

Dear Roger Clap Families,

Our school has prioritized developing our capacity to engage our community in Restorative Justice Practices. Black Lives Matter in School defines *Restorative Justice* as the following:

Restorative Justice is the commitment to building a loving community that is sustainable and growing. If someone in the community hurts someone else, we focus on communicating, understanding and solving the problem instead of on punishment.

This is not easy work and does not change overnight. We continue to find ways to ensure that individuals who cause harm are given ample ways to reflect, receive additional support, and ensure that there are consequences to match the harm caused. Equally important, we are ensuring that individuals who experience harm receive care, attention, and opportunities to identify what they need in order to feel safe and respected in the community. We practice these principles through 1:1 and small group restorative conversations, through facilitated interactions in the community, and through weekly circles where students and staff engage in building community. Please ask your learner about these practices and reach out to us with any questions you may have.



We will be celebrating the 100th Day of School on Tuesday, February 14th. Our community will be honoring all the ways we've grown as learners and community members since September! Your learner is welcome to "dress up" as someone who is 100 years old - to celebrate that genius and brilliance grow and grow as we age!

In partnership,
Emma Fialka-Feldman, Roger Clap Elementary Principal



Tear off & Return the slip below to join us for our family events THIS Thursday, Feb. 9.

Learner's Name: _____ Grade: _____

of Family Members Joining: _____

Please select from the following.

Camp Fair learn about free & low cost day camp & overnight camps) - 4:30-6:30

Social and Emotional Support Workshop for Families from 5:30-6:30

We can't attend. Please call us with more information!

I will meet my learner at school at 5:15pm. They will NOT take the bus home.



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