

RAIDER NEWS

W. D. RICHARDS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

NOVEMBER 2013



The Principal's Corner

Dear Richards Families:

I can't believe it is already November! We have enjoyed so many successes during the first nine weeks of school. It has been very enjoyable to watch your children grow and learn. November and December are very busy months with the start of basketball and cheerleading as well as holiday activities. Please check the calendar for upcoming events. As the weather changes, please encourage your child to wear appropriate clothes for the colder temperatures. We go outside each day at recess unless it is below 20 degrees. Students have been doing a good job of being responsible for their coats and jackets but we still have several lost and found items located in the back lobby by the cafeteria. Also, as we approach weather changes, please listen to the radio or television for delay or snow day information. You may also check the BCSC website. With weather changes it is also important to remember that students cannot enter the building until 7:45 for breakfast or 8:00 to go to classrooms every morning. Please try to drop your children off closer to the designated times so they will not have to stand outside in the cold weather.

Congratulations to the members of our basketball, cheerleading and dance squads. I know the players and coaches have been working hard preparing for the upcoming season. It takes a lot of hard work to keep up with schoolwork and attend practices and games. I would like to thank the parents of these student athletes for making sure school work comes first.

Congratulations to Richards students for excellent attendance for the first nine week grading period. Our school attendance thus far this year is 98.32% which means we are on pace to meet our goal for attendance this school year. Hopefully our excellent attendance continues.

I continue to be amazed by the contributions of so many parents and staff members. Richards is a wonderful school thanks to your efforts. I welcome your participation in your child's school and look forward to seeing you at the next PTO meeting or school event. Please feel free to call me at 376-4311 or stop by the office if you have comments or concerns. I enjoy talking with you and care about your kids.

Mr. Darin Sprong

News From the Media Center



November is an exciting month here in the library!

Our annual book fair begins on November 1st and runs through November 8th culminating with the ever popular Family Night during the Fall Festival. Family Night hours are from 5:30 – 8:00 P.M. Stop in and purchase your child's favorite books and have your student register to win one of three door prizes. If you are not able to attend the Friday night event, we've got you covered. You can order online from Scholastic and Richards still receives the credit for your purchase! Online shopping begins on October 27 and runs through November 16th. Go to: <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/richardselementaryschool1> and check out our homepage and all of the exciting books available for purchase. Christmas is just around the corner. Books make great gifts!

Also in November we have the unique opportunity to visit with a former Richards' student who is now an author and illustrator of her own series of children's books, "Molly and the Magic Suitcase". Amy Houston-Oler and her husband Chris will be coming to Richards on Thursday, November 14 to talk to students in grades K-2 about how they can be authors and illustrators. I will be reading two of Amy and Chris's books to your children during their library time. Students will have the opportunity to purchase copies of their books on that day. Information will be coming home soon with your children.

If you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call!

Thanks.

Pennie Snider – Library/Media Center Assistant.

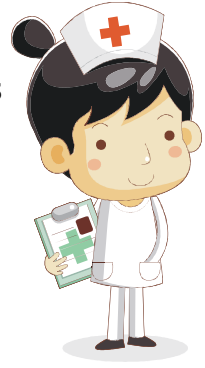
Annual Book Fair is Here!

November 1st - 8th in the school library.
November 8th - Family Night at Fall Festival



Nurse Notes

Vision screenings have been completed for grades 1, 3, and 5 as required by the State of Indiana. If your child brought home a referral, and you have questions, please call the nurse, Mrs. Smith, @ 376-4445. Financial resources are available.



Please encourage your child to cover their nose/mouth when coughing or sneezing, and to wash their hands as needed. A student must be fever free for 24 hours, without any fever-reducing medication, before they should return to school. If a student has 2 or more episodes of diarrhea and/or vomiting in a 24 hour period, they need to be kept home until symptoms are gone. Health policies may be found starting on page 15 of the student handbook. When in doubt if your child should come to school, please call the nurse at 376-4445.

A reminder to parents, all medication **MUST** be brought to the nurse by an adult. Children are not allowed to bring medication to school. This includes pills, creams, sprays, etc. **COUGH DROPS ARE NOT ALLOWED AT SCHOOL!** They are a potential choking hazard.

If your child has borrowed clothes from the clinic, please return those items as soon as they have been laundered. The clinic is running low on both small and medium sizes in boys



Music Notes



Richards' annual Veteran's Day program will be Monday, November 11 at 9:00 a.m. Students in grades 4-6 will present the program, which will be attended by the full school. Family and friends, especially our honored veterans, are welcome to attend the event to join our school in giving thanks to those who have served our country.

Please consider submitting a photo of a special veteran to be part of our Veteran's Day slideshow. You may either e-mail the photo to luekenm@bcsc.k12.in.us or send a hard copy in an envelope to Mrs. Lueken. She will scan it and return it to you. Please include the name of the veteran, military branch, years served, and their relationship to any Richards' students in your e-mail or envelope. Please submit photos by November 7.



Don't forget to set your clocks back an hour on Sunday, November 3rd.

W. D. Richards Elementary School PTO

FALL FESTIVAL

Sponsored by PTO

Bring your family & come join the FUN!!

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2013 at 5:30 pm

At Richards Elementary School

Chili /Hotdogs/Nachos

Carnival Games / Prizes

Silent Auction

Bake Sale

FUN!

Silent Auction at the Fall Festival

We are still receiving donations for this event. An updated list should come home next week with your student.

Some of the highlights include the following:

*Disney World Tickets

*One week stay at condo in Gulf Shores

*choice of 42" TV... OR.... Dyson vacuum (MainSource Bank)

*Indianapolis Zoo membership

*Live Nation, Klipsch Music Center tickets

*Holiday World tickets

*Otter Creek Golf Course package

*Ceraland annual membership

*Frasier Chiropractic & Sports Clinic – MVP special

*Cosco 17' multi-position ladder

PLUS many, many more..... including gift cards and tickets from various restaurants/entertainment places.

**** Also, each grade level has put together an item/basket for the silent auction event. There are lots of great and memorable surprises to be seen!**

COME CHECK IT ALL OUT ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH!!!

PTO still needs YOUR Help and/or Donations to make the Fall Festival event a success!

Our goal is to continue the success that we have been blessed to achieve! **YOU** help make this possible! Volunteer request forms have been sent home for bake sale items and workers for the night of the event. PLEASE return those forms as soon as possible!

In addition, we are short on some donations for the event. We still need the following items to be donated:

- 8 (12 pack) sprite**
- 8 (12 pack) diet pepsi or diet coke**
- 4 (12 pack) root beer**
- 8 packages of juice boxes/pouches**
- 6 boxes of nacho chips (from Sam's/ Rural King)**
- 3 cans of nacho cheese**
- 10 bags of shredded cheddar cheese**
- 10 boxes of saltine crackers OR bags of oyster crackers**
- 2 bottles of relish**
- 2 bottles of ketchup**
- 2 bottles of mustard**
- 2 jars jalapenos**
- 3 boxes (100 count) spoons**
- 350 dum dum suckers**

All donations will need to be at school by Thursday.

TOGETHER – we can do this! Please respond to me directly with any donations that you are able to send. Monetary donations are also welcome.

Kelly Harmon

mikellyharmon@yahoo.com

(812)579-9401 or Text me @ (765)242-8456

THANK YOU!!! THANK YOU!!! THANK YOU!!!

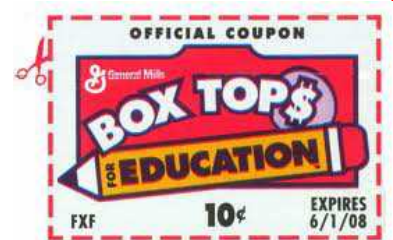


Labels for Education and Box Tops for Education Contests

The student collecting the most Box Tops was Gage Riley. The student collecting the most Campbell's Labels was Gavin Foley. Both students will receive a Chuck E. Cheese gift card.

Mrs. Fraiser's class wins a treat party for collecting the most Box Tops and Mr. Bray's class gets a treat party for collecting the most Campbell's Labels.

The PTO will get a check in December for around \$1,500.00 from General Mill's the sponsors of Box Tops. This means we collected and counted over 15,000 Box Tops. Thank you to Heidi Jones, Vicki Smith, Tonia Medaris, Sara Dunlap, Julia Stetter, Trish Frost, Keri Combs, Allison Vandergriff, Janell Foley and Maya Kaneda for sorting and counting all the Box Tops and Campbell's Labels. Keep saving!! Our next collection/contest will be in February



Citizenship 1st Nine Weeks 2013

Mrs. Anderson

Sam Perry
Chandler Harris

Mrs. Gaddis

Emily Swinney
Keygan Mullins

Mrs. Park

Mackenzie Cheek
Noah Wolter

Mrs. Branaman

Evan Stetter
Arwyn Tian

Mrs. Frasier

Anabell Hunter
Chiharu Ito

Mrs. Ingram

Destiny Foley
Karson Miller

Mrs. Voils

Noah Hilderbrand
Zoe King

Mr. Bray

Lance White
Brianna Guthrie

Mrs. Harper

Elaina Major
Andrew Steinkoenig

Miss Critzer

Edward Cordova
Lillian Wolter

Mrs. Burnett

Gabby Grimes
Jesus Lopez

Mr. Porter

Armani Campbell
Claire Fear

Mrs. Stevens

Matina Maharjan
Trent Tyree

Mr. Grimes

Sydney Wise
Morgan Allen

Mr. Morris

Sammie Gilbert
Cam Barker

Mrs. Wenzler

Maggie Johnson
Paige Brown

Mrs. Coles

Anna Combs
Taylor Hollen

Mrs. Deckard

Leyton White
Sammie Dennis

Mrs. Williams

Alexia Wilcox
Ross Wenzler

Mr. Brown

Anna Emmert
Enrique Matzar

Mrs. Day

Dillan Lara
Licni Lopez

Mrs. Koors

Alma Cambron
Mazey Wilson



ART IN THE NEWS

THE INDIANAPOLIS MUSEUM OF ART HAS A MATISSE EXHIBIT TITLED, "MATISSE, LIFE IN COLOR: MASTERWORKS FROM THE BALTIMORE MUSEUM OF ART". WHAT A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUR FAMILY TO SEE SUCH IMPORTANT WORKS OF ART!

News From the Art Room

Happy Fall! The 6th Gr. Art classes worked collaboratively on creating art for an auction item during the Fall Festival (Friday Nov. 8th, 5:30-8:30). Please come and make a bid on their beautiful work. Also, a few of the classes made some "Mini-Masterpieces" refrigerator magnets to have your very own masterpiece on your fridge! I hope you will come and support our students' work and our wonderful PTO!

Some parents have asked how I assess student artwork. First, I use a Discipline-Based approach in instruction. DBAE includes the four components of: art history, production, aesthetics and criticism. Our art lessons include learning about the elements and principles of art. The projects also have concepts and skills that are either introduced or reinforced in a lesson and are given to us from the IDOE as standards for the visual arts. Any possible connections to other subject areas are also included during a lesson. Assessments in Grades 2-6 are based upon the application of skills and concepts included for the lesson, effort, craftsmanship, creativity and the inclusion of the elements and principles of design. Assessment for K-1 is based upon applying their best effort in demonstrating the concept and skill and materials.

What can you do to help your child with their art skills? Like any area of learning, making it important increases their willingness to put forth the effort needed to master the skill and concept. Give them time at home to create their own art. Emphasize the importance of art in our world which comes from our creative, right-brain side. Take them to museums, plays, musical events and support an arts-rich lifestyle. Let them practice looking at their environment and encourage their imagination. If you show an interest in their artwork, they will want to put more effort in creating it! Art enriches our lives and gives an outlet for the creativity within us all.

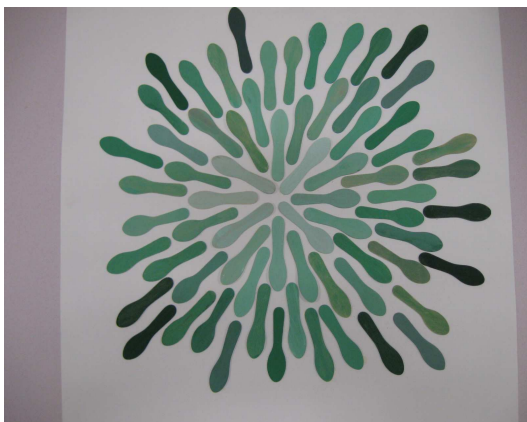
I am always happy to answer questions and can be reached at school or through email (larsone@bcsc.k12.in.us) or by phone (376-4311#1112) and there is also more information on the Art Room website.

Giving tree items include: cotton balls, zip-lock baggies (all sizes), and Kleenex.:-)

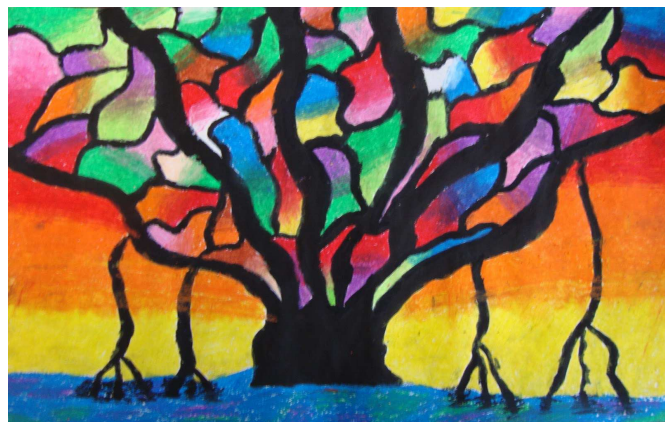
Thanks to all of the parents who have requested a conference! I've enjoyed talking to you about your child's artistic progress!

Thanks,

Mrs. Larson



6th Grade Auction Item



Banyan Tree Silhouette by 6th Grade

Spell Bowl News

Our Spell Bowl Team at W.D. Richards has been at work since mid-August studying our 750 word list for this year's competition to be held at Southside Elementary on Thursday, November 21 at 5:00 p.m. We have ten fourth and fifth grade students competing on our team this year. The students on the team include T.J. Barkhimer, Davi Carvalho, Reese Harmon, Blaine Humphrey, Kade Kikendall, Timothy Moyer, Megan Vetter, Ross Wenzler, Leyton White, and Grace Wiltsey. Eight students will spell 7 words in a round, and two students will be our alternates. Good luck to Team Richards!

Mrs. Burnett, coach

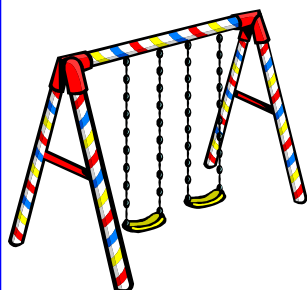
Car Rider Safety

Please remind your children to always enter vehicles using the car door on the curb side of the back circle drive. It is also helpful to pull forward around the circle drive so more students can be picked up in a safe manner. Also, it is important to remember that students should not be dropped off before school in front of the building.



Outdoor Recess Reminder

Fresh air and outdoor play activities are beneficial to students. We do go outside for recess whenever the weather permits. In the winter a combination of the wind chill factor and temperature is used to determine the possibility of going outside for play. Twenty degrees is used as the cut off for outside recess. All students should have appropriate clothing for outside play. Contact our school nurse if you need assistance in obtaining warm clothing. **Students with health conditions that don't allow outside play must provide a doctor's statement. All students must participate in outdoor recess, unless a doctor's statement is on file.**





The Many Faces of W.D. Richards Elementary



**MAKE A
DIFFERENCE DAY**
NATIONAL DAY OF DOING GOOD

In an effort led by our Kindergarten classrooms, W. D. Richards Elementary School made a difference in our community for Make a Difference Day. Students and families donated 1,387 items of non-perishable food items to the Gleaner's Food Bank.

Congratulations to the following classes who collected the most items to donate:

1st Place – Mrs. Wenzler

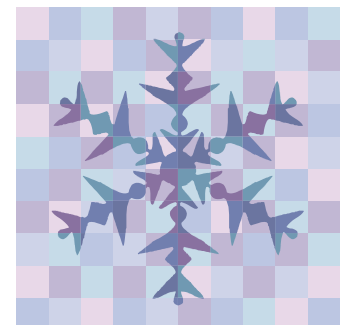
2nd Place – Mrs. Koors

3rd Place – Mr. Porter



The Cold is Here...

We don't want any of our students to go without a winter coat. If you need assistance getting your child a coat we are here to help. Please contact Miss Critzer, the Counselor, or Mrs. Smith, the School Nurse, at (812)376-4311.



Raider Sports News

2013-2014



Boys' Roster Basketball

DeShawn Austin Adam Chapman
Hunter Hilderbrand Hunter Huser
Malachi Parks Tyson Sackman
Taylor Hollen, Manager

Lance Greiwe Reese Harmon
Kyler McIntosh Jackson Paradise
Kaden Wise Carson Wolfe
Leyton White, Manager

Girls' Roster Basketball

Annie Anderson Maycie Porter
Kaylyn Bates Makayla Reeves
Mikayla Frenzel Lexia Wilcox
Naomy Argueta Ventura

Brianna Wilson Tessa Lomax
Chesney Loehr Haylee Acton
Haili Smith Annaleigh Matzar

Cheerleaders

Faith Briggs Sara Groover
Abby Jordan Madelyn Rohlf's
Kara Allen Kayla Jones

Chelsea Howell
Anna Emmert
Ashley Sturgeon



Dance Team Members

McKenzie Acton Morgan Allen
Azzure Ozaeta Elizabeth Renner
Tatiana Whitfield Sydney Wise

Gwen Anderson
Maika Shibata
Olivia Collins

Eden Long
Emily Walker





RICHARDS RAIDERS BASKETBALL 2013-14

Nov. 13th—Home vs. Taylorsville
Nov. 20th—Home vs. Clifty Creek
Nov. 26th—bye week (no game)
Dec. 4th—at Southside
Dec 11th—at Mt. Healthy
Dec. 18th—Home vs. Rockcreek
Jan. 8th—at CSA Fodrea
Jan. 15th—at Smith
Jan. 22nd—Home vs. Schmitt
Jan. 29th—at Parkside
Feb. 5th—Home vs. CSA Lincoln



Dear Parents,

Did you know that our school has a paper recycling program called the ABITIBI Paper Retriever? You can recycle all of your newspaper, magazines, shopping catalogs, office and school papers and mail 24 hours/7 days a week right here in our green and yellow bin.

This is an easy way for you to recycle your paper every week and help us raise money for projects like playgrounds, landscaping, books, and other school needs. By recycling paper, not only do you save water and energy, but our school earns money for every poUnd of paper you help us collect.

Please put all of your magazines, mail, newspapers and office papers in the green and yellow bin in our parking lot; but do not include cardboard or phone books

Thank you for your continued support of this important fundraising effort.

Please add recycling to your errand route and bring your paper by once a week– help your school and the environment.

FREE

Ages

3-5

**Early
Childhood
Screening**

FREE Early Childhood Screening

Bring your 3-5 year old child to the following FREE screening located at:

Taylorsville Elementary

9711 Walnut St., Taylorsville, IN

Tuesday, November 12, 2013

6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Provided by
BCSC Title I &
Council for Youth
Development.

Questions?

Please call 375-6747.

A PARENT/GUARDIAN MUST ACCOMPANY EACH CHILD.

Don't forget to bring your child's current shot records so they can be reviewed by a school nurse.

GRATIS

Edades

3-5

**NIÑEZ
TEMPRANA**

Evaluación GRATIS de Niñez Temprana

Traiga a su hijo de 3-5 años de edad a cualquiera de las siguientes Evaluaciones GRATIS:

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Uno de los padres o guardián debera acompañar a cada niño.

No olvide traer el historial de vacunas a la evaluación.

Starting With Chapter One is back!

November Schedule:

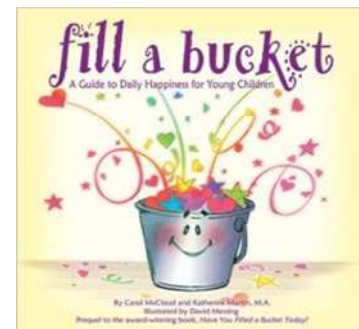
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by Carol McCloud and Katharine Martin

Read by: Cindy Frey, President Columbus

Area Chamber Of Commerce

Parenting Tips by Lori Erfmeier, BCSC PreK Parent/Child Specialist.



Airing every day on the BCSC Cable Channel 3 at
7:00 a.m., 7:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m.,
5:30 p.m., and 7:30 p.m.

Provided by Bartholomew Consolidated School Corporation's Title I Program and
the TV Production Classes at Columbus East High School

¡Chapter One está de regreso!

Calendario de noviembre:

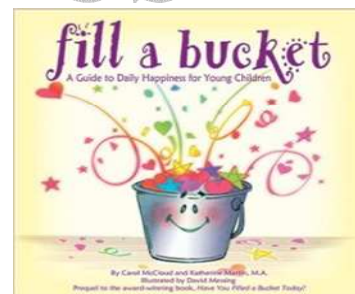
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7:00 am, 7:30 am, 11:30 am, 1:30 pm, 3:30 pm,
5:30 p.m. y 7:30 p.m.

Proporcionado por Bartholomew Consolidated School Corporation's Title I Program y
las clases de producción de televisión en Columbus East High School.

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W.D. Richards Website:
www.bcsc.k12.in.us/richards

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
PBIS Focus: Hallway Procedures	Strings: Mondays - Advanced Wednesdays -Beginning				1 Student Council Fund Raiser Ends Book Fair Begins	2 Basketball at East Boys 8:00 Girls 9:10 V. PSide
3 PBIS Focus: Restroom Procedures	4 United Way - Hat Day Awards Convo. 8:30 Spell Bowl 2:45-3:45 Girls on the Run 5:30 Book Fair	5 United Way - PJ Day Choir 7:25 a.m. Grade 2 Fieldtrip (Children's Museum) High School Heroes (Grade 5) Spell Bowl 2:45-3:45	6 United Way - Spirit Day Girls on the Run 5:30 Book Fair	7 United Way - Mix Match Day 4H Enrichment (Grade 2) Spell Bowl 2:45-3:45 Book Fair	8 United Way - Pop Corn Day 4H Enrichment (Grade 2) PTO Fall Festival	9
10 PBIS Focus: Cafeteria Procedures	11 Musical Salute to Veteran's 9:00 (Convo.) Spell Bowl 2:45-3:45 Girls on the Run 5:30	12 Choir 7:25 a.m. Spell Bowl 2:45-3:45	13 Girls on the Run 5:30	14 Student Council 7:30 Amy Houston-Oler Book Talk (K,1,2) Spell Bowl 2:45-3:45	15	16 Girls on the Run 5K
17 PBIS Focus: Playground Procedures	18 Strings 7:30 a.m. Grade 3 "My Plate" Spell Bowl 2:45-3:45	19 Choir 7:25 a.m. Spell Bowl 2:45-3:45 Green Team	20 Strings 7:30 a.m. Spell Bowl 2:45-3:45	21 Spell Bowl Competition at Southside 5:00 Picture Retakes	22	23
24 PBIS Focus: Hallway Procedures	25 Strings 7:30 a.m. Spell Bowl 2:45-3:45	26 Choir 7:25 a.m. Green Team 2:45-3:30 (Room 305)	27 Strings 7:30 a.m.	28	29 Thanksgiving Break	30