

Dr. Helen Baldwin Middle School

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March 4, 2022

Happy Thursday BMS families! We have a ton of information for you this weekend!

- The PTO Butterbraid sale is on! Fundraiser information went home last week with your student! The sale runs through March 14th and orders will be delivered in time for Easter. Late orders will not be accepted.
- Report cards were sent home with your students today. As students just began their second-semester specials, you will not yet see a grade for those courses.
- The 2021 - 2022 Baldwin yearbook is now on sale! The theme is outer space and the book features original student artwork. Order forms were sent home with students and should be returned to homeroom teachers. The cost of the book is ONLY \$10! If you would like to purchase the book online, you can through this link (<https://link.entourageyearbooks.com/my/baldwin2022>) which is also posted on the school website. (note that a 3% fee is added to online orders, bringing the cost to \$11.94). Please submit orders by April 14th.
- The trimester 3 Afterschool Program will begin on the week of March 14. Sign-ups and information are coming home with your student today. Permission slips are due back by next Wednesday, March 9.
- Spring pictures will be on March 16. Please note that 8th-grade pictures will be on a later date, on April 5.
- Parent/Teacher conferences are now open. Parents will have the option for in-person or virtual conferences. Please see the attached information below with links for each teacher's sign-up sheets, as well as their Zoom links for parents who choose the virtual option. PLEASE NOTE: When you sign up for a slot, please indicate your choice of in-person or virtual in the same space where you type your student's name. Conferences will run similar to our fall conferences. You will have the option to sign up for up to 3 teachers for conferences. If you are in need of speaking with the whole team, please reach out to set up a separate meeting time. The dates of the conferences will be March 10 and 11. Conferences will run in 7-minute slots. On Thursday, conferences will run from 1:30-4 PM and from 5-7 PM. On Friday, conferences will run from 1:30-3:30.
- Covid-19 test kits are being sent home today with your student. Each student will receive 2 test kits. The kits are for your use as you deem appropriate and necessary.
- The Vanta Leagues video game league will begin the spring season in April. While our winter league was provided for free, the cost for the spring season is \$180. An informational permission slip is being sent home with your student today. Please find the information attached to this email as well. If you are in need of financial assistance, please reach out to the school by Friday, March 18 to speak with Mr. Dukette.
- Penny wars begin next week! All money raised will go towards the 8th-grade class and NJHS!

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,

Mr. Dukette

Principal, Dr. Helen Baldwin Middle School



AFTER SCHOOL Program

Activity	Description	# of students
<p>Homework Club</p> <p>Open to Grades 5-8</p> <p>Monday-Ms. Zuckerman Tuesday-Ms. Doran Thursday-Ms. Zuckerman</p>	<p>This is an opportunity to get homework support or just finish your homework so you have more time to play when you get home! This club will be run by Ms. Doran and Ms. Zuckerman.</p>	<p>20 students per session</p>
<p>Dungeons and Dragons Club</p> <p>Open to Grades 7-8</p> <p>Monday-Mr. Summerer</p>	<p>Come join us for a collaborative storytelling experience where we roll dice, EXPLORE imaginative worlds, and ACT through our adventures. Dungeons and Dragons is a Tabletop Role-Playing Game set in a world of high fantasy, swords and sorcery, and mythical magic. Players take on the roles of adventurers with various skills and abilities, and are an assortment of different races, like Dwarves or Elves or Dragonborn! It is a cooperative campfire adventure that builds on every session, like turning the pages of a storybook, and the members tell the story alongside the Dungeon Master, who runs the game and fairly arbitrates the rules. Character sheets, dice, and other materials will be provided by the Dungeon Master (or DM) at the first meeting. Grab your armor and don your imagination, adventure awaits!</p>	<p>8 students per session</p>
<p>Maker's Gonna Make</p> <p>Open to Grades 5-8</p> <p>Monday-Mrs. Sweeney</p>	<p>The Makers Gonna Make club is a communal creative space where students can make, build, and create a variety of projects using K'Nex, LEGO, marbles, and KEVA Planks. Other projects can include origami, bracelet making, puzzles, and more.</p>	<p>20 students per session</p>
<p>Yearbook Club</p> <p>Open to Grades 7-8</p> <p>Thursday-Mr. Durham</p>	<p>Students will work on completing the 2021-22 Baldwin yearbook. Tasks include taking, collecting and uploading pictures, designing the yearbook using an online program, creating artwork for the yearbook, accounting and payment collection, and fundraising. A great opportunity to develop computer, photography, and collaborative skills.</p>	<p>20 students per session</p>
<p>Strategy Board Games</p> <p>Open to Grades 6-8</p> <p>Thursday- Mr. Dukette</p>	<p>Students will play strategy board games, such as Settlers of Catan, Axis and Allies, etc. We will have fun, while also building teamwork and strategy skills.</p>	<p>5-8 students per session</p>
<p>SAVE Promise Club</p> <p>Open to Grades 5-8</p> <p>Thursday- Ms. Rae</p>	<p>Students Against Violence Everywhere Students will be involved in planning kindness days within the school and completing anti-bullying activities.</p>	<p>20 students per session</p>

Trimester 3 DHBMS After School Activities Permission Slip

Please sign and return to your homeroom teacher by Tuesday, 3/8/22.

I give my child _____, grade/ homeroom _____ permission to attend after school activities on the days of the week identified below, from 3:30 to 4:30 PM. I understand that this is an extracurricular activity and will discuss appropriate behavior with my student before activities begin. Trimester 3 activities will run from March 14th through May 20th.

Check off each day your child will attend after school activities:

(List in order of preference)

_____ Monday	Activity Choice: 1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____
_____ Tuesday	Activity Choice: 1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____
_____ Thursday	Activity Choice: 1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____

My child will go home:

_____ On the bus

_____ Will be parent pickup

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Contact Number

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March 2, 2022

The spring season for Vanta Leagues esports will be starting up on April 4, 2022 and will run through June 4, 2022. Practices will be held twice a week and matches will be held on Saturdays. The practices will be held virtually on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7pm-8:30pm.

While the winter season was free for players, the cost for the spring season will be \$180. Players interested in participating in the spring season should fill out the registration form, located here: <https://form.jotform.com/220603462256146>. Checks for the spring season should be made payable to Dr. Helen Baldwin Middle School and are due to the school by March 18, 2022. If you are in need of financial assistance, please reach out to Mr. Dukette by March 18th at the latest.

Thank you,

Garrett Dukette
Principal
Dr. Helen Baldwin Middle School

ATTENTION:

A reminder that you may only sign up for up to 3 teachers for conferences. If you are in need of speaking with the whole team, please reach out to set up a separate meeting time.

Teacher	Sign-Up Link
UA/Specials Team	
Mr. Hill	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA9A92FA5F8CF8-mrhill
Mrs. Rizer	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA9A728A7FCC52-rizer
Mr. Simkowski	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA9A729AAFDC07-simkowski
Mr. Summerer	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA9A72BA4F9C70-summerer
5th and 6th Grade Team	
Blonshine	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA9A82FA1FAC52-blonshine
Brady	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA9A828A7F4C16-parent
Farland	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA8A82CA5F4C43-mrs
Messier	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA9A829A0F8C43-messier
Waters	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA9A823A2FAC07-waters
Tattersall	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA9A828AAF4C25-tattersall
7th and 8th Grade Team	
Doran	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA9A92FA7FBC07-doran
Dunshee	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA9A82EA0F9CF8-dunshee
Durham	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA9A92FA1F4C07-mrdurham
Griffin	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA9A92CA7FBC16-griffin
McQuade	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA9A82CA0F4C25-mcquade
Ramsdell	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA9A82FAAF9C34-ramsdell
Shafer	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0F4DA9AA29A6FD0-shafer
Intervention and Admin	
Aforismo	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4AAAAB22ABFBC16-math1
Dean	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AA9AB2BAAF9C25-parent
Dukette	https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4BA4AC29A0F9C70-dukette1

Teacher	Zoom Meeting ID	Zoom Meeting Password
Blonshine	989 3838 1858	KhDvm7
Brady	759 4517 0648	GAjNL4
Farland	738 0932 8907	HW2bW5
Messier	745 4300 6697	y8jR1F
Waters	726 1018 5366	41XedK
Tattersall	321 140 0945	234928
Doran	824 3717 2193	English Zoom Link: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82437172193?pwd=ZGxra29xb3J4TVozTnJiSHdPamoxUT09
Dunshee	980 2187 9264	SRADUNSHEE
Durham	797 6770 1537	V2y1fw
Griffin	998 2348 1820	griffin
McQuade	935 1981 8416	fY02Mf Join Zoom Meeting https://zoom.us/j/93519818416?pwd=L1pxL3lHUjIMMlRlMkYyVFZydExaQT09
Ramsdell	748 8440 6844	7/8 Math Zoom Link: 7/8 Math Conference Password: qi8L3G
Shafer	971 2695 9849	Join Zoom Meeting 7/8 Science Zoom Passcode: Science
Hill	839 9812 8410	PhysEd
Rizer	726 2589 3036	D6P9Ft
Simkowski	461 418 1756	Tech1
Summerer	810 465 7259	BMSBand22

Aforismo	511 442 8078	Drm38u
Dean	925 7521 4650	Reading
Dukette	847 1419 7553	ib6Jgb