

Raider Family News

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CASE RALLY

As many of you have probably guessed, Case Rally cannot occur as it has in the past due to social distancing regulations. However, I recognize and realize the importance of this event to our school culture. As with most things this year, we are trying to “reimagine” the rally. Therefore, our four class advisors are creating Google Classrooms for students interested in participating in their class skits can go to begin skit creation. Anyone who is interested in participating should look for an email from their advisor:

Class of 2021: Ms. Ferris (ferrisa@sbrregional.org)

Class of 2022: Ms. Cabral (cabrale@sbrregional.org)

Class of 2023: Officer Roberts (sro@sbrregional.org)

Class of 2024: Ms. Copeland & Mrs. Davis (copelandn@sbrregional.org and davisk@sbrregional.org)

Skits will be performed on Wednesday, November 18, 2020 on the football field. Each class will get a time to come to the field to perform their skits. Skits will all be recorded and televised on youtube.com on Wednesday, November 25, 2020. Skits will be voted on by not only the staff of SBRHS but also the communities of Somerset & Berkley. Our hope is to bring a smile to everyone’s day and boost morale with this time-honored tradition. Details and information will follow to students... we simply want to let everyone know of the plan.

I hope this week finds all of you happy and healthy! Please continue to check your emails as that is how teachers are primarily getting in touch with you. In addition, we appreciate everyone’s help, support, and patience as we move through our hybrid school year.

*Sincerely,
Dr. Susan Brelsford
Principal*

“If you see someone without a smile, give them yours.”
—Dolly Parton

Attention Students Working From Home...

It is very important that when students are at home learning remotely that, when asked, they turn their cameras on so that their teacher can see them. It can be difficult to ascertain understanding and converse when you cannot see the learner on the screen. In addition, in an online testing environment, teachers can visually monitor students and their progress.

However, we understand and acknowledge that there may need to be exceptions to this expectation. If a student/family feels that there is an extenuating circumstance or reason why they cannot have their camera on upon request, it is important that you reach out to your teachers, via email, to let them know the reason. In turn, we have asked teachers to arrange alternative options/plans for any students who reach out with such concerns.

Picture Day

Picture day will be Monday, October 19, 2020 for Cohort A and Thursday, October 22, 2020 for Cohort B. Students who are fully remote will have their pictures taken during the picture retake day, which will be announced at a later date, once we know how many retakes we need. Attached to this email is the order form for pictures, in case you do not have one.

Virtual PE

Please make sure you are completing your Virtual PE modules. This is an asynchronous class and can be done on Wednesday afternoons, or on your own time, but please be sure the assigned modules are completed by their assigned due dates at the end of the terms. Please remember that passing 4 years PE is a graduation requirement.



Extracurricular Update

Athletic practices are finishing up their first week (despite a few days of rainy weather). In the next few weeks, please be on the lookout for music and club extracurriculars, including student council elections, to begin soon. Advisors will be using email to notify students. In addition, we are routinely updating our website (www.somersetberkley.org) so please keep checking.

SBRSD Remote Learning Expectations

https://secure.onecallnow.com/Attachments/199999_d4c0f29b-d646-4095-9a92-d01e4d482bd6.pdf

Parent Teacher Conferences

Parent Teacher Conferences will not take place in October, as they have traditionally done so in the past. In my next newsletter, we will outline specific dates, times, and information pertaining to this event.

“Kindness is more important than wisdom, and the recognition of this is the beginning of wisdom.”

– *Theodore Isaac Rubin*

Grades

Please be sure to check Aspen and communicate with teachers regarding your grades. Unlike the spring, the grades you receive for term 1 will NOT be scaled—the grade will be your first term grade. It is important that students complete assignments and email teachers with any concerns.

Family Newsletter from the Superintendent

https://secure.onecallnow.com/Attachments/199999_ed55680c-507d-4651-9e89-4b2682c7c4e5.pdf

End of Term Dates

End of Term 1: November 17, 2020

End of Term 2: January 29, 2021

End of Term 3: April 9, 2021

End of Year: June 17, 2021

In Case of Emergency

In case of emergency, all students have been notified that they should ignore all signage in the hallways, including stairway directional signs, and vacate the building using the nearest possible stairways, hallways, and exits. Bus evacuation drills will occur on Tuesday, October 20 and Friday, October 23.