

# SPECIALISTS NEWSLETTER

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*Read all about what's happening in your child's specials!!*

## Field Day!!

Field Day is going to be held on Thursday, June 1st (rain date Monday, June 5th) at Ellsworth Park. Field day is a school wide event where every student participates in a various physical activities throughout the school day. It is a very exciting day for everyone involved.

## Field Day T-Shirts

**Due Date:**  
**Friday, April 28th**

Each grade will be wearing a selected color. If you do not purchase a field day t-shirt, it is strongly recommended that students wear the appropriate grade level t-shirt color.

If you have any question regarding field day please contact Ms. Riddick ([mriddick@bridgportedu.net](mailto:mriddick@bridgportedu.net))

Click link below to access t-shirt order form.

[Field Day T-shirt order form](#)

**BLACK ROCK SCHOOL**

# FIELD DAY

**ORDER BY:**  
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**ADD \$2 for 2XL and \$3 for 3XL**  
**YOUTH:** Small 6-8, Medium 10-12, Large 14-16  
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# Physical Education

## P.E with Mrs. Brum

Students have done a wonderful job this quarter! We started off with our gymnastics unit. Students learned how to control their bodies while exploring various balances, rolls, and jumps. Students also learned several inversions. We began with donkey kicks in order to learn what it feels like to hold your body weight in your hands. Then we progressed to cartwheels, round-offs, hand stands and head stands.



We celebrated the winter season with a Snow Day class! Students participated in various winter themed stations such as the ski jump, ice skating (on scarves and paper plates) and gave each other cooperative sled rides. It was a class filled with fun and excitement. In March we celebrated Dr. Seuss' Birthday by deconstructing the story Hop on Pop into physical challenges. Students hopped on Pop, played wall ball, sat on a hat, cat and bat, and knocked three bees out of a tree! We were rhyming as we got in lots of physical activity!

We also played several new tag games that used bases. A base is a spot where you are safe from getting tagged for 3 seconds. Students learned how to incorporate the simple game strategy of using a base while dodging and fleeing the taggers. We just began our striking unit. Students are learning how to make contact with a balloon using body parts as well as short and long handled implements. We will soon start our jump rope unit.

## P.E with Ms. Riddick

Students in 2nd and 3rd grade ended the 3rd marking period with our throwing and catching unit. Students practiced throwing and catching a variety of items (frisbees, scoops, footballs, playground balls, etc.) while participating in various activities. Students were given the opportunity to practice throwing and catching with a partner/group, target throwing and throwing for distance. Freezeman, Battleship and Fire and Ice are some of the activities the students enjoyed!

We just began our hula hoop exploration unit and will be moving on to our jump rope within the next couple of weeks.

Students in 4th grade are currently working on a project called create-a-game. In groups, students are working together to create their own game which they will present to the class.

Students in grades 5-8 are continuing to participate in our sports units. We started the 3rd marking period by participating in traditional sports such as soccer, basketball and baseball. This marking period students will learn about and participate in team handball, ultimate frisbee and floor hockey.

Each unit starts with a break down of the required skills. As the unit progresses, students learn how to combine those skills with strategy while participating in a modified version of the sport.

I love watching all of my students learn, grow and have fun!!

### **Daily P.E Goals**

- ◆ Play fairly and honestly
- ◆ Try your best
- ◆ Play safely
- ◆ Listen and follow directions
- ◆ Have Fun!!!!



## Happy Spring Everyone!



The students and I have been learning and having so much fun in Computer Literacy Class! The 6<sup>th</sup> graders have been working hard and showing enthusiasm during our Financial Literacy classes. They are learning how to examine the housing costs in different areas, interest and mortgage rates, smart buying decisions, and ways to manage our money.

Our 5th grade BlackRock students are getting ready to share their very own children's books that they created on Microsoft PowerPoint to the 1st grade classes! The students will be given a 1st grade reading buddy and will read their children's books that they created to them!

Our 3rd-4th graders are enjoying the Minecraft educational program! We are also learning how to research safely online and how to type on Microsoft Word.

The 1st and 2nd graders are actively working on Lexia and Moby Max! We enjoy active read

alouds and take part in creative activities together! The students also learn about classroom community, kindness, and much more! I am so proud of all of my students each week!

-Ms.Magno!

## News from the Music Room



Middle School students are getting ready to head to sea. Well not really, but students are learning about the days of sailing ships by singing sea chanteys. Sea chanteys are folk songs that were sung by sailors as they went about their daily tasks onboard.

Grades 4 and 5 are continuing to develop their note reading skills by performing fun bucket drumming exercises. If you have any extra clean five-gallon plastic buckets, we can always use them.

Grade 3 is still working on learning to play soprano recorder. And grades k, 1 and 2 are enjoying the First Steps in Music program.



Annie is coming here to Black Rock School. The performances will be on May 18th and 19th at 6:00 pm here on the Black Rock School stage. More information will be coming on how to get tickets. Ms. Magno and I are extremely excited about how the production is coming along. Please plan on attending, you will really enjoy the show. If you would like to assist with our production, please contact me at [cgeist@bridgeportedu.net](mailto:cgeist@bridgeportedu.net).