

Buckingham Elementary School

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Our Mission: Strong Relationships Growing Healthy Minds To Go Beyond



Dear parents,

We are excited to be hosting Buckingham Elementary School's first ever Inclusion Week from April 16-20th, 2018! This is a week of activities devoted to celebrating the diversity we have in our building and helping all of our students feel that they belong and have a voice here, regardless of age, race, socioeconomic status, gender, sexual orientation, or ability.

Each day, classes will do something related to inclusion and appreciation of all factors that make each person unique. We also have projects that we will be working on as a whole school throughout the week. Finally, you are invited to our inclusion week wrap-up assembly on **Friday, April 20th, 2018 at 9:00am** to celebrate! At this assembly, each class will present what they have been working on throughout the week, we will have presentations from staff, and a special guest performance!

We have also included a family project that you are encouraged to do with your family at home exploring multiculturalism through an exploration of where your child's name comes from! Please see attached resources for this at-home family activity.

Finally, we are excited to celebrate the different cultures in our school through a Buckingham Elementary School Cookbook! Please have your child submit a recipe to their homeroom teacher before **Friday, April 20th, 2018** and we will compile the family recipes into a book! Books will be for sale for \$10 shortly after inclusion week.

Here is a schedule of the week's activities:

| Day | Activity | Notes |
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| Monday | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Kick-off assembly | <ul style="list-style-type: none">BES Students & staff only |
| Tuesday | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Classroom & whole school activities | |
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| Thursday | <ul style="list-style-type: none">8:30am - Friendship Breakfast12:30pm - Whole school viewing of the movie "Wonder" | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Please send a Friendship Breakfast item with your child |
| Friday | <ul style="list-style-type: none">9:00am - Community celebration assembly12:30pm - Community-building activities | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Parents & community members encouraged to join!Please send outdoor clothing with your childPlease submit a recipe for the BES Cookbook by this date |

We are looking forward to this wonderful week of celebrating inclusion!

Samantha Halpin & The Buckingham Elementary School Staff



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