

Dr. Helen Baldwin Middle School

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January 28, 2022

Good afternoon,

Happy Friday BMS families! It's hard to believe that next week will be February! Please see the following important information below:

- Please have a conversation with your students about the importance of Friday Folder communications coming home. I have heard many concerns about students not having important information from Friday folders and in discussing the concern with staff, there is a sense that students are taking communications and then throwing them out instead of bringing them home. We will continue to do our best to also make Friday Folder communications digital where possible.
- **PTO NEWS:**
 - Thank you for supporting the PTO Winter Scholastic Book Fair. \$1300 was donated to the DHBMS Library! We will have another fair in the Spring.
 - The next PTO meeting is on February 9th at 6 PM in the DHBMS Library. All are welcome! We have some great activities lined up for the Spring that will need volunteers.
 - Unfortunately, our Better Valu round-up has been cancelled due to a double-booking. We will keep you posted on a new date for this fundraiser!
- A reminder: the NECC program is happy to announce a ten-week online Parent Leadership Training through UCONN's People Empowering People curriculum through grant funding. They are accepting applications for this training **through February 7th, 2022**. Please see the flyer below for more information.
- Next Wednesday, February 2, at 6:00 PM our Baldwin boys' Basketball team will play in the championship against Pomfret, at home in the Baldwin gym. This game is not open to the public; instead, each player will have 4 tickets for 4 family members or friends, to ensure we have a safe crowd for all! Congrats to our students on such a great season!
- The 8th-grade class is selling personalized Valentine Grams to be hung on students' lockers or homeroom doors. They will be on sale during lunch, \$1 for one or 6 for \$5. This fundraiser is running from Friday 2/4 to Thursday 2/10. Please consider supporting our class of 2022!

Thank you Baldwin community and have a great weekend. As always, please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

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Principal, Dr. Helen Baldwin Middle School



THE NORTHEAST EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCIL
SERVING THE TOWNS OF BROOKLYN, CANTERBURY, KILLINGLY, PLAINFIELD, PUTNAM,
STERLING & THOMPSON

FREE ONLINE 10 WEEK People Empowering People (PEP) PARENT LEADERSHIP TRAINING



- ✓ *Do you have something you want to accomplish, but don't know where to begin?*
- ✓ *Do you want to make positive changes for yourself, your children & your community?*

Who can participate? Any parent or caregiver

Where? Online via Zoom Platform

When? Thursday evenings 6:00-8:00pm for 10 weeks: March 3, 2022 through May 12, 2022 (no session on April 21st). Tentative graduation date is June 2, 2022

How do I Sign-Up? Please scan the QR code or visit:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PEPLeadershipTraining>



Space is limited. Sign up by: Monday, February 7, 2022

What if I need more information? Please contact Shannon Haney: email: haneys@putnam.k12.ct.us or 860-963-6940.

Participation Incentives!

"PEP teaches you a lot about yourself. A huge benefit from the course was learning skills that I have continued to use in my everyday life."

Renee Toper , PEP Graduate

THESE SESSIONS WILL
FOCUS ON:

- ✓ **Values**
- ✓ **Communication Skills: verbal, non-verbal & active listening**
- ✓ **Understanding the helping role: yourself, your children & others**
- ✓ **Problem Solving**
- ✓ **Action Planning**
- ✓ **Building upon personal strengths and life experiences**

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