Hello, Bret Harte Community!

*SkyArt is donating 50 bags of art supplies, as well as food on Monday, December 14th starting at 10:30am at the door on the patio past the main office. Supplies will be given out on a first come, first serve basis.

*My Very Own Library from the University of Chicago has delivered a bag of 10 books for every student in grades PreK-8th grade. Books can be picked up anytime between 9am and 2pm through December 18th at the door on the patio past the main door...follow the cones.

*Please join us in caring for our Bret Harte families and uplift the mutual aid efforts in our community! If you wish to donate school supplies (such as crayons, markers, pens, pencils), cleaning wipes/sprays, and personal hygiene products, we will continue to accept your donations at the school Monday through Thursday between 8:30am and 3:30pm. There will be a box just inside the main door.

*Grocery pick-up will be this Friday, December 11th. Groceries will be available to the school community after 10:30am at the side door off Stony Island.

Updated Parent Virtual Expectations and Etiquette
Parents, please review these expectations and adjust as needed:

1. Please monitor your child(ren) during instruction. Regularly pop in and look at what’s on their screen. We’re noticing an increase in instant messaging and students turning cameras off and not responding when called on.
2. Let your child be the student. Teachers need to know what students know and understand. They know parents are brilliant already ;)
3. Be aware that your child’s will be unmuted during the course of live instruction, so please be mindful of background noise, conversation and explicit language.
4. Remember, teachers are not available to hold conversations with parents during live instruction. Those conversations should be held during the teachers’ office hours.
5. Please do not unmute to show your displeasure or disagreement with teachers. Remember, adults model behavior for students.
6. Please try not to disrupt your child’s schedule unless it is very important. Students will perform better if they participate in live instruction where they are able to ask questions.
7. Everyone who might appear on camera needs to be fully clothed.
*ART UPDATE:
Hello ART Students and Parents! It is progress report time again. I need for all of the students to post their artwork on the stream, especially if they do not have their screen on during class. There is now a written assignment option available for students in grades 6/7/8 to complete as an alternative to the art activities. All assignments need to be completed, submitted, and graded in order to receive full credit. If you have any questions, Mrs. Floyd can be reached via remind or email at kfloyd10@cps.edu

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Wednesday, December 9th- LSC Meeting at 5:30pm via Zoom

Tuesday, December 15th- PAC Meeting at 4:00pm via Google Meet or join by phone 413-758-2846 PIN: 859 814 015

Friday, December 18th- Progress Reports will be mailed

Monday, December 21st- Friday, January 1st – Winter Break

Monday, January 11th - PreK & Cluster Students Return (Reopening Plan for Parents)

Monday, February 1st - Kindergarten to 8th Grade Return (more information to come regarding pod assignments and schedule).