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Dear Families of PS 163,

We the students of PS 163 pledge to follow the Three Bees: Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Safe.

The PBIS team is excited to welcome you back to school!

What is PBIS?

- Positive Behavior Intervention System (PBIS)
- A research-based, school-wide systems approach to improve school climate and create safer and more effective schools
- Focuses on improving a school's ability to teach expectations and support positive behavior for all students

What does this look like at PS 163?

- Three Bee Pledge
- Classroom Positive Reward System
- Student of the Month
- Spirit Days
- Monthly Character Traits
- Check In Check Out (CICO)

How can families support at home?

- Use common language of the Three Bee Pledge
- Engage with your child around the monthly character traits
- Participate in Spirit Days
- Ask your child about Second Step lessons

PBIS thanks you for your support. We are so excited to make this a part of our school year.

Thank you,



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Monthly Character Education Quotes

September: Responsibility

"Do what you'll say you'll do." -Unknown

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October: Acceptance

"If you don't like something, change it. If you can't change it, change your attitude." -Maya Angelou

November: Gratitude

"Thankfulness may consist merely of words. Gratitude is shown in acts." -Henri Frederic Amiel

December: Consideration

"A little consideration, a little thought for others, makes all the difference." -A. A. Milne

January: Respect

"Treat people the way you want to be treated. Talk to people the way you want to be talked to. Respect is earned, not given." -Hussein Nishah

February: Kindness

"Kindness is a language which the blind can see and the deaf can hear." -African Proverb

March: Patience

"Patience is not the ability to wait, but how you act while you're waiting." -Joyce Meyer

April: Perseverance

"Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts." -Winston Churchill

May: Sportsmanship

"Win or lose, carry yourself with pride." -Unknown

June: Courage

""It takes courage for people to listen to their own goodness and act on it." - Pablo Casals

-Your PBIS team









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Spirit Days 2024-2025

September

Friday, 9/27 - Beekeeper: Wear your 163 gear and school colors

October

- Wednesday 10/16 Beekeeper: Wear your 163 gear and school colors (orange and yellow)
- Friday 10/18 Breast Cancer Awareness Day: Wear PINK
- Thursday 10/31 Fall Spirit Day: Wear a costume

November

- Friday 11/8 Veterans Day: Wear camo or red, white, and blue for Veterans Day
- Wednesday 11/13 Beekeeper: Wear your 163 gear and school colors (orange and yellow)

December

- Wednesday 12/18 Beekeeper: Wear your 163 gear and school colors (orange and yellow)
- Friday 12/20 Holiday/Winter Spirit Day: Wear your "ugly sweater, crazy holiday socks, etc.

January

- Friday 1/3 Pajama Day
- Wednesday 1/22 Beekeeper: Wear your 163 gear and school colors (orange and yellow)

February

- Tuesday 2/4 World Cancer Day: Wear LAVENDER
- Monday 2/10- Sports Day
- Friday 2/14 Valentine's Day: Wear RED/PINK
- Wednesday 2/26 Beekeeper: Wear your 163 gear and school colors (orange and yellow)

March

- Spirit Week
 - Monday 3/10 Grade Colors
 (PreK/Kindergarten: JEANS/DENIM; 1st Grade: RED; 2nd Grade: BLACK; 3rd Grade: BLUE; 4th
 Grade: GREEN; 5th Grade: WHITE; Out of Classroom/Administration: TIE DYE)
 - Tuesday 3/11 Fun Sock Day
 - Wednesday 3/12 Mismatch Day
 - Thursday 3/13 Pajama Day
 - o Friday 3/14 Beekeeper: Wear your 163 gear and school colors (orange and yellow)
- Monday 3/20 St. Patrick's Day: Wear green

April

- Tuesday 4/1 Autism Awareness Day: Wear BLUE
- Wednesday 4/23 Beekeeper: Wear your 163 gear and school colors (orange and yellow)
- Friday 4/25 Animal Day: Wear something with animal print or like an animal

May

- Wednesday 5/14 Beekeeper: Wear your 163 gear and school colors (orange and yellow)
- Friday 5/23 "B" Day: Wear things that start with the letter B

June

- Tuesday 6/3 Pride Month: Wear tie dye or rainbow
- Wednesday 6/4 163rd Day of School TBD
- Wednesday 6/18 Beekeeper: Wear your 163 gear and school colors (orange and yellow)

