



The Bay Academy for the Arts & Sciences  
Intermediate School 98

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Principal

**Weekly Intercom February 5, 2016**

- Cell Phone Charging-** Please do not plug your phone or iPad into any DOE computer to charge them. It has come to my attention that some of your personal items i.e. photos, videos, messages are automatically uploaded allowing the DOE to have access to these personal items. Use a wall outlet when charging your electronics.
- Double Period-** When you have a double period class students may not be allowed to leave your room during passing. If a child needs to use the rest room, they must do so during the period. The bathrooms are not monitored during passing, and we do not allow children into the bathrooms during that time. You may allow your students a two minute break, but they are not allowed to leave the room.
- Smoking-** Smoking on school property is FORBIDDEN. That includes having a cigarette or any type of e-cig hanging out of your mouth upon exiting the building. We are role models for children, and I am asking all the smokers in the building to comply.
- Cell Phone Usage-** This is a reminder to all teachers. The use of cell phones and other electronic devices are limited to the breakfast program and the AM auditorium line up ONLY. STUDENTS MAY NOT use their phone or electronic devices to access the internet, take pictures OR record students or other staff members. Please ensure that you uphold this policy during the regular school day, and the after school program.
- Student Updates-** Please adjust your records accordingly:  
Discharge 653 Mahum Khan  
851 Aamina Anwar
- Respect for All-** The week of February 9-12, 2016 has been designated as *Respect for All*. Please join us in supporting the fight against bullying and tolerance for diversity. We will continue with our tradition of recognizing random acts of kindness with a 3 point coupon (10 per teacher). The coupons were placed in your letter box. Please be generous and use them to recognize *random acts of kindness*. Please EMAIL Mrs. D'Agosta the name of the recipient at [Ndagosta@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:Ndagosta@schools.nyc.gov).
- Scheduled Events-** Please join us in supporting our fight against bullying by participating in the following event:  
~Tuesday 2/9- wear crazy socks to kick off the week  
~Wednesday 2/10- Bullying presentation by the drama students and guidance department  
Grade 6 period 3                      Grade 7 period 4                      Grade 8 period 5  
~Thursday 2/11- wear a hat representing your culture  
~Friday 2/12- cyberbullying presentation by a detective grades 6 and 7 only  
Grade 6 period 3                      Grade 7 period 4
- School Closed-** Schools will be closed Monday, February 8th in honor of Lunar New Year.
- Valentine's Dance-** The PTA will be hosting a Valentine's Dance for our students on Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 8:00 pm. Please join us for this fun filled evening.
- Mid-Winter Recess-** Schools will be closed February 15<sup>th</sup> through February 19<sup>th</sup>. Please return to work on Monday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Secure Belongings-** As you are aware, there is much construction taking place in this building. Please ensure that you are securing all personal and professional items each and every day. It is also your duty and responsibility to **immediately** report any missing items.
- Happy Birthday-** A very Happy Birthday to the following staff members who celebrate their special day in February:  
*Gladis Cristadoro, Amy Curren, and Keith Hofmann*



*Wonderful things happen in a classroom  
where a teacher envisions a  
stimulating center of learning  
and transmits that excitement to students.*