



Ivan G. Smith School

BULLDOG BULLETIN



B.R.A.V.E
Bulldog
Family
Central



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Mrs. Ryan's first graders starting the day with a classroom community activity!

October 2026

Dear Smith School Families,

We have had a great start to our school year! Students and staff are establishing classroom routines and expectations. In addition, children are learning about and are practicing what it means to show Bulldog B.R.A.V.E. When students get "caught" showing their B.R.A.V.E. they earn Bulldog B.R.A.V.E. stickers. During our Gatherings, we will give shout outs to students who have gone above and beyond and we will recognize their monthly effort in showing B.R.A.V.E. Thanks to our great partnership with Danvers Community Access TV(DCAT) and Ben Thomas, our Gatherings are also streamed live! Families can watch from home, and students who need a quieter environment can tune in from their classrooms. This ensures that everyone is included! Our first Bulldog Gathering was on Wednesday, September 30th at 1:30pm ~ [Live Link](#). Bulldog Gatherings are about 30 minutes long and then students get to enjoy a Frozen Treat ~ thank you, PAC!

ST MATH News: Students across Smith School are already doing an amazing job logging into ST Math, persevering through challenging puzzles, and strengthening their problem-solving skills! Our goal is for students to complete an average of 90% of the ST Math curriculum by the end of the school year. Our students have logged in and begun puzzling! Together, they have already completed **35,553 puzzles**, bringing our school-wide progress to **5%**. We are off to an amazing start and well on our way to becoming ST Math superstars!

Snack Breaks: As we establish routines and expectations for the school year, one district-wide focus is creating consistency across classrooms while making the most of our instructional time. At the same time, we recognize that students benefit from a brief brain break during the day. Daily classroom snack time is 10 minutes. Please remember to pack a refillable water bottle and just 1 to 2 healthy snack items that can be eaten within that timeframe. As always, we go outside for recess during lunch, weather permitting.

Happy October!
Ms. Powers



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REMINDERS

- If you haven't already done so, please remember to pay Chromebook Insurance
- [Food Services](#) ~ Breakfast and Lunch are FREE for all students
- If your child is going to be absent or late to school, please remember to call the Main Office: (978) 774-1350 or email smithattendance@danvers.org
- We kindly ask that students do not bring or ride bikes, scooters, or e-bikes on the playground between 3:00-5:00pm. The presence of bikes and scooters creates an unsafe environment for FUN CLUB students. Thank you for your cooperation in helping us keep our playground safe for all children.



Fifth Grade Recess!



SNAPSHOTS



Olivia is focused and hard at work!



Daniel is starting his day with poetry!



Morning routines are important in Ms. D'Andrea's classroom



Jake and Blake are exploring during Media time



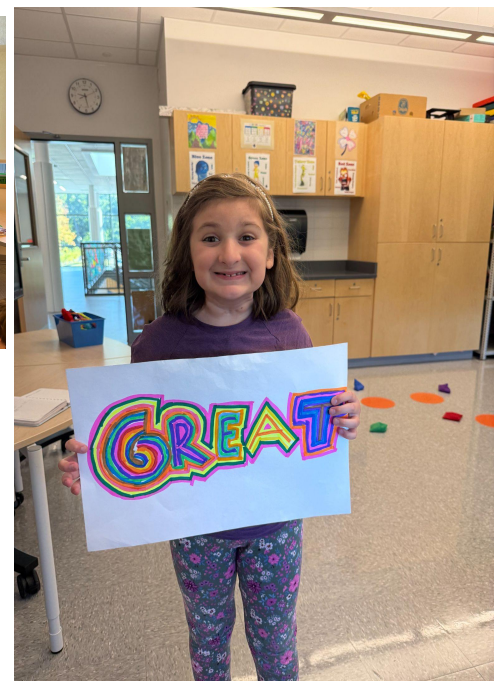
Mrs. Thompson's class starting off the day with 95%!



Hanging out with good friends!



Ms. Cunha's 1st graders checking out Ms. Powers' office!



Sophia is feeling pretty GREAT!



UPCOMING EVENTS

- 10/2 National Custodian Day ~ Thank you, Mr. Roberto!
- 10/5 MTSS Begins
- 10/5 School Committee Meeting 6:30pm / HRMS
- 10/6 Picture Day!
- 10/6 Unified Basketball Game 4:00-6:00pm/Vye Gym DHS
- 10/7 Early Release 1:15pm dismissal
- 10/8 Walk-A-Thon 9:00am
- 10/12 NO SCHOOL ~ Indigenous Peoples' Day/Columbus Day
- 10/14 PAC Meeting 6:00pm
- 10/19 Polished Dental
- 10/20 Grade 5 visits Project Adventure
- 10/23 Trunk or Treat 6:00-7:30pm ~ PAC Sponsored Event (more information to come)
- 10/28 Bulldog Gathering/Spirit Day 1:30pm (Frozen Treats too!)
- 10/30 HOWL-ing Celebration 8:45 / [Flyer](#)