

Alternative Schools

How does SW-PBIS
work here?

Including Students: Goal Setting, Progress Monitoring & Transition

This session will focus on the process of involving students to become more responsible for their academic and social/behavioral success.

The following will be addressed:

- Collaborative identification of social/behavioral and academic goals,
- Tracking social/behavioral and academic progress
- Communicating progress to sending school
- Collaborative planning and implementation of transition activities

Alternative School

Definition and What Beacon Looks Like

In the United States, an alternative school is one that serves students who are not experiencing success in traditional schools. Most middle/high school students would be considered at risk for dropping out.

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Data, Systems, Practices

Challenges faced in the Alternative Setting

Majors/Minors

Majors: Beacon Criticals

Typical: Elopement, Physical Aggression

Minors: Daily Behavior Sheets

Individual, vary from student to student

Individual student goal setting

Beacon: Individual Student Lifeskills, what brought you here.

Staff Buy-In:

Small number of staff doesn't necessarily mean that consensus is any easier than a large staff.

Meeting daily after students are dismissed contributes to "leaving it at the table."

Beacon's SW-PBS Team

Collaborative identification of social/behavioral and academic goals,
Tracking social/behavioral and academic progress



Beacon:

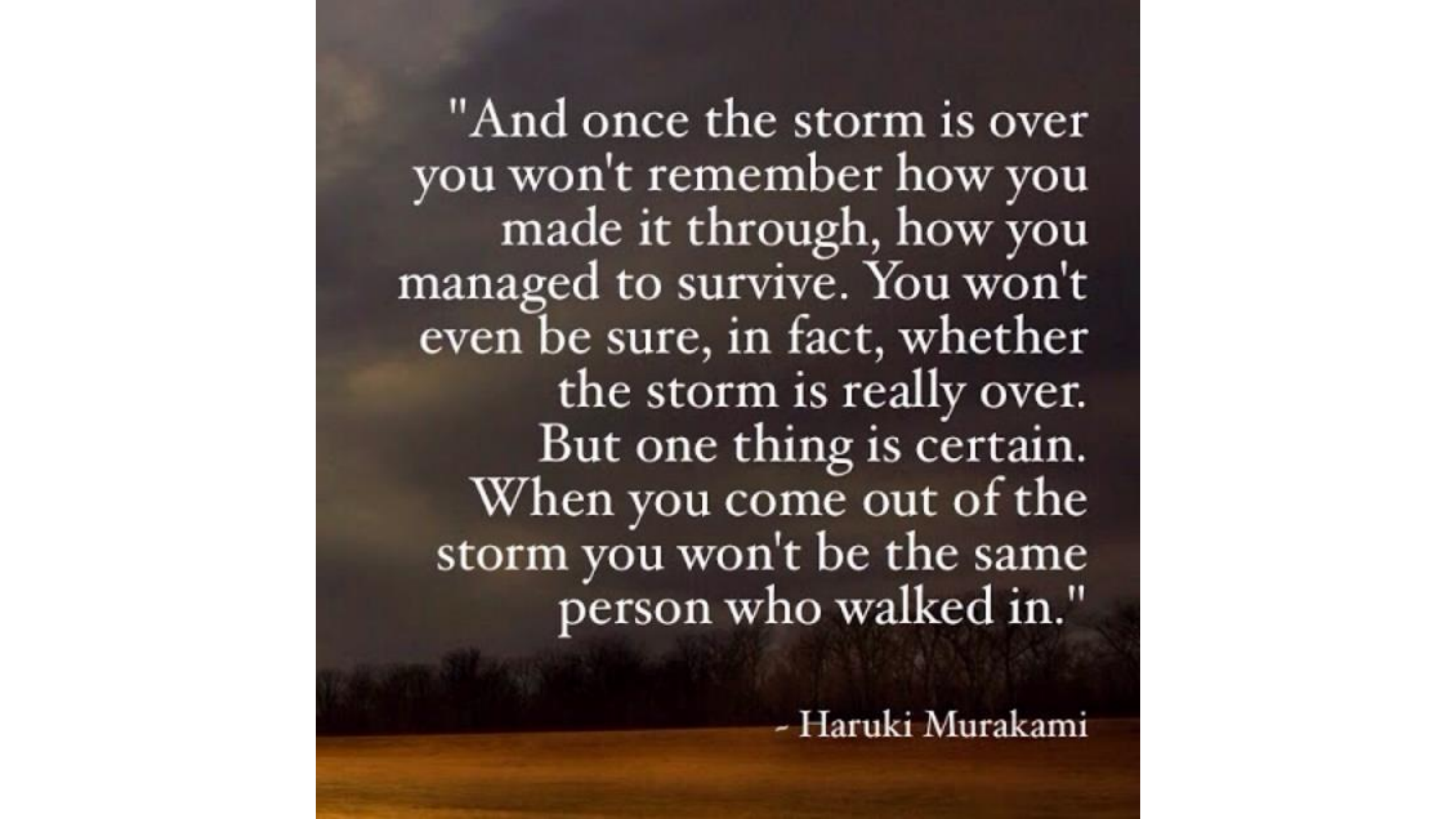
**Shining a light on
futures, one student
at a time.**



Transition: Return to Traditional School

- Communicating progress to sending school
- Collaborative planning and implementation of transition activities



The background of the image is a dark, moody landscape. The top half shows a heavy, grey sky with some lighter patches, suggesting a storm or a very overcast day. Below the sky, there is a dark silhouette of a line of trees or bushes. The bottom portion of the image is a solid, dark brown or black color, which serves as the background for the text.

"And once the storm is over
you won't remember how you
made it through, how you
managed to survive. You won't
even be sure, in fact, whether
the storm is really over.
But one thing is certain.
When you come out of the
storm you won't be the same
person who walked in."

- Haruki Murakami

Questions????

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