



# NJ-SP Bluejay Express

Mrs. Amy Bright, Principal  
November 2023

## Preparing Today's Youth for Tomorrow's Opportunities

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Greetings, Parents and Guardians!

Thank you all for your participation in Parent Teacher Conferences. Many classrooms had all their students' parents present and participating. It's a pleasure to work together for the benefit and growth of all our students. We love to brag on your children and share all the good things happening at school, to listen as you share and describe their personalities and "what works" for you, and to collaborate with you in developing plans for their academic and social growth. Most definitely, Parent Teacher Conferences were a big success.

Did you know there's new playground equipment being installed? At the time of writing this newsletter, workers are on site assembling the structure and preparing it for students. I am hopeful that students will have access to the structures and swings on or before November 13th. Early last winter, we surveyed students; asking them what type of activities they'd like more of on the playground. We used their feedback to design our new playground structures and swings. The completion of these structures symbolizes a finish to years long improvements, construction, and renovation of our elementary building. It will be a delight to watch students spin, climb, swing, and play together. Be looking for pictures and videos of our new playground on our Facebook page.

Another celebration to share is our improved attendance. We set big goals to improve student attendance this year. My letter to you back in August included our goal: Be Here! Every Day. It's The Bluejay Way! When we compare last year's first quarter attendance to this year's, we are seeing an increase in days present. This shows the dedication of our parents to make sure their children are making academic gains and know the importance of each school day.

I am looking forward to rolling into December with the momentum built this Fall!

Doing This Together,  
Mrs. Bright

### **Important Dates:**

**November 3 – Frozen Friday**

**November 6 – Bluejay Collaboration Time (late start, School begins at 9:40 AM)**

**November 10 – Midterm Grades**

**November 11 – Veterans Day**

**November 13 – Spell Bowl Competition**

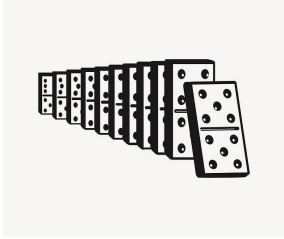
**November 20/21 – 4th Grade Field Trip**

**November 21 – Cereal Dominos**

**November 22 to 24 – Thanksgiving Break, NO SCHOOL**

**December 22 to January 8 – Winter Break, NO SCHOOL**

(Turn Over)



## Cereal Dominos

Our students will take part in our second annual Cereal Dominos this November. This is a fun and creative way to give back to our community! What is cereal dominos? Well, we ask students and staff to donate a box of cereal to the school, and then on Tuesday, November 21st, we will line up all the boxes of cereal throughout our hallways to create “dominos” and watch them fall! The students get so much excitement out of the process!! Once the dominos are finished we will donate all of the cereal to a local food bank to help families in our community. WE ARE NOW ACCEPTING CEREAL DONATIONS!



**\$\$ Help our school raise money through **SchoolStore** \$\$**

[www.schoolstore.net](http://www.schoolstore.net)

Locate our school at the above website and send invitations through email to family and friends to start shopping.

Additional information will be coming home with your student.

T-shirts available in the office. In stock sizes and styles \$15.00



Eat Breakfast at school each morning and give your brain a wake up call!