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PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

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February Events	Upcoming Events
2/15-2/19: No School, February Break 2/22: Book discussion: <i>We Want to do More Than Survive</i> , 6:00 PM 2/24: Early Release Day, 1:20 PM	3/17 No School, Curriculum Day 3/24 Early Release Day, 1:20 PM

Dear Families,

Pelham's annual African American Read-In on Wednesday was fantastic! Thank you to our readers: Mark Dollar, Lourdes Jean-Louis, Tymberlee Hill, Damany Gordon, Oumy Cisse, Tyrone Parham, Nicole Young, Tim Nelson, Georgia Malcom, and Tashel Bordere. In future years we would love to expand access to this event with some virtual reading slots, as the format this year worked really well. Thank you to all who supported the event!

Report Cards and Progress Reports

Report Cards and Special Education Progress Reports for all students in grades K-6 went home to families on Friday via email. The email also includes a letter from the Teaching and Learning department explaining the format for the report cards, which is slightly different than in years past and reflects our current learning model. The staff have worked incredibly hard this year to foster relationships with students, cultivate strong classroom communities, and facilitate meaningful learning. Their care and understanding of each child's progress is reflected in the report card comments. If you have questions about your child's report card or progress report, please contact your child's classroom teacher directly.

Pelham Preschool Update

On Thursday evening, the Pelham School Committee decided to extend their COVID-related closure of the Pelham Preschool for the 2021-2022 school year. They will resume their discussion about the future of the program during the next school year. I know this impacts families in our community; please reach out to me directly if you have questions.

February Recess Meetups

These are totally optional. Snow gear encouraged. All will be on the Pelham Playground **11:30 AM-12:00 PM**.

- All students must wear masks and maintain social distancing.
- Families must remain on campus.
- School facilities will not be available.
- If there is extreme weather, we will reschedule. I will communicate with families via email.

Grade 3: Mon 2/22

Grade 5: Wed 2/24

Grade 4: Tues 2/23

Grade 6: Thurs 2/25

Enjoy this week off from school and stay cozy in the winter weather! Feel reach out with any questions and please share if there is anything I can do to support your family.

All my best,
Leigh