



December 1, 2023

Dear Bradford Community,

The holidays are approaching quickly. Each year around this time, the Bradford community runs a 'Holiday Gift Program' to support families in need during the holiday season. The assistance provided will be in the form of gifts for students (toys OR clothing). These holiday gifts are sponsored by Bradford's PTA, teachers & staff. There's a PTA 'SIGN-UP GENIUS' link below, with the requested holiday items. Once the gifts are donated, they will be wrapped at our annual community 'WRAP & ROLL' event that is sponsored by the MEA (please see attached flyer - same flyer different styles).

- The gifts will be wrapped at the 'WRAP & ROLL' event on Thursday, December 14, 2023.
- LIBRARY - 3:30pm - 5:00pm

Thank you!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E44ADAA2AA1F58-46358669-bradford#/>



Bradford Holiday Gift Giving



Bradford Wrap and Roll Event

Thursday, December 14, 2023

From 3:30-5:00 in the Library

Light refreshments and holiday cheer!

Sponsored by the

*Bring Bradford together to
have some fun, donate and wrap
gifts for families this Holiday Season!*



Spirit Week Holiday Edition

Monday, 12/18 Holiday Helper Day. Dress the part...Grinch, elves, a snowman, a Kwanza candle or even just a dreidel pinned on your shirt. It's Clash of the Classes -points to the class that wears the most costumes, so be sure to get creative! Bragging rights and a hot cocoa cart with all the fixings for your holiday party! !

Tuesday, 12/19 Winter Wonderland White Out! Hoping for snow...dress all in white! Make a school blizzard by wearing all white. The whiter the clothing you wear, the more Bradford will look like a winter wonderland.

Wednesday, 12/20 What Not to Wear Wednesday! Wear your ugliest sweater. We all have one...time to show it off! Dig up that ugly sweater and show it off to all of your friends at school. Nothing like an ugly sweater to get everyone in the holiday spirit.

Thursday, 12/21 Long Winter's Nap. Get into the holiday spirit by coming to school in your coziest sleepwear or comfiest outfit. It will be a great way to begin your long winter's nap.

Friday, 12/22 Holiday from Head to Toe! Deck out in all of your holiday gear! Go all out and show off how you celebrate the season!





PARENT CONFERENCES ARE COMING

Conferences are a great time to be able to have a one to one conversation about your student's progress - their successes and their struggles. School is a different experience for every student as they each have a unique way of handling the academic and social demands.

Want to go beyond the grade on the report card during conferences?

Many of our students present very differently in the classroom compared to at home.

Here are a few questions to support the discussion of your child as a learner at school -

- What are they most proud of? / What subject keeps them most engaged?
- Does my child ask questions?
- What happens when they get frustrated? How do they get unstuck?
- How is their stamina for reading or writing or sticking with problems that require deeper thought/multiple steps?
- Who do they typically work with? Do they prefer to work alone? Where in the room do they prefer to work?
- I could use resources to better support (insert topic/subject)

Also, please keep in mind that parents and caregivers do not have to wait until parent teacher conferences to meet with teachers. Just send an email requesting a meeting to discuss your child's needs.

Don't forget!

For all things PTA events and information, please continue to check out our website:

<https://montclairpta.org/bradford/>

Upcoming Events

12/6: Parent Teacher Conferences (abbreviated day)

12/7: Parent Teacher Conferences (abbreviated day)

12/18-12/22: Spirit Week kicks off

12/20: Winter Concert

12/22: Report Cards Posted to Parent Access (abbreviated dismissal)

12/23-1/1: Winter Recess

January 2: School Reopens