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Dear Tenafly Families,

This communication pertains to the current student schedules in place for the weeks of January 11th and 18th and offers relevant district information. Thank you for your review. Additionally, this week's national events can be difficult to discuss with children. The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) encourages parents, teachers, child care providers, and others who work closely with children to filter information about this type of event and present it in a way that they can understand, adjust to, and cope with. To assist with the discussions that may be occurring in your home, we offer you the following resources:

- [When Bad Things are Happening K-12](#)
- [Sesame Street in Communities PK-3](#)
- [Sesame Workshop Social Impact Initiatives PK-3](#)

Calendar-related Items

See the [District Bell Schedules](#) for all Elementary, TMS and THS schedules for January 11-22, 2021. This information is readily available on each school's website and on the Parents' Tab and Students' Tab of our district site. **Thank you for continuing to be mindful of any separate district or school communications that may notify you of unforeseen changes to these schedules.**

January 11th and January 18th

Be reminded that schools will operate on an Early Dismissal schedule on January 11th so that our staff may participate in professional development activities during the afternoon hours. Additionally, please note that schools are closed on January 18th in observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday. There is no instruction on this date.

Food for Families and Seniors

The Tenafly Senior Center is working with [Food Brigade](#) to help feed local families in need. Food boxes feed a family of four and are available for pickup each Wednesday from 2–3:00pm at the Tenafly Senior Center. Food items change weekly and all food is Kosher.

Food can be picked up at the Tenafly Senior Center or directly from [Food Brigade](#) in Dumont. If you or someone you know can benefit from this program, please contact Linda Fritz (lfritz@tenafly.k12.nj.us) for pick up at the Tenafly Senior Center. For pick up in Dumont, please register on the [Food Brigade](#) website. You must register to pick up in Dumont.

The program will run until June 2021. For other questions or to volunteer with Food Brigade, please contact Adam Michaels, Tenafly Borough Councilman @ amichaels@tenafly.net.

Virtual Presentation: Coping with COVID

[Tenafly Stigma Free](#) is pleased to promote a virtual presentation to our community, courtesy of River Edge Stigma Free: *Coping with COVID - How to Maintain Mental Wellness During this "New Normal."* This event is designed for an adult audience and will take place via Zoom on January 14th at 7pm. You may register at the [River Edge Public Library website](#).

Health and Safety Reminders

As per guidance from the NJDOH and our local health officials, we still adhere to the 14-day quarantine recommendation as a district requirement. Contact your school's main office for more details.

We sincerely appreciate your vigilance and commitment to the health and safety of our students and staff members. Thank you for continuing to:

- **Wear face coverings when out of your home**
- **Social distance while in the presence of others**
- **Limit gatherings with others**
- **Gather in small groups**
- **Practice good hygiene, including frequent hand washing/sanitization**
- **Review the daily health attestation questions carefully and respond thoughtfully**

These and other reminders from the CDC and State of NJ can be found on our [TPS COVID Communications page](#).

Questions/Concerns

If you have any questions or concerns related to your child, please check the school/teacher websites for helpful information. If you cannot find what is needed, then contact your building principal:

- Mackay School - byoo@tenafly.k12.nj.us
- Maugham School - jferrara@tenafly.k12.nj.us
- Smith School - dgeorge@tenafly.k12.nj.us
- Stillman School - glander@tenafly.k12.nj.us
- Tenafly Middle School - jfabbo@tenafly.k12.nj.us
- Tenafly High School - jmorrison@tenafly.k12.nj.us

For assistance with district-related technology, email: techsupport@tenafly.k12.nj.us

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In closing, I wish a happy new year to all. May 2021 provide each of you with the very best it has to offer.

Yours in Education,

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