

October

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"School One Where Knowledge is Power"

Greetings!

This month all schools in the state of New Jersey will acknowledge the Week of Respect (10/6-10/10) and School Violence Awareness week (10/20-10/24).

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Week of Respect

October 6-10

During the Week of Respect students will learn about HIB(Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying) and how to report it.

School Violence Awareness Week

October 20-24

Students will learn/review a conflict resolution strategy

Stop.Walk.Talk

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
Week of respect				
13 Columbus Day School Closed	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
School Violence Awareness Week				
27	28	29	30	31

Megaskill of the Month

Problem Solving:

Putting what you know and what you can do into action

I will ask questions, get information and make careful choices

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School Counseling Services

Individual Student Planning (ISP)	Responsive Services
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Academic Support• Social/Emotional Support• Transition<ul style="list-style-type: none">★ New Students★ to Upper Elementary• Parent-Teacher Conferences	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Crisis Response• Parent & Staff Consultation• Individual and Small Group Counseling• Conflict Resolution• Community Referrals
System Support	Curriculum
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Consultation, Collaboration, & Teaming• Staff & Professional Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Classroom Guidance (K-3)• Small Group Guidance (K-3)

Individual and Group counseling are both short term. Short-term counseling is psycho-educational in nature, not therapeutic. It is not intended to be a substitute for diagnosis or treatment for any mental health disorder.

Week of Respect

Students in Grades Pk-3 were presented on what is Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying and how to report it. They were also introduced to our district theme for the 2014-2015 school year which is "Together We Can Change the World".

If you haven't done so already start the conversation with your child on how they are able to make a difference within their school and community. You might be surprised about what they have to say.

Stop Walk Talk

A conflict resolution strategy

"In recognition of School Violence Awareness Week (October 20-24) I will introduce **Stop, Walk, Talk** to students during their lunch time. I have attached an information sheet regarding **Stop, Walk, Talk** that you can go over with your child once they have learned it. It will take about 5-7 minutes to introduce.

The goal is to provide students with the strategies to both respond to and decrease bullying.

I will also place Red, Yellow, and Green signals around the school as a reminder



What will students learn?



Stop

Say the word "Stop" while putting your hand up – palm facing outward. Use a clear voice.



Walk

Walk away if the other person continues bother you. *Sometimes, even when students tell others to "stop", problem behavior will continue. When this happens, students are to "walk away" from the problem behavior*



Talk

Talk to your teacher, the principal, the school counselor, your parent/guardian to let them know what happened. *Even when students use "stop" and they "walk away" from the problem, sometimes students will continue to behave inappropriately toward them. When that happens, students should "talk" to an adult.*

How can you help? You can help by talking to your child about any negative situations/events they encounter in school. Please ask them if they 1. Told the other child to stop, 2. If they walked away, and 3. If they talked to an adult. It is our sincere desire to have a school environment which is characterized by respect and caring. Please do not hesitate to inform us if your student is experiencing problems with other students. We are here to help!