



Principal's Monthly Newsletter – December 2017

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Student Safety First

Please help keep our students safe. Please do not use the staff parking lot for drop off or pick up. There have been reports of drivers using this area in an unsafe manner. Please use the white zone in front of the school for dropping students off and picking them up. This is a loading zone, therefore, you must stay in your car at all times. Make sure you give yourself adequate time in the morning to deliver your child to school prior to the start time. Students should have easy access to their belongings in the car so they do not need assistance exiting the vehicle. Please have your child exit on the curbside of the loading zone. If you would like to assist your child with their belongings, we kindly ask that you park in the designated city parking areas on the street and then assist your child. We thank you for your compliance. Student safety is our priority.

- and school site budget;
- monitor the implementation and effectiveness of the SPSA on an ongoing basis; and
- approve the SPSA and school site budget.

If you are interested in participating on the School Site Council Committee, please email me at aoflaherty@smfc.k12.ca.us by Friday, December 8. Thank you for your time and commitment.



Report Cards

Report cards will be coming home with your child on Thursday, December 7. You will also receive a letter from Alicia Heneghan, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, regarding the new look of the report card. The changes were made based on feedback from our teachers and parents regarding: 1) making the language easier for families to understand; 2) ensuring the report cards are more closely aligned with the California Content Standards; and 3) making the items less cumbersome to assess. Please speak with your child's teacher if you have questions regarding the report card.



SSC Member Needed

Brewer Island is continuing to look for one parent to participate on the **School Site Council (SSC)** for the 2017-2018 school year.

The SSC represents parents, community members, and school staff in school governance. The SSC is responsible for the development of the Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA), and overall school site budget including any categorical funds. The SSC is expected to:

- review and analyze student data;
- solicit community input and develop a needs assessment;
- assist the principal in developing the SPSA

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BIES Website

Please check our website, <http://brewer-island.smfcsd.net/> often for important news and events. Thank you!



Playground Safety

For the safety of our students we kindly ask that upon dismissal students immediately go home or to the after school program you have arranged for them to attend. If you would like your child to play please consider taking your child to the public park. The play structure and blacktop must be clear of children at dismissal time. Thank you for adhering to the school rules and ensuring student safety.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Dec. 7	Report cards go home with students
Dec. 8	PTA - Father/Daughter Dance
Dec. 13	SSC Meeting - 3:15 pm in the Library
Dec. 21	Spirit Day-Pajama Day - please wear shoes Minimum Day Schedule
Dec. 22- Jan. 8	Winter Break - No School
Jan. 9	School Resumes