



Spencer Borden Elementary School

Kate Cobb, Principal
George Ackley, Vice Principal

1400 President Avenue
Fall River, MA 02720
508-675-8200 / 508-675-8202

Derek George, SAC
Allison Farias, Dept. Chair

1/9/18

Winter Weather: During the winter weather please send students to school with winter coats, gloves, and hats. As long as the temperature is above 32 degrees we have students outside for recess fun.

Families in need – If your family requires assistance obtaining a winter coat or sneakers for your child please contact our school adjustment counselor, Derek George dgeorge@fallriverschools.org. We work with some local agencies which can help.

Arrival & Dismissal– Students enter through the Chestnut Street door in the morning and there is staff to assist with arrival until 8:35. If your child arrives after 8:35 please come to the office and accompany your child into the school. Please do not just drop your child off at the office. We need to make sure students are getting safely to class and checking into the office if they arrive after 8:35. **The Chestnut Street driveway should only be used for handicap access both at the beginning and end of the day. We ask that you follow these rules in order to keep students safe and that you not block the driveway at the beginning and end of the day for families that do require handicap access parking spaces.**

Basketball for Grades 4 & 5 – All students in grades 4 and 5 on the basketball team will continue with practices on Wednesdays from 3:00-4:00. The game schedule has gone home and we look forward to cheering our friends on!

ACCESS for ELLS Test – All students who receive ELL services will be taking the statewide ACCESS test between January 4th – February 7th.

MCAS Testing Dates: Below is the MCAS testing dates for students in grades 3-5. A finalized schedule will be released closer to the testing window, however please do not schedule family vacations during MCAS testing. As a reminder all vacations should be scheduled during school breaks.

<i>ELA</i>	<i>Grades 3-5</i>	<i>April 2nd – May 4th</i>
<i>MATH</i>	<i>Grades 3-5</i>	<i>April 3rd – May 5th</i>
<i>SCIENCE</i>	<i>Grade 5</i>	<i>April 4th– May 25^h</i>

PTO UPDATES: Check out the “Spencer Borden Parents and Guardians of Students” Facebook page for updates on school events. **Our next PTO meeting is on Wednesday, January 10th at 5:30.**

Upcoming Important Dates:

- No school on Monday, January 15th in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- Professional Development Day on Friday, February 2nd. No school for students on this day.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact us.
Mrs. Cobb
kcobb@fallriverschools.org