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Friday, November 1



Trunk or Treat is expanding this year to include the Fall Social and Book Fair!

Join us in the East Parking Lot for safe trick or treating from trunk to trunk, visit the book fair in the Harrison Room for a special treat, and play games both inside and outside the school. All events run from 5:30 - 7:00pm.

Newsletter

Did you receive a paper copy of the newsletter and would like to receive it via email? Please contact the office at egersoldk@bcsc.k12.in.us. Did you received more than one paper copy? Please let us know so in the future we will only send one home per family. This helps our school save paper and be more environmentally friendly.

Mark Your Calendar

October Calendar

- Sept 30-Oct 3 - Basketball Tryouts
- 2 - Walk to School Day
- 3 - Walkathon money is due for grand prize and mystery prizes
- 3 - 1st grade to Apple Works
- 4 - Walk A Thon, see schedule below
- 4 - 3rd grade Pirate Palooza
- 7-11 - Fall Break...NO SCHOOL
- 15 - Mandatory Parent Meeting @6:30 for parents of those who made the basketball team
- 16 - PTO Meeting at 1:30
- 16-18 - 5th grade to Bradford Woods
- 23 - Fall Picture Retakes

November Calendar

- 1 - Fall Social and Book Fair
- 1 - Trunk or Treat

Walk the Plank Friday, October 4

Come walk with your students!

2019 Walkathon Schedule

8:15 – 9:00	Kindergarten
8:45 – 9:30	1 st Grade
9:15 – 10:00	3 rd Snacks
9:45 – 10:30	5 th Grade
10:15 – 10:45	Pre-K
10:30 – 11:15	6 th Grade
11:00 – 11:45	2 nd Grade
11:45 – 12:30	4 th Grade

Notes From the Office

Picture Retakes

Picture retakes will be October 23. If you did not like the picture that was taken in August, please bring those pictures back that day and your student can have their picture taken again. If your student was absent, they may have their picture taken on the 23rd.

Change in Dismissal

If your child is not going home their regular way after school, please send a note to your child's teacher in the morning with your student. Teachers are the ones who get your child to the correct place in the afternoon.

Too sick for school?

If your child has the following symptoms, **THEY SHOULD NOT BE AT SCHOOL.**

FEVER: temperature of 100 degrees or more. No return until temperature under 100 degrees without medicine for at least 24 hours

VOMITTING: vomiting in last 24 hours

DIARRHEA: two or more episodes of diarrhea in the last 24 hours

EYES: thick mucus or pus draining from the eye or pink eye (conjunctivitis). No return until 24 hours after beginning antibiotic eye drops

HEAD LICE: may not return to school until they have been treated and seen by the nurse. Bus transportation will be denied until recheck and cleared by school nurse.

SKIN: unknown rashes or skin lesions (open sores)



Dance Team Information

If you are interested in the Dance Team, please pick up an information packet in the information tower outside the office. Practices start October 15. If you have any questions, please contact Ally at 812-447-4259

Attendance

Being at school every minute of every day is important. If your child is sick with a fever, vomiting, or has diarrhea, they should stay home. Please contact the office by 8:30 to let us know they will not be at school. We will ask for their name, the teacher's name and their symptoms. All of this information is then put into the child's records.

If your child has an appointment that is after 9:00, they should come to school in the morning before the appointment. Your child can be picked up in the office and then taken to the appointment. We ask that each time your child is away from school for an appointment that you get a note from the office where the child was seen. This is for the doctor, hospital, dentist, orthodontist, counselor, health dept and any other office. After the appointment, the child needs to return to school. The only reason a child should not return to school is if there is less than 30 minutes left of the school day. We take attendance seriously and a child will be marked unexcused for the afternoon if they have a morning appointment and do not return to school after the appt. Also, if a child has an appt in the afternoon and is not in class in the morning, the morning will be unexcused.

Stem Lab

Parent Volunteers needed! STEM Lab needs volunteers to help with 1st and 2nd grade projects. Any day of the week is helpful.

1st Grade– 12:55– 1:40

2nd Grade– 1:45– 2:30

We Also need:

2 Liter Bottles (clear)

Yogurt Cups

Old Travel Magazines or Local Activity Guides

Thank you, STEM Lab

Destination Imagination



Applications for Destination Imagination are due Thursday, October 3rd to Mrs. Stroh. Once teams have been formed, Mrs. Stroh will be sending home information on the activity fee and the season calendar. Don't miss this opportunity to be part of a fun and creative experience!

Parkside Green Team

The Parkside Green Team is seeking volunteers to collect paper recycling from Parkside Court Retirement Center. Paper recycling is collected once a week on the weekend and taken to the Abitibi recycling container located on the east side of the school. The paper collected in the Abitibi container is sold and the money goes to the Parkside PTO.



Volunteers are asked to commit to pick up paper recycling at Parkside Court every few weeks, depending on the number of volunteers. **The time commitment is approximately 1 hour every few weeks.** Parkside Court is located at 3660 Central Avenue in Columbus, at the corner of Parkside and Central, very close to the school.

Please contact Stephen Rush at strush00@gmail.com or (812) 447-2554. Stephen will meet with new volunteers to show them the collection process.



Jimmy John's, Thank You!

The PTO would like to thank Jimmy John's on National for donating subs for our teachers during conferences.

Grade Level News

Fifth Grade -



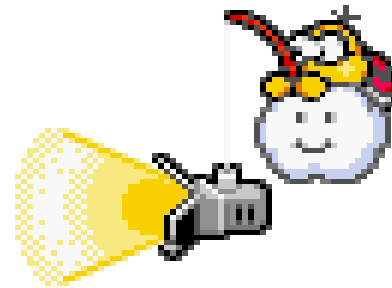
Fifth graders are preparing for Bradford Woods! October 16-18, students in fifth grade will pack up and head out to learn in the great outdoors! Students will hike, find animals in the stream, fish, shoot with a bow and arrow, write and put on skits, learn about Native Americans, and sing campfire songs, all while mastering tons of science, social studies, and language arts standards. The trip is usually one of students' favorite memories and we are looking forward to another great learning experience this year!

Spotlight on Miss Bodkins' Third Graders:

Talea Eudy

Cooper Koons

Haley Schulz



First Grade - The Apple Works

First grade is going to Apple Works for our field trip to learn about the Life Cycle of an Apple on October 3rd.



Grade Level News

Edwards - Book Buddies

Edwards Pre-K class is fortunate to have Mrs. Brougher's 3rd Class be out Book Buddies this year.



Our class looks forward to seeing them Friday afternoons!

Morlok - Learning Letters

What better way to learn our letters than to build them with our bodies! The students had a lot of fun creating letters of the alphabet with their friends.



Walk-the-Plank is October 4!

The PTO is actively working on putting together this year's Walk-The-Plank Walk-A-Thon! This is the only all-school fundraiser. The money raised goes to pay for field trips and supplies needed in the classroom. Every student benefits from the money raised!

Envelopes went home with students on September 17th.

PRIZES

\$5 – Participation prize: Parkside Carabiner Clip

\$40 – Walkathon tshirt & above prize

\$90 – Parkside pouch, lunch in the courtyard, & above prizes

\$150 – Light up wireless speaker & above prizes

Everyone who collects \$150 or more will be invited to a special party held during school!

Win prizes for your teacher – highest participation and most raised
Class ice cream parties for highest participation and most raised

THREE Mystery Prizes

Collect \$60 – earn one (1) mystery prize raffle ticket

Collect \$120 – earn two (2) mystery prize raffle tickets

Collect \$150 – earn three (3) mystery prize raffle tickets

The highest collector at each grade level will also win a prize.

The top money collector for the school will win the "Ultimate Prize Package" which includes passes to several places including Zoo'opolis, Donner Pool (2020), Hamilton Ice Center, Footgolf, and more.

T-Shirt Design:

Congratulations to **Lluvia Colin Lopez** in Mrs. Psota's 4th grade class for this year's winning design. Anyone raising \$40 or more will win a t-shirt with Lluvia's design on it.





You are invited to our
next PTO Meeting:
Wednesday, **October 16**
at 1:30pm

PTO Meetings Are For Everyone!

Interested in learning what the PTO does or want to become more involved? Come to our meeting on October 16 at 1:30pm or contact Kelli Adams at kelli.adams@gmail.com.

Our Generous Walkathon Sponsors

Platinum

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- * Elwood Staffing
- * Northside Pediatrics – Dr. Iorio
- * Berkshire Realty, Andy Spurling
- * Indianapolis Motor Speedway
- * Texas Roadhouse

Silver

- * Columbus Parks and Recreation
- * Zoo'Opolis Exotic Petting World
- * P2 Endurance Training

Bronze

- * Chuck E Cheese

Contributing:

- * Culligan Water
- * Kroger
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- * Family of Alexander Alatriz Gudino
- * Donut Central
- * Simply Pottery
- * Family of Rukaya Aljoaba
- * Family of Siu Lee

TRUNK OR TREAT

WHEN: FRIDAY * NOV. 1ST * 5:30-7 PM

WHAT: SAFE TRICK-OR-TREATING FROM TRUNK TO TRUNK, THE EVENT IS

FOOD-ALLERGY FRIENDLY: NON-FOOD/CANDY TRUNKS WILL BE MARKED WITH A TEAL PUMPKIN.

WHERE: PARKSIDE'S EAST PARKING LOT- ENTER BY

ARLINGTON

WHO IS INVITED? ANY CURRENT PARKSIDE STUDENTS &

FAMILIES

Wear your kid-friendly costume & spend the evening with
us!

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!



PARENTS YOU CAN HELP... WE NEED DONATIONS:

- Pencils
- Stickers
- Wrapped Candy
- Erasers
- Little kid friendly gadgets
- Books
- Mini pretzel bags
- Mini Bubbles
- Glow sticks