

Principal's Newsletter

Principal: Dr. Tibbetts

Assistant Principal: Mr. Starr

A Busy Summer

Welcome Back! We hope your summer has been relaxing and enjoyable. While you were relaxing on the beach it has been very busy at the Henry Barnard School. Construction on the new sprinkler system and the new fire alarm system are progressing. Although the two systems are related, they are on different schedules for completion. The fire alarm installers are currently working in the classrooms and in the hallways, and they should be completely finished by August 25th. Since the new sprinkler system entails connecting pipes it will take longer to complete.

The east side of the school (first grade, second grade, and kindergarten) should have both systems completed by August 25th. On the east wing both systems will be tested from Monday to Wednesday, and that should finish all construction on the east wing.

Sprinkler installation in the west wing (third grade, fourth grade, fifth

grade, the gym, etc) and the north wing (preschool, library, and the office) will continue after students are dismissed beginning on August 27th. At 3:00PM every day sprinkler installation will continue and the work will continue until 1:00AM. Every classroom will be cleaned after the workers are finished and before students return the next day.

The after school phase of the sprinkler installation will start in the west wing. Once the west wing is completed work will move to the north wing. Although we do not have a timetable for the completion of the west wing, the entire project is expected to be completed by Thanksgiving.

There will have to be major adjustments for all activities that operate in HBS after students are dismissed. After school clubs (Outdoor Club, Reading Club, etc) that usually use rooms in the north and west wing will have to relocate to rooms in the east wing.

After School Programs

Most of the time Explorations will operate in its usual manner. There will be times when Explorations will need to relocate to the cafeteria and/or room 184. When the program is relocated Mr. Young will inform parents, faculty, and staff so that everybody knows where the children are on any given day.

Henry Barnard School Parents' Association meetings will be in the teachers' room, but meetings in other rooms may be problematic. **Curriculum**

Night (September 10th) will be as scheduled and there will be no construction that night.

After school soccer has been offered in the past during the Fall. Mr. Janaway has indicated that he might be offering soccer, but he will wait until the construction is completed before including the younger students. He will be informing parents of his decision soon. Other teachers who offer after school programs will also be communicating with parents soon.

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**A warm welcome to
our new faculty:**

School Nurse

Mrs. Bagaglia

Second Grade

Mrs. Thompson

Fourth Grade

Mrs. Vito-Silva

Assistant Teacher

Mrs. Moorman



New Parking Regulations

Students are to arrive at school between 8:00 AM and 8:15 AM. This allows for classrooms to be settled before the students go to a specialist, and teachers generally begin the preparation for the day at 8:15. Our specialists (art, music, physical education, technology education, and Spanish) begin at 8:20. Children who arrive after 8:15 will be marked late for school. Children who arrive after 8:25 must be signed-in at the office by a parent or guardian. Since the carport doors are locked at 8:25, students who arrive late must use the side door by the office. Parents are to park in front of the school or in Lot E when bringing their child into school because they are arriving late.

When parents of children in *preschool through fifth grade* drive their children to school the students are to be driven to the carport at the front of the school. Upon arrival, children may exit their car and enter the building. Parents can not park around the inner circle and enter the school with their children. Cars parked around the inner circle are

subject to parking tickets that may be as expensive as seventy dollars (\$70.00). If an adult accompanies children into the school, parking Lot E may be used for short periods of time (no longer than 15 minutes).

Parking at any time of the day along the east side of the school (between the school and the art building) is not permitted. Parking at any time of the day along the north side of the school (behind the school) is not permitted. Cars parked in either area at anytime are subject to ticketing.

Since *preschool children* are too young to enter and leave school by themselves, it is expected that an adult or sibling will accompany them into their classroom. Parents of preschool children will also have the ***new option*** of using carport. An assistant teacher from the preschool program will be assigned to the carport to greet the children and bring them to their classroom each morning. Parking for short periods of time for parents of preschool children is permitted in **Lot E**.

School Lunches

A hot lunch (includes milk) is available at a cost of \$2.50 per day. Lunches may be purchased daily, weekly, or monthly but lunches cost slightly less (\$360 per year) when purchased through the prepaid lunch program. It is recommended that student lunches be purchased at least on a weekly or monthly basis. Children who bring their own lunch to school may purchase milk. It is suggested that students bring their lunch money to school in an envelope with the child's name on the outside. Checks should be made payable to the Henry Barnard School. The daily cost of lunch is:

Child Lunch \$2.50

Milk (Without purchasing lunch) \$.40

Prepaid (Semester) \$180.00

There is a microwave oven available during students' lunch, however; only an adult is allowed to warm a child's food in a microwave. We request that food not be in Styrofoam or plastic containers because it may be harmful when heated in a microwave. **Please note:** students cannot bring food to school that requires the use of a microwave oven for more than 10 – 15 seconds.

Henry Barnard School Personnel 2008 - 2009

The faculty for the 2008 - 2009 school year are listed below (as of August 22).

PRESCHOOL

Mrs. B. Ripstein
Mrs. C. Paul

KINDERGARTEN

Mrs. E. Walsh
Mrs. J. Borges
Mrs. M. Sloyer

FIRST GRADE

Mrs. M. Nonis
Mrs. P. Manninen

SECOND GRADE

Mrs. K. Capraro
Mrs. L. Thompson

THIRD GRADE

Mrs. B. Ondis
Mr. S. Oldstein

FOURTH GRADE

Mrs. K. Vito-Silva
Mrs. M. Roberts

FIFTH GRADE

Ms. S. Fennessey
Ms. V. Percoco

ART

Dr. C. Mulcahey

GUIDANCE

Mrs. J. Fraatz

INTERVENTIONIST

Mrs. L. Otto
Mrs. M. Cannon

LIBRARY

Ms. L. Parkerson

MUSIC

Mr. J. MacCubbin

NURSE

Mrs. S. Bagaglia

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Mr. P. Janaway

SPANISH

Mrs. S. Soares

TECHNOLOGY ED.

Mr. J. Arango

ASSISTANT TEACHERS

Mr. E. Brown
Mrs. K. Moorman
Mrs. D. Adler
Mrs. G. Riccio
Mrs. S. Hellmann

SECRETARIES

Mrs. S. St. Amand
Ms. J. Lusignan
Ms. K. Guilmette

EXPLORATIONS

Mr. M. Young
Ms. B. Alianiello

ADMINISTRATORS

Dr. R. Tibbetts
Mr. F. Starr





Henry Barnard School

HENRY BARNARD SCHOOL Calendar 2008 - 2009

2008

August 28:	Students' first day; 11:30 dismissal
August 29:	Full day for students in grades 1 - 5
September 1:	Labor Day; No School
September 10:	Curriculum Night at 6:30 PM
September 17:	HBSPA Meeting at 8:30 AM
October 13:	Columbus Day; No School
October 16:	HBSPA Meeting at 7:00 PM
October 17:	School Photographs
November 4:	Election Day; No School
November 11:	Veteran's Day; No School
November 19:	HBSPA Meeting at 7:00 PM
November 26 - 28:	Thanksgiving Recess; No School
December 8 - 12:	Parent Conferences
December 18:	HBSPA Meeting at 8:30 AM
December 22:	Winter Recess Begins; No School

2009

January 5:	School Reconvenes
January 14:	HBSPA Meeting at 8:30 AM
January 19:	Martin Luther King Day; No School
February 11:	HBSPA Meeting at 7:00 PM
February 16:	Presidents' Week Recess; No School (February 16 - 20)
March 19:	HBSPA Meeting at 7:00 PM
March 16 - 20:	Parent Conferences
April 3:	Professional Development Day; No School
April 13:	Spring Recess; No School (April 13 - 17)
May 20:	HBSPA Meeting at 8:30 AM
May 25:	Memorial Day; No School
June 5:	Field Day for Grades 3-5
June 16	Fifth Grade Celebration (tentative)
June 17:	Last Day of School (Make-up days will be scheduled if necessary)