early at 3:18 PM. LAP will still be available after the drill.

PLEASE BE REMINDED THAT A CURRENT EAST BROADWAY CALENDAR IS MAINTAINED ON THE LEVITTOWN WEBSITE. IF YOU ARE UNSURE OF AN EVENT, THERE ARE ANY ADDITIONS OR CANCELLATIONS MADE TO THIS PRINTED CALENDAR.

JUST CLICK ON THE CALENDAR TAB ON THE TOP RIGHT CORNER. SELECT EAST BROADWAY AND A LIST OF EVENTS AND TIMES WILL BE IN THE DATE BOX. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

