



GIDNEY AVENUE MEMORIAL SCHOOL PRE-K PROGRAM

NEWS LETTER

FEBRUARY 2026



PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Dear Pre-K Families,

Happy February! We are excited for another month of learning, growing, and having fun together. February may be a short month, but it is packed with meaningful moments in our classroom.

This month, our Pre-K friends will be exploring themes of kindness, friendship, and love. Through stories, art projects, music, and play, we'll be practicing how to be caring friends and learning how our actions can make others feel happy and included. We'll also continue strengthening important skills like letter recognition, counting, fine motor development, and following classroom routines.

Winter weather is still with us, so please remember to send your child dressed for the season, especially on colder days. Extra layers and clearly labeled items are always helpful.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership. We truly appreciate all that you do at home to reinforce learning and routines. If you ever have questions or need anything, please don't hesitate to reach out.

We're looking forward to a wonderful February with your amazing children!

Warm regards,
Janavette Urena
Co-Principal
Gidney Avenue Memorial School

UPCOMING EVENTS



DISTRICT CLOSED
2/16/26 - 2/18/26

MONDAY- PRESIDENT'S DAY
TUESDAY- LUNAR NEW YEAR
WEDNESDAY- SUPERINTENDENT'S
CONFERENCE DAY



MID-HUDSON MUSEUM VISIT
GAMS
2/20/26

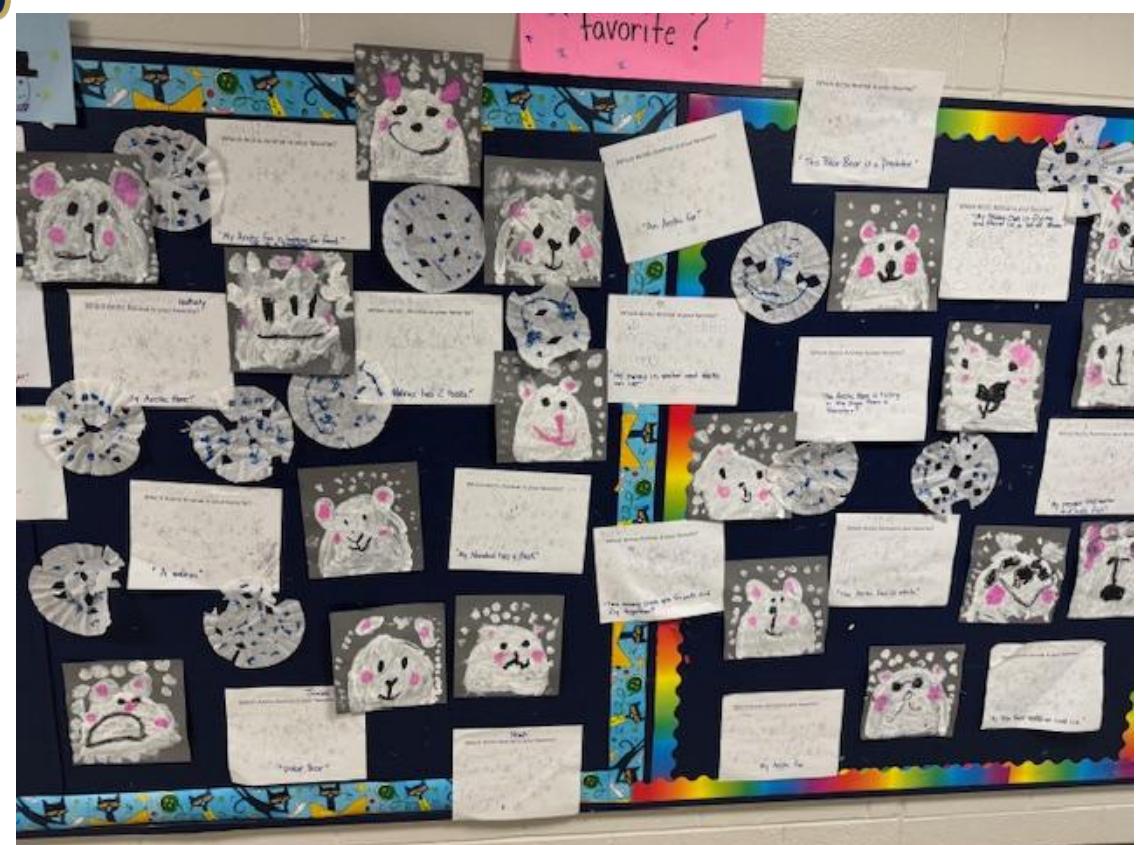
Students will learn all about
Bubbles



PRE-K INFORMATION SESSION #2
5:00 PM
2/25/26

Please share! This information session is for all NEW Pre-K students for the 2026-2027 School Year. The child **MUST** turn 4 years old by December 1, 2026

KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION SESSION
6:00 PM
2/25/26
GAMS CAFETERIA



PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE CONTINUED

We would like to remind you that **Kindergarten selection began on January 5**. It is very important that you complete the Kindergarten selection survey and **rank your top three school choices**.

Please note:

- **Students do not automatically remain at the same school they attended for Pre-K.**
- If you do **not** complete the survey, **your child will be assigned to a school**.

Completing this process ensures that your preferences are considered for your child's Kindergarten placement.

Additionally, there will be a **Kindergarten Information Session on February 25 at 6:00 PM** for families of students entering Kindergarten in September.

⚠ Please note the time carefully:

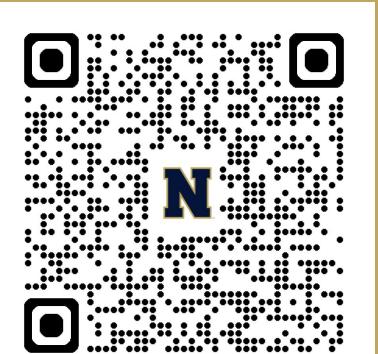
- The **5:00 PM session is for incoming Pre-K students** and is **not** intended for current Pre-K families.
- Families of Pre-K students should attend the **6:00 PM Kindergarten session**.

Thank you for your attention to this important process. If you have any questions or need assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out.

DISTRICT NEWS

SUPERINTENDENT'S CONVERSATIONS SERIES

Dr. Jackie Manning Campbell, Superintendent of Schools, would like to hear from you! Please complete this brief survey, so her upcoming [Community Conversations Series](#) is tailored for our families! We look forward to collaborating with our families as educational partners.



TEXTING BEGINS!

The district will begin sending texting messages this fall. To receive the messages, make sure your cell phone number is correct in the cell phone field. The number can be listed twice if that is your primary number. All parents/guardians who wish to receive a text should make sure their number is listed in the correct spot in their personal Parent Portal Account.

WALL CALENDARS

Wall calendars will be distributed to the youngest and only child of each family soon. You will find it in your child's backpack. Families can always add letter days and school/district events to their Google calendar for the most up to date information.