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Director's Notes

Interested in Helping BASCP?

It is not too late to throw your hat in the ring! I am currently seeking to fill two spots on the Board of Director's for the 2018-2019 school year. The Board typically meets once a month to discuss policies and procedures within the program. Dinner is provided of course!!! Participating on the Board affords parents the opportunity to help guide the program as we continue to strive to be the best possible program we can be. If you might be interested in joining the Board, please speak with Ellen or a current Board Member.

A Night Out, No Cooking, a Tour of BASCP's Hydroponics Lab, and Annual Meeting March 15

On Thursday, March 15 join us and meet this year's Board of Directors and hear from the Coordinators and Director as to all of the amazing things happening at BASCP.

At 5:45pm the BASCP café for parents where you can sample catered decadent delights and participate in our Annual Meeting. This is your opportunity for some great adult interaction, while hearing about the wonderful things happening while your children are in our care. The meeting will start at 6pm at which time you will meet this year's Board and hear brief reports from the programs' coordinators, and then we will hold an election for next year's board of directors, followed by the election of officers. It is vital that each family casts a vote to elect new and returning board members. As a parent-run organization, the Board of Directors is the dedicated group of people that we depend on to guide our program. We will conclude the meeting with a tour of the BASCP Hydroponics Lab! **We do provide free childcare and pizza for children whose parents stay. Be sure to sign up if your child/ren will be staying for child care and a light bite.**

VERY IMPORTANT

Thursday, March 8 is an Early Release day. This means that all children will be released from school at 12:30pm. Children who are enrolled in Group A Extended Day are able to attend the program from 12:30-3:00pm as usual. **Please note that there is NO 3PM bus this day!** If your child is normally enrolled in After School from 3-6pm on Thursdays, they will be able to attend the program from 12:30-6pm. If you have any questions, please call 617-969-3130. Please be sure to send a lunch, school lunches are not available!!!

Enrollment for 2018-2019

Please be sure that BASCP has your email address!!! Once again applications will be made available by **email** to currently enrolled families and incoming Kindergarteners. Because April 1st falls on a Sunday, you should expect to receive them on April 2. All applications are due back to the program by April 16th. Applications **must be** mailed to the program at BASCP, PO Box 429, Newton Upper Falls, MA 02464 as children will be accepted on a first come first served basis by postmark. If you know any families who are interested in joining BASCP, please have them call 617-969-3130 or e-mail me at ellenweiss@bascp.org.

Building Security

In order to maintain the safety of all who are in the building during after school hours please allow staff to use the buzz-system to let people into the building.

BASCP's Kindness Clubs Random Acts of Kindness

You may have seen the many medals awarded to students throughout the month of February. These medals were handed to students from BASCP teachers when they witnessed students performing a Random Act of Kindness for another person. All 90 medals that were made were handed out. That's a lot of kindness!



K Extended Day

Kindergarten Extended Day is ready for a month of music, movement, and fun this March! Brandon is working hard on a series of homemade instrument activities, such as pianos and instruments around the world. He is also exploring the instruments we have at BASCP, such as our drum collection and our “Boom Whackers”. Bryan will be sharing his drumming expertise and doing some creating as well with his “Spin Drums” and Maracas. As always, feel free to call or e-mail with any questions (617-969-3130, christieb@bascp.org)

K-1 Stars

Let’s Play, Let’s Move, Let’s Twist and Shout! The month of March is all about music, movement, and play, and we couldn’t be more excited about this perfect cure to the winter doldrums! The K-1 Stars have a lot of special activities planned! We are starting the month off right with our Teacher Lip Sync Battle Kick-Off Event! We have Robin’s Flash Mob collaborating with dancers and teachers from both the Comets & Satellites and the Ozone programs. Brandon will be working with students to create their own violins and guitars! Fran will also be working on homemade instruments with her Tambourine activity. Bryan will be helping students discover their “songwriter” side with a creative writing poem activity. March 8th is “Dress Like a Rockstar” day—we encourage your children to wear their most rock-n-roll clothes and accessories and we will be making our very own accessories at BASCP that day! We also have a Talent Show coming up at the end of the month, on March 29th. As always, feel free to call or e-mail with any questions (617-969-3130, christieb@bascp.org)

2-3 Comets

Come join the Comets and Satellites as we get ready to move, play, and expand our musical talents! March will be filled with some exciting events and activities that will get your children up and moving about as well as find their inner rock star! Colin will be having rehearsals with the children for a Flash Mob that will spontaneously take place at the end of the month. Monica will be teaching the children a hip hop dance that will be showcased at the BASCP Talent Show on March 29th. Tanya will be holding auditions and rehearsal times for acts for the Talent Show as well as making egg shakers and maybe even some Dance Dance Revolution! Don’t be surprised if you happen to see a keyboard or two pop into our space! Continue to check our red binder for upcoming trips and enrichment opportunities!

4-5 Ozone

March will be a month of music and movement in the Ozone. To introduce students to the theme (and to embarrass teachers), BASCP will present the Teacher Lip Sync Battle – the Ozone teachers’ performance should be very appealing.

For March activities, Connor, BASCP’s Music Man, will be celebrating the history and the future of music. He’ll introduce students to antique instruments as he’ll help them construct antique guitars and mbiras. As for music of the future, your children will be in charge of that as we challenge them to create original songs by learning new skills on GarageBand and with our instruments. Helena will also be in the music creation business as she’ll have students create pan pipes and music makers with our technology. Helena will also have children moving to popular music as she leads Tuesday Zumba classes.

To close out the month, we will present the BASCP Rock n’ Roll Hall of Fame followed by a student talent show in the auditorium. Please make sure to visit our website and the Ozone to see our musical creations and much more.



Enrichment & Billing

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Enrichment:

Please check the enrichment binder located at your programs' sign out station for all the scheduled enrichment opportunities that you are welcome to sign up your student to attend for the month of March.

K-1

What	When:	Time:	Where
Farm 2 Market	Friday, 3/9	4:00-5:00PM	Mad Maker's Lab
Field Trip	Tuesday, 3/13	1:00-3:00PM	Needham Bowlway
Pages 53	Wednesday, 3/14	4:00-5:00PM	Mad Maker's Lab
Farm 2 Market	Thursday, 3/15	4:00-5:00PM	Mad Maker's Lab
Paper 53	Friday, 3/23	4:00-5:00PM	Mad Maker's Lab
Farm 2 Market	Monday, 3/26	4:00-5:00PM	Mad Maker's Lab
Paper 53	Tuesday, 3/27	4:00-5:00PM	Mad Maker's Lab

Comets

What	When:	Time:	Where
Robots!	Monday, 3/5	4:30-5:30PM	Mad Maker's Lab
Hopscotch	Wednesday, 3/7	4:30-5:30PM	Mad Makers Lab
Robots!	Monday, 3/12	4:30-5:30PM	Mad Maker's Lab
Robots!	Thursday, 3/22	4:30-5:30PM	Mad Makers Lab
Farm 2 Market	Wednesday, 3/28	4:30-5:30PM	Mad Makers Lab
Field Trip	Thursday, 3/29	3:30-5:30PM	Week's Field Playground

Ozone

What	When:	Time:	Where
Robots!	Monday, 3/5	3:45-5:30PM	Mad Maker's Lab
Field Trip	Tuesday, 3/6	1:00-3:00PM	Peet's Coffee
Hopscotch	Wednesday, 3/7	3:45-5:30PM	Mad Makers Lab
Robots!	Monday, 3/12	3:45-5:30PM	Mad Maker's Lab
Field Trip	Tuesday, 3/13	1:00-3:00PM	Needham Bowlway
Robots!	Thursday, 3/22	3:45-5:30PM	Mad Makers Lab
Farm 2 Market	Wednesday, 3/28	3:45-5:30PM	Mad Makers Lab

Thank You as always,
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