

Parent Newsletter

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September 13, 2019

A Message from the Superintendent

Generations Family Success Center is sponsoring a 4-session program for students in grades 3-5 to help students develop strong financial skills. Click [here](#) for more information!

A Message from Mr. Convery

Dear Brainerd Community,

Welcome back to a new school year. We have finished the first full week of school and it has gone very well, thank you for all your help getting the children ready for a new beginning. At John Brainerd, we are 100% dedicated to working with each and every student and parent to help our students' excel. We believe in PRIDE, which for Brainerd means: we will perform well, take responsibility, and help each child develop their own individuality, teach them to make good decisions, and provide them with the best education.

I would like to extend a very special Thank You to the Mount Holly Township Schools Maintenance and Custodial crew for helping get our school in top notch shape for the school year.

I look forward to seeing parents/guardians at our Upcoming Events:

September 19 - [Back to School night](#) from 6:00 PM-7:00 PM

[All Grades 6:00 - 6:55 pm](#)

Session 1 - 6:00 to 6:25 pm

Session 2 - 6:30 to 6:55 pm

Meet the Principal in the All Purpose Room 6:55 to 7:05 pm

[PTA Book Fair](#) - in the Library for Back to School night and every day through September 20.

Please remember attendance is one of the most important aspects in providing a prosperous education for our students. We kindly ask that you make it a priority to have your child arrive to school on time. Late arrivals disrupt the functioning of the school, as well as the instructional time of the classroom. Please, also be mindful of picking your students up prior to dismissal. Again, each time a student is called down early from class, it disrupts the instructional time for all students. If your child will be late or absent, please call 609-267-3600 and select the prompt for the attendance line to leave a message.

Guidance from Mr. Hammell

Thank you to our outstanding Mount Holly and surrounding community for donating backpacks and school supplies for our students in need. You certainly brought smiles to many faces!

Our first full week of school is in books! We look forward to a great year. Please feel free to reach out to me with any concerns, big or small as the year moves on. I can be reached at jhammell@mtholly.k12.nj.us or at extension 4027.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, September 19 - Brainerd Back To School Night

October 2 - Picture Day

October 7 - October 11 - Week of Respect

PTA Notes

Please join the REMIND app/text messaging service/email notification! Stay in touch with the school and PTA!

(3 options)

Option 1: (For smart phones only)

- open the web browser and type in and go rmd.at/johnbra
- download the remind mobile app
- follow Instructions with entering full name and phone number/ email address

Option 2: (For any phone)

- text the message @johnbra to the number 81010 (the picture below)
- ***If having trouble with that number, try texting @johnbra to (615) 678-0141

Option 3: (NO mobile phone)

- go rmd.at/johnbra on a desktop computer for email notifications

Fall Book Fair is next week! Information about it will be coming home today. Including info on how to set up eWallet, an easy way to upload funds online for your child to shop without sending in cash.

New to Scholastic this year, you can shop online right now!!! Go to: <https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/boo.../cptoolkit/homepage.do...>

We are also looking for volunteers to help the children find and purchase books during the week. You can return the volunteer form to school tomorrow or sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0D4CA8AC23A1F49-fall2>

SAVE THE DATE OCTOBER 18

A night of fun, dancing and horse betting to win some awesome raffle baskets! Halloween themed- so come dressed up if you would like! Cash bar for beer and wine. Halloween scary dessert contest. Please feel free to invite family and friends! Please purchase ticket through eventbrite for 20\$!! Or pay 25\$ at the door Purchase tickets @https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ghoulish-night-at-the-races-tickets-70631371333?aff=ebdshpsearchautocomplete&fbclid=IwAR2WQI8dZKcw6Enndukg2Pv8GT2SS-tbRpXPjG5aR6aBGhrWslpB_foSoc

Fall Picture day will be Wednesday October 2.