Coming Up!

Friday, April 2 - Monday, May 3
Deadline passed. Submit enrollment ASAP.
SY21-22 School Enrollment
https://dcgov.seamlessdocs.com/f/DCPSEnrollmentForm_English22

Wednesday, June 9
ECE Meet and Greet for New Families
2:00-2:45 pm: Students with last names A-K
3:00-3:45 pm: Students with last names L-Z
RSVP to brentelementary@k12.dc.gov

Thursday, June 10
Community Meeting (virtual)
6 - 7:30 p.m.
ASL Interpreters Provided
Meeting Link in 6/8 Tues News.

Friday, June 11, and Saturday, June 12
Auction & Virtual Gala
Register at:
https://e.givesmart.com/events/lr4/

Thursday, June 17
Kindergarten to 1st Grade Transition Meeting
5 - 6 p.m.
Visit brentelementary.org for login information.

Diversity Working Group Celebrates Pride Month
The Diversity Working Group (DWG) invites the community to join us in celebrating Pride Month. Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ) Pride Month is currently celebrated each year in the month of June to honor the 1969 Stonewall Uprising in Manhattan. The Stonewall Uprising was a tipping point for the Gay Liberation Movement in the United States. DCPS Virtual Pride 2021 is an opportunity for us to come together as a community to show our support for--and celebrate the diversity of--our LGBTQ+ students, families, and staff. With expanded programming and more opportunities...
to interact, there’s something for everyone! https://dcpsvirtualpride2021.sched.com

Of particular interest to families is the Monday evening read alouds: “Each Monday, we’ll explore a different LGBTQ+ inclusive children’s book. These read-aloud sessions are open to all, but the books selections are age-appropriate for children 2 to 8 years of age.”

DCPS is also holding their 9th annual Leading With Pride! Leading With Pride 2021 is a FREE, virtual event that is open to LGBTQ+ youth and their peer allies (ages 13 - 24), parents/caregivers of LGBTQ+ youth (or parents/caregivers who identify as queer or trans/non-binary), and school staff. For more information on Leading with Pride! https://leadingwithpride.sched.com

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Mission: The Brent Diversity Working Group advances the school’s commitment to recognizing, respecting, valuing and promoting diversity by serving as a resource and liaison for students, families, staff and faculty on issues of equity through education, outreach and advocacy.
Summer has started at the DC Public Library and their Summer Reading Program begins today, June 1. Please visit https://www.dclibrary.org/summerchallenge to register and learn how to win prizes while having fun.

DCPS will reopen fully for all students on August 30, 2021. In-person learning will take place every day for every student. We cannot wait to see you!

Enroll today at enrolldcps.dc.gov.

READING NOOK

Check out these suggestions and more from Brent’s library (https://destinydiscover.com) or the DC Public Library (https://www.dclibrary.org/) to celebrate PRIDE Month.
CALLING ALL BRENT BEARS!
BRENT COMMUNITY MEETING ON THURSDAY,
JUNE 10
6 - 7 P.M.

Join the discussion on:
- PTA Board Elections
- PTA SY2021-22 Budget review
- LSAT Elections
- Diversity Working Group Elections

Visit brentenlementary.org for login information
Innovation Learning for the 2021-22 School Year

Innovation Learning is an extended learning provider, offering after school programs that help children develop 21st Century skills in a safe, fun, and academically-focused setting, right at your school!

What to Expect at Innovation Learning

STEM Curriculum
SWITCH
Homework Support
TINKER Time
Fun Fitness
Discovery Play

Brent Elementary School

Registration Fee - $59/child or $99/family

AM Program
7:00am - 8:00am
$8.95 ....... One Day
$16.50 ....... Two Day
$24.75 ....... Three Day
$33.00 ....... Four Day
$33.95 ....... Five Day

PM Program
3:15pm - 6:00pm
$20.95
$39.90
$59.85
$79.80
$94.95

Same Day Drop In - adds $5 to daily rate
Vacation Days - $62.50/day

Register at www.InnovationLearning.com • Questions email info@innovationlearning.com
Brent Elementary Summer Communications
Calendar & Staff Summer Contact Information

Please review this calendar of key communication dates over the summer. Brent’s front office will be open and staffed throughout the summer so please don’t hesitate to contact us with any questions.

Brent Summer Communications Calendar

Thursday, June 24, 2021
Last Day of School: Report card distribution

June 24 - July 30, 2021
Check Brent’s website and twitter account (@brentelementary) for updates about summer events

Monday, August 2, 2021

Tuesdays in August (August 3, 10, 17, & 24, 2021)
Tues News Emails countdown to the start of school

Friday, August 27, 2021
Class assignments posted on front doors and on website by 2 p.m.
Back to School Open House 3-4 p.m. (Currently planning for in-person event)

Monday, August 30, 2021
First Day of School for K – 5th Students, ECE students 9/2 and 9/3 start dates

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Dear Brent Families,

Given this short week, this is a short message: if you have not yet filled out the community reflection survey, found here - https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=7kagKk6zM0qSt5md8rwKMsC6v4ZrZwN-AnDxAReL_AhURFc2UVM5UzlP-SUM3QUNWVzhSN1o1RFFXMy4u please do so. It closes Friday. We appreciate the opportunity to hear from you!

Sincerely,

Norah Lycknell
To help limit the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19) and to protect the health and safety of all children and staff of schools and child development facilities, travel outside of the District, Maryland or Virginia remains discouraged at this time. As travel increases, so does your chances of becoming infected and spreading COVID-19. Staying home is the best way to protect yourself and others from getting sick.

Please remember children, teachers and staff returning from travel outside the District, Maryland or Virginia, or any place other than a low-risk state, territory or country, must complete the following before returning to school or child care:

**SELF-MONITOR AND LIMIT DAILY ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING STAYING HOME FROM SCHOOL OR CHILD CARE, FOR 10 DAYS UPON RETURN TO THE DISTRICT**

**OR**

**LIMIT ACTIVITIES AND SELF-MONITOR UNTIL THEY ARE TESTED FOR CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) (AT LEAST THREE TO FIVE DAYS AFTER THEIR RETURN) AND RECEIVE A NEGATIVE RESULT.**

NEW: Travel-related testing and quarantine requirements may be waived if an individual:

- Has tested positive for COVID-19 within the last 90 days AND does not have any symptoms consistent with COVID-19

**OR**

- Is fully vaccinated against COVID-19 AND does not have any symptoms consistent with COVID-19.

An individual is considered fully vaccinated 14 days after completion of a COVID-19 vaccination series (after the second dose of a 2-dose series, or after one dose of a single-dose vaccine).

Note: The COVID-19 vaccine is currently not available to children under the age of 16. Non-vaccinated children must continue to follow the travel restrictions before returning to school or child care, even if their parent/guardian(s) are fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

**REMEMBER**

Individuals must quarantine while awaiting COVID-19 test results.

All individuals who have traveled must closely monitor for symptoms of COVID-19 for 14 days after their return, including those who are fully vaccinated. If symptoms develop, they must immediately isolate and seek further guidance from a health care provider.

Institutions and employers may enforce additional restrictions, as deemed necessary. For a list of high-risk states and to learn more about the District’s travel restrictions, please visit: coronavirus.dc.gov/phasetwo.