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"Carrying on a Proud Tradition of Learning"

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Dear Parents and Families,

Now that the temperature has dropped and it's officially Fall, we wanted to take the opportunity to inform you of the happenings in the school. We've had two very successful assemblies where the students were very well behaved. During the week of Oct 15, we are celebrating Red Ribbon Week where we focus on making responsible decisions as we mature as people. Keep in mind that the marking period is coming to a close in about 3 weeks. Please continue to help us monitor your child's grades and ensure, if you feel your child is in need of help or support, you reach out to teachers and/or counselors.

Calendar of Events:

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Notable Events. If the activity is underlined & in a different color, please click to obtain more specific information.

M-F	Oct 15-19	School Violence Awareness Week (Red Ribbon Week)
Mon	Oct 15	Violence Awareness Week Assembly...Chris Hollyfield
Tues	Oct 16 7-8:15pm	Family Night with Chris Hollyfield...Wedgwood Elementary School
Wed	Oct 17	Early Dismissal "Sexting", social media, and cyber safety presentation to 8 th graders only—Officer Egizi
Mon	Oct 22. 6:30pm	SEPAG Meeting
Wed	Oct 24	Staff In-service...No School
Wed	Oct 31	Picture Make Up Day

Wed	Oct 31	Halloween, PTO Fundraiser...Students may wear appropriate costumes. No masks or face paint for security reasons. Please check BHMS announcements for information.
Fri	Nov 2	Harvest Dance
Mon	Nov 5	End of First Marking Period
Th-F	Nov 7 & 8	Schools Closed NJEA Convention
Mon	Nov 12	Schools Closed Veterans Day Observed

Attention 8th grade Families...Officer Gary Egizi Presentation on “Sexting, Social Media, and Cyber Security” will be on October 17, 2018 during 2nd and 3rd periods for 8th graders

Officer Egizi of the Washington Township Police Department is going to each middle school to discuss with all 8th grade students the perils of Sexting and Inappropriate Exchanges over Social Media. This is a growing concern among our nation’s youth as the teens do not recognize the ramifications of poor social media etiquette and how it becomes a permanent record. Officer Egizi will attempt to raise awareness on this topic and encourage the students to seek responsible decision making when it comes to social media. If you have any concerns with the topic of his presentation, please let the school know. Please go to our SLEO Officer Hamilton’s Web Page at this link: [Officer Hamilton](#)

Scroll to the bottom to see Officer Egizi’s Presentation.

Attention 6th Grade Families...IMMUNIZATIONS NEED TO BE ON FILE FOR YOUR CHILD

Some families have not provided a record of required immunizations to the school. This is very important. Please see this link: [Immunizations Requirements](#)

It outlines the state rules for immunizations that EVERY 6th grader must have. For all 6th graders who have not provided a record of their immunizations, a letter was given to your child and a letter will be mailed home. If you received this letter and your child does not obtain his or her immunizations, the school and district is required by state mandate to EXCLUDE THE STUDENT FROM SCHOOL UNTIL THE IMMUNIZATIONS ARE OBTAINED. We are giving until November 6 to fulfill this requirement. After November 6, any 6th grade who does not have up to date immunizations will not be permitted at school. We apologize if this is an inconvenience, but it is a mandate in New Jersey.

Strategic Plan Climate Survey Permission Form

Based on the recommendations outline in the district Strategic Plan, families and students are asked to complete a climate and culture survey. The survey was sent by Central Office last week. If you did not

receive the email, Please go to this link: [Climate and Culture Survey](#). Print it out, complete it, and have your child return it to Bunker Hill.

Winter Sports (Basketball/Wrestling)

Basketball and Wrestling are starting soon. As noticed above in the link for basket ball, there is a basketball interest meeting on October 4 after school. The coaches will discuss tryout and schedules. The wrestling interest meeting will occur at a later date. For information on Boys Basketball, contact Jim Gooding (jgooding@gatewayhs.com), Girls Basketball, contact Lisa Bramante (lbramante@wtps.org), Wrestling, contact Joe Downey (jdowney@wtps.org).

If you intend to do a winter sport, you MUST have a current 2018-19 physical approved by your child's physician, our school nurse, and the school's physician. It is important to get the physicals in by November as the first practices start the Monday after Thanksgiving. For information on the physicals, click on this link: [physicals](#)

Red Ribbon Week Activities

- Oct 15...Chris Holyfield Bullying Prevention Assembly
- Oct 16...Twp Tuesday...Wear BHMS Colors
- Oct 17...Team Day...Wear your favorite sports team apparel
- Oct 18...Put a Cap on It! Wear your Favorite Hat
- Oct 19...Red Out...Wear as much red as you can

Unified Classroom in Powerschool

If you still are unsure about the Unified Classroom or need some more assistance, please consult the following link on the Orchard Valley Website. It will give you video tutorials and streaming videos of ways to interact with the Unified Classroom. [Township Talks Tech Streaming Sessions](#)

Clubs and Extracurricular Activities

Many of the clubs have started. Please listen to the morning announcements or view them on the website. If you don't hear your club on the announcements, please view the club list in the main hallway or in the cafeteria to see who the teacher is to contact.

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Remind Account BHMS Updates

To join, text the message: @bhmstwp to the number 81010

Sincerely,

Mike D'Ostilio