

# THE BOLT

## WEEKLY FAMILY NEWSLETTER

### Daily Attendance

Attendance continues to be taken daily through Bridge Builders' interaction with the teacher and Google Classroom. This includes, but is not limited to attending live teaching sessions, answering the Morning Meeting question, turning in assignments, or communication with the teacher. We understand family work schedules and other situations can make logging on during school hours difficult at times, thus we are accepting daily assignments until **8pm**.

### Ongoing Tech Support

We are continuing to host our weekly Technology Q&A on Tuesdays from 2 - 3pm. Please use this link to join us on Google Meet: [BPCS Technology Q&A](#).

For any technological support, please reach out to us at [mainoffice@bridgeprepcharter.org](mailto:mainoffice@bridgeprepcharter.org). A member of our team will get back to you as quickly as possible.



## Changes to Live Teaching!

Thank you to every single family who was able to join us for our Virtual BPCS Family Association Meeting. We truly value your feedback and continued partnership.

**Beginning on Monday, May 4th, we will begin daily live teaching sessions.** Each classroom teacher will host **two** ELA sessions, **two** Math sessions, and **one** Connect session. Connect sessions are an opportunity for your Bridge Builders to interact with each other while teachers facilitate an activity to help them make connections during this time. **Teachers will send session times to you by Wednesday, April 29th.** Teachers will also begin posting lesson materials on Google Classroom the evening before at 4pm.

As per orders from Governor Cuomo, NY schools will remain physically closed through **May 15th**, and we will continue with virtual learning. As updates change, we will keep you up to date.





### Family Self-Care Corner

Your family's health and safety is our top priority! The Child Mind Institute is offering resources for your family. Visit them below:

[Child Mind Institute COVID-19 Family Support Website](#)

Visit Ms. G's Social Emotional Learning Google Classroom for more activities and resources.

### Virtual Spirit Days

Please keep the virtual spirit day pictures coming! Take a look at next week's themes:

#### April 27 - Essential Worker Day

Create a poster or card thanking all the essential workers.

#### April 29 - Social Distance Twin Day

Social distancing won't stop us! Dress like a friend.

#### May 1 - Spring Color Wars

Bring on the sunshine. Wear your favorite spring colors. All pastels are welcome!

### Building Bold, Bright, and Unique Bridges

This week we are shouting out Mr. Castanza for organizing our donation to our friends at Richmond University Medical Center. They will repurpose our brand new BPCS ponchos as PPE for nurses, doctors, and other medical staff. The ponchos were meant to protect us from the rain this spring, but we couldn't be happier knowing they might be able to protect our community's heroes as they continue to bring sunshine to those in need.

Thank you to all of those working so hard to make sure we can all be together soon, especially all of our Bridge Prep families who are essential workers. We are so thankful for you!

### Upcoming Virtual Town Hall Meetings

Stay tuned for an invitation with details about our upcoming Virtual Town Hall Meeting for you, your Bridge Builder, and their teachers. Mr. Castanza will host these evening meetings and specific log-in information will be shared with you next week!

**Grade 1 will be held on Monday, May 4, 2020.**

**Grade 2 will be held on Thursday, May 7, 2020.**

### The Next Two Weeks...

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
27 Live Teaching Sessions	28	29 Live Teaching Sessions	30	1 Live Teaching Sessions
4 Live Teaching Sessions Grade 1 Virtual Town Hall	5 Live Teaching Sessions	6 Live Teaching Sessions	7 Live Teaching Sessions Grade 2 Virtual Town Hall	8 Live Teaching Sessions

