Buzz Aldrin Mission Statement:
We believe that all students can learn, achieve, and grow, in a safe and secure environment.

• **Women’s History Month**: Women’s History Month began on Wednesday, March 1st. We kicked off Women’s History Month with our staff members reading daily morning announcements that will educate our students about the history of Women’s History Month as well as by highlighting various women who’ve changed the course of history or who’ve made historical contributions to society. The students will also participate in advisories and classroom lessons throughout the month in their homerooms and in their classes.

• **PTA Updates:**
  o **ANNOUNCING-- 2nd Buzz Family Ice Skating Party-- March 26th 4:30-6:15 pm** -Our second ice skating party will take place at Clary Anderson on Saturday March 26th at 4:30. Buzz students, siblings, parents and caregivers, teachers and staff are all invited. No friends or neighbors please.
    ▪ Register here to participate-- it's Free!!!
      https://signup.com/go/VFHVbCu
  o **REGISTER FOR THE COLOR RUN!** Enjoy a memorable morning of fitness, cultural immersion, and fun with your family while supporting our school! When you sign up for AAPI Montclair’s Color Run at Brookdale Park on April 16 and enter the code [BUZZALDRIN] at check-out, 10% of your race fees will be donated to our school. This event combines two joyous festivals. Holi is popularly known as the “Festival of Colors" and the "Festival of Spring." On Holi, entire towns are bathed in vivid colors as people play Holi by splashing colored powder and water. Songkran in Thai means "to move" or "change place." Thai believe that water is purifying; it cleanses one of any bad luck from the past year, and blesses one with good fortune and happiness for the year ahead. On Songkran, people celebrate by engaging in water play. Runners and walkers will enjoy a closed course inside Brookdale Park and be splashed with colored powder and water (optional). Choose between the 5k (8:30am) or 1-mile fun run (9:30am). Fees are $30 for the 5k and $25 for the 1-mile fund run before March 20 ($35 for 5k and $30 for 1-mile run after that date) and include a race t-shirt and online registration closes
April 6. (Note: confidential fee waivers available; please email wendy.wong@aapimontclair.org for the code.) Hope to see you there!

- **Event**
  - **URL:** [https://runsignup.com/Race/NJ/Montclair/AAPIMontclairColorRun](https://runsignup.com/Race/NJ/Montclair/AAPIMontclairColorRun)
  - **Code to enter at checkout:**
    - School: Buzz Aldrin Middle School
    - Code: BUZZALDRIN

- **Side Door Update:** Side Door is up and running for 2023! Please see the information below regarding Side Door. Below this email is the link for our Side Door online registration sheet which is up and running. The link will take parents/guardians and students to the Side Door website which has information regarding days when we are open, direct link to the online registration, as well as a donation link. Please note that students who have handed in a hard copy of the registration do not need to register online. Also, please feel free to ask with regards to any questions or concerns you may have regarding the updated website link. We look forward to serving your student's again in the upcoming months. Have a wonderful rest of your week.
  - **Side Door Registration Link:** [https://www.unioncong.org/children-youth/side-door](https://www.unioncong.org/children-youth/side-door)

**Next Week’s Schedule of Days**
- Monday, March 6th – B Day
- Tuesday, March 7th – C Day
- Wednesday, March 8th – D Day
- Thursday, March 9th – E Day
- Friday, March 10th – F Day

**Please mark your calendars:**
- Thursday, March 23rd – Curriculum Thursday, Abbreviated Day Schedule
- Wednesday, March 29th – Abbreviated Day Schedule, Conferences
- Thursday, March 30th – Abbreviated Day Schedule, Conferences

“The longer I live, the more I observe that carrying around anger is the most debilitating to the person who bears it.”

— Katharine Graham

"Find out who you are and do it on purpose."
— Dolly Parton