



The Bay Academy for the Arts & Sciences
Intermediate School 98

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Principal

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1. **School Construction-** The General Contractor has informed me that construction in the classrooms will begin Monday night 11/23 on the 4th floor. Please lock and secure all your personal and school property.
2. **Parent Teacher Conferences-** Thank you for conducting these conferences effortlessly and for meeting, greeting and welcoming our student's. We had the least amount of complaints this year.
3. **After-School Program-** The program will run all days next week. Any after-school teacher who will not be working on Wednesday 11/25 must inform Mrs. Dalton so that arrangements can be made for your students.



4. **Thanksgiving Feast-** A very special thank you to Caryn DiMari and Marietta Falconieri for coordinating the wonderful Thanksgiving feast. It enabled the staff to enjoy their day, laugh a little and socialize. The food was delicious and plentiful and the desserts were scrumptious! Thank you to all who participated. It has become a wonderful tradition. One that many of us look forward to every year!

5. **Open House-** This annual event will be held on Monday 11/23 from 6:00-8:00pm. All departments should use their interactive boards to present a detailed, exciting power point presentation. This is the event where we

showcase the exciting things we do at Bay to potential students. Please BRAG and SHOW OFF!!!

6. **EGG Files-** The grading files will be sent to you on 11/23. They will be due back to jdalton3@schools.nyc.gov by COB 12/2/15. All staff **MUST** comply with this deadline.
7. **EGG File Training-** All new teachers are invited to attend training on the correct format for completing the EGG files. This will take place on Monday 11/23 in room 120 at 2:10pm. Any staff member may attend as well.
8. **No Shave November-** Thank you to all the male staff members who participated in this worthy cause. Since we are hosting the Open House on 11/23, I'm asking all the gentlemen to shave before the evening event. Thank you.
9. **Guidelines for Holiday Displays-** We must be aware of and respect our community's diverse religious, racial, ethnic and cultural heritages. We may not endorse any particular religion or belief system. As we head into the holiday season please adhere to the following:
 - *The primary purpose of any displays should be to promote understanding and respect for the rights of all individuals regarding their beliefs, values, and customs.*
 - *The display of holiday symbol decorations with secular dimensions is permitted. Permitted symbols include, but are not limited to, Christmas trees, kinaras, dreidels, menorahs, and the Star and Crescent. Displays that depict images of deities, other religious figures, or religious texts are prohibited.*
 - *Holiday displays must not appear to promote or celebrate any single religion or holiday; therefore, any permitted symbol or decoration must be displayed simultaneously with other symbols or decorations that reflect different beliefs or customs.*
 - *All holiday displays should be temporary in nature.*
10. **Bulletin Boards-** The bulletins boards are beautifully decorated and reflect the effective work being done in our classrooms. Thank you.
11. **Teacher's Choice-** On November 30th, if you have direct deposit, your allocation will be deposited in your account. Please check your bank account for this deposit. All receipts are due no later than January 15, 2016 to Mrs. Finale.



***If you can read this,
thank a teacher.***