

SAMPLE ROOM PARENT NEWSLETTER

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Dear 1-B Families:

We are looking forward to being the 1-B Room Parents this year, and providing you with important information about Ms. BestTeacher's classroom and upcoming events.

We are sending all newsletters this year through the Membership Toolkit database. If you have not logged into [Membership Toolkit](#) and updated your child's teacher, please take a moment to confirm you are assigned correctly. Membership Toolkit class lists are also a great resource for birthday party invitations and playdates; please make sure that your email, classroom teacher, and publishing preferences are updated for 2023!

Classroom Dues: We are asking each family in the class to contribute \$20 this year (the amount recommended by the PTO) to cover classroom expenses that will arise throughout the year.

The classroom dues are different from the PTO dues, and will be used in the classroom only. Our classroom dues will primarily be used for holiday and year-end gifts from the class for Ms. BestTeacher (and aide teachers). If there are leftover funds after the teacher gifts, we will use the funds for any additional classroom needs or class projects that may arise over the year. We are hoping for 100 percent class participation but if you are not able to give \$20, you may contribute whatever amount you feel comfortable giving. The money will be used for Ms. Bernier's class only. Please send classroom dues to ROOMPARENT@venmo or you can send a check to ROOMPARENT ADDRESS by October 31.

Holiday Sharing: [Ask your grade teacher if they would like to do holiday sharing this year. Families who want to do holiday shares could read a story to the class, share a favorite family recipe with the class, share a favorite song, or bring in a crafts project to share with the classroom. If your teacher would like to include holiday shares you could include this section in the first newsletter.] Ms. Bernier would love to have parents share special holidays (such as Halloween, Thanksgiving, Chanukah, Christmas, Kwanzaa, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Valentine's Day, St. Patrick's Day, Easter, Passover, and any others!). Please let Ms. Bernier know if you would like to share a special holiday with the class and she will coordinate a time for you to share. Please remember that all parents and caregivers who would like to go into the classroom this year will need to make sure that they have an up to date CORI/SORI in the front office.

Contacting Ms. BestTeacher: Ms. BestTeacher may be contacted by email (best_Teacher@newton.k12.ma.us), or by calling the main office at 617-559-6750.

Wish List: Ms. BestTeacher would really appreciate the following items for the classroom. It would be great if each family could send one of any of the items below in with your child in October!

- Clorox disinfecting wipes (to wipe down tables before and after lunch and snack)

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- ● Pack of Expo markers (thin with eraser on cap)
- ● Pack of Crayola thin markers
- ● Pack of Crayola Twistable Colored Pencils
- ● Set of glue sticks
- ● Box of ziploc bags (sandwich and gallon size)
- ● Hand sanitizer
- ● Tissues

Please periodically check out Ms. BestTeacher's website for her current wish list:

http://www2.newton.k12.ma.us/~beth_bernier/?OpenItemURL=S0B4A0A9B

Upcoming School Events:

If you have any questions or ideas for the classroom, please feel free to reach out to us at any time.

Thanks! So and so (*your names here*)