

Bent School Newsletter



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Message from the Principal

Greetings Superstar Parents!

We made it through the first nine weeks. Your child's teacher should have tried to contact you to discuss your child's progress. Many of you have been in for parent/teacher conferences. I want to encourage you to remain in contact with your child's teacher and share with them any concerns or questions that you have. Email works best for most teachers. If you call in, please remember that teachers spend most of their day teaching and will have a difficult time returning your call promptly. If you need to speak with a teacher in person, please set an appointment.

Remember, you are the most important influence in your child's life. This extends to education as well. If the parent values education, so too will the child. One of the most important things you can do with your child is to read to or with them. On occasion, I have the privilege of reading a book to the younger children. In fact, on October 25th, I had the privilege of reading to children at the Bloomington Public Library.

I would also like to remind parents that, on most days, we will be going outside for recess. Please have your children dress appropriately.

On another note: the District 87 Student Handbook states that "regular attendance is required of all students enrolled in grades Kindergarten through 12th grade. District 87 expects parents, guardians, or other person having custody or control of enrolled students to cause the regular attendance of students and to inform the school of all absences and the reasons for such absences." We appreciate it if you can call the office before 9:30. In addition, as a Principal, I am required to monitor student attendance and inform you of any unapproved absence and/or attendance problems involving your children.

Finally, in the Learning Center, Mrs. Riccio recently held a book fair. It was very nice to see a lot of parents come and twice as nice to see kids get some books to read for those upcoming Thanksgiving trips!

Thank you for all you do!

Mr. G

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Salvation Army Food Drive at Bent School

November 12th-16th.

School Food Drive Wish List

Peanut Butter

Canned Meats

Canned Vegetables

Canned Beans

Ready Meals (ex. Hamburger Helper, rice sides)

Canned Fruit

Canned Soup

Canned Meals (ex. Ravioli, spaghetti o's)

Jell-O

Cake Mix and Icing

Instant Potatoes

Any Non-Perishable Items

(Items in **bold are the highest priority need in the pantry.)

PTO News



Thank you to all of our students and families who participated in the Club Choice Fundraiser. While we did not reach our school wide goal of \$10,000 sold for Mr. G to camp outside, we do want to highlight our top ten very hardworking sellers.

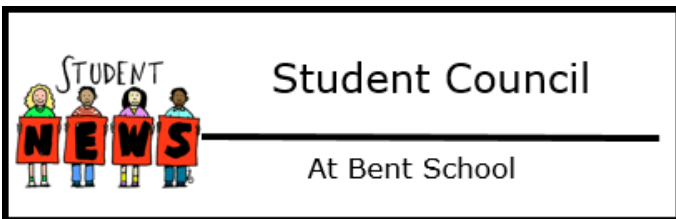
Kyle Streenz, Mariska Yuncker, Brianna Scott, Angel Gomez-Delio, Liam Walles, Joseph Considine, Madison Kirby, Matthew Mitchell, Santiago Paiva Heitzman, & Ada Erlewine. These kids worked very hard! You guys are rockstars!

November brings us Thanksgiving and that makes me think of pie! We are partnering with Bob Evans again and selling whole pies. Order forms will be sent home November 5th and need to be returned by November 12th and 13th. You can then pick up your pie on November 20th at their location just in time for the holiday.

We are also partnering with Chipotle for our next restaurant night on November 27th from 4-8 pm. 33% of their profit will be donated to our school. So please, let's take advantage of that generosity to help support our school!

Our second PTO meeting will be on Tuesday, November 6th at 6 pm. We loved getting to see so many faces at the last meeting and hearing your thoughts and ideas. Please come out again. Childcare is provided and meetings last only 1 hour!

Student Council News



Congratulations to our new Superstar Council Officers:

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| President | Bianca Ellis |
| Vice President | Alexa Monzalvo |
| Recorder | Brayden Evelsizer |
| Treasurer | Maxwell Brown |
| Historian | Diego Cruz |

Cafeteria News



November is time for an Attitude of Gratitude!

I am so very thankful for everything our Café Supervisors do each and every day - both inside and on the playground!

Our Green Team Recycle Runway has been very successful thanks to Miss Katy and her Staff!

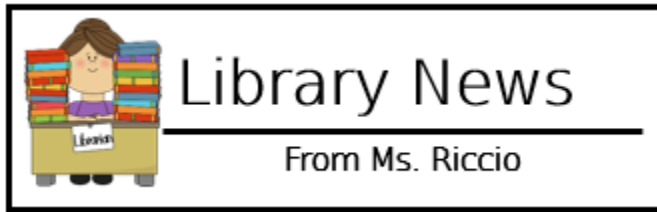
We could not do it without all of their hard work and efforts every day!

A BIG THANK YOU to: Miss Kathy, Silvia, Miriam, Natalie, Sindhu, Teresa, Kim, Odelia, Denise and Jannet!

I appreciate each of you so much!

I am grateful for you! Miss Kat

Library News



Reading Takes You Places Updates...

Family Reading Challenge Winners Announced!

Congratulations to Lisette S. (3rd Grade), Michael and Eleni R. (Kindergarten), Liam W. (2nd Grade) winners of the September Family Reading Challenge. Remember to check the Superstar Gazette each month for a new challenge and send a picture in for our display! Lose your copy? Extras are available - just ask! We loved seeing all the participation from September and hope you will try out the next one!

Reading Takes You....to.....MEXICO!?

QUARTER 1 PARTY UPDATE

On October 29th, we had our first Reading party! All students in Grades K-5 who met their reading goal traveled to...Mexico! Ask to see your child's post card that they filled out from their "travels".

Everyone got to try authentic chips, salsa, guacamole and tried a special drink called horchata or jamaica. Horchata is a drink made from rice and is sweet. Jamaica is made from dried hibiscus flowers. Thanks to Fiesta Ranchera for catering the event for us and donating chips, salsa, and drinks. We really appreciate them!

It was so cool to try something new, and we are glad students got to experience an aspect of the culture!

We also had a special visit from some BHS Spanish students who shared two different books K-3 and Grades 4-5 with students and did an activity with them. K-3 learned how to make flowers, and Grades 4-5 played a bingo game called Loteria in which students learned vocabulary. Thank you to BHS and to their teacher, Mrs. Cupuro for coming to Bent to spend the day helping our students learn and have fun!

The BHS students ALSO taught the students some authentic dance moves! It was truly a unique and special event!

Don't forget to meet your passport reading goal to come to our Quarter 2 Party...where will it be? Hmmm....read to find out!

Reading Takes You Places- An Update!

Keep Reading!

SAVE the Date For Our 2nd Quarter Reading Celebration:

Tuesday, January 8th

Quarter 1 we went to Mexico...Quarter 2...?
The Reading Team is Busy Planning Something Special
Just For YOU!

WHAT DO I NEED TO DO TO MAKE MY QUARTER 2 READING GOAL AND ATTEND THE READING PARTY CELEBRATION?

QUARTER 2 GOAL IS DUE DECEMBER 20th!
QUARTER 2 PARTY = JANUARY 8

Grades K-1: students will work on completing 4 of the 6 tasks in school

1. Read a book with a character like: Elephant & Piggie, Scaredy Squirrel, Fancy Nancy, or Pete the Cat.
2. Read a nonfiction book about an animal.
3. Read a holiday book.
4. Read a nonfiction book about a person.
5. Read a book your teacher recommends to you.
6. Read a picture book.

Grade 2: 15 Reading Counts points and 2 genres

Grade 3: 20 Reading Counts points and 2 genres

Grade 4: 25 Reading Counts points and 2 genres

Grades 2-5 GENRES:

Biography, Fairy Tale, Science Fiction Fable, Mystery, Nonfiction Sports Holiday Book, Graphic Novel, Poetry Caldecott Award*, Sibert Award*, Fantasy, Nonfiction Ask a teacher for a recommendation

*students have learned about this award and these can be located by doing an online search within our LMC.

Congratulations to the Following Superstars who reached their 1st Quarter Reading Goal and Participated in our school wide Party!

Mrs. Dewitt Kindergarten- THE WHOLE CLASS!

Bennet, Derrick, Izaiah, Maggie, Joseph, Ava C., Kalleigh, Ada, William, Ava F., Kenzie, Tyshawn, Maxwell, Alianna, Lonnie, Tanner, Makayla, Genesis, Michael, Vanesa, Maliah

Mrs. Leggin Kindergarten

Zariah, Avery, Alice, Trailey, Hunter, Malik, Giana, Za'niyah, Amari, Darius M., Sa'miyah, Tneal, Allison, Eleni, Gavin, Brianna, Dra-onna, Amarion, Davasha, Makynzie, Darius V., Lilly, Liam

Ms. Weeks- Kindergarten- THE WHOLE CLASS!

William, Emily Yartzell, Madelyn, Sheccid, Argelia, Jordan, Kian, Joselyn, Jeyli, Daniela, Luz, Kimberly, Benny, Axel, Monserrat, Isaac, Alberto, Jonas, Jayden, Alejandro, Jesus, Johan, Macen, Milagros

Mrs. Shinke- Grade 1- The WHOLE CLASS!

Jose A., Kevin, Luis, Alan, Keiry, Belinda, Yartziza, Victor, Anahi, Jose L., Daniel, Analee, Cindy, Erick, Edwin, Ana, Denali, Nicholas, Jocelyn

Mrs. Thomas- Grade 1- The WHOLE CLASS!

Tailynn, Brayden, Sophie, Zion, Maicee, Kaidyn, Anthony, Grayson, Angel, Izabella, Curtis, Finn, Duncan, Jai'lah, December, Zach

Mrs. Williams- Grade 1- The WHOLE CLASS!

Van, Jaire, Oscar, Caleb, Keeleigh, Carmen, Julian, Mia, Gavin, Brooklyn, Landon, Carter, Jay, Feifer, Joshlin, Trezza, Jayden, Sawyer Kenyin, Maya, Marquis

Ms. Firmand- Grade 2

Lucy

Ms. Moore- Grade 2

Presley, Aiden, Amayah, Jamar, Lucia, Rose, Sophia, Noel, Tess

Mrs. Zelaya- Grade 2

Jose A.C., Katie, Jonathan, Sarai, Ricky, Josue, Jose G.P., Nayely, Ashly, Brenda, Lizbeth, Cristian, Isaac, Suleyma, Aldo, Diego, Giovanni, Mauricio, Gael, Miguel, Thomas, Jacqueline

Mr. Bussan- Grade 3- The WHOLE CLASS!

Aleyah, Aubrielle, Will, Jariah, Amiri, Llyra, McKenna, Malia, Betsy, Reilynn, Santiago, Casey, Evan, Ethan, Emma, Micheri, Maison, Te'Shawn, Jayda

Ms. Delgado- Grade 3

Vicky, Miguel, Diana, Cesar, Valentina, Isabella, Anthony, Arely, Enrique

Ms. Henderson- Grade 3

Ivanna, Allan, Kelly A.G., Kevin, Briana, Alondra, Adelchi, Yatzary, Andrew, Ashley, Katia, Jesus, Kelly S.F.

Mr. Reeves- Grade 3

Clara, James, Aubrey

Mrs. Dobson- Grade 4

Isaac, Aurora, David, Ben, Yakup, Matthew, Peter, Owen

Mrs. Masching- Grade 4

Jayla, Avery, Blake, Juliana, Zion, Caleb, Finn, Oliver

Mrs. Wiggs- Grade 4

Chris, Larissa, Aldo, Diego, Ashley, Denisse, Juan, Joshua, Maria, Monse

Mrs. Bucio- Grade 5

Braylin, Danny, Uriel, Zaide, Yensi, Braylan, Ximena, Alex, Alexa, Karol, Maria, Gisselle, Brian, Emily, Katy

Mrs. Cooper- Grade 5- The WHOLE CLASS!

Wyatt, Max, Holly, Finn, Nate, Ulric, Jenna, Aleenah, Angel, Ethan, Aaniyah, Jude

Mrs. Sicinski- Grade 5- The WHOLE CLASS!

Jordan, Angelica, Bianca, Brayden, Javin, Mikel, Audriana, Grace, Cheyenne, Myles, Kimyonna, Riley, Izaiah, Lilly, Tameah, Jordynn

SAVE THE DATE!

FAMILY READING NIGHT and DINNER!

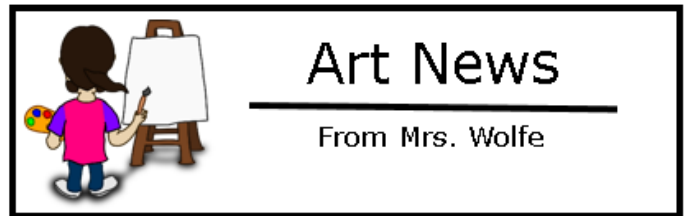
Join us for an enjoyable evening focused on Reading

Thursday, November 15 from 5-7pm at Bent School

Pizza, cookie, and drink available to purchase in cafeteria for \$2.00

Activities, Take Home activity, Prizes, Fun, Family Reading Workshops, and Food!

Art News



In the art department, students are wrapping up units on line and drawing.

They will now start into units on color and painting. If you would like to see what your child is creating in art, please stop by the art room during your parent-teacher conference.

Fifth grade students really enjoyed their trip to University galleries at Illinois State University.

Students viewed the William Cordova & Cecil McDonald Jr. shows. They were mesmerized by the video and sound installation in memory of Terry Adkins. They loved hearing from the director and chief curator, Kendra Paitz, about how the work was constructed and the secret door that concealed the tablet inside.

It was a great way to round out our visit with William Cordova to see his work in person and experience the gallery.

Thank you to Kendra Paitz and Kathleen Lombon for guiding us through the two exhibits.

Bent November 2018 Calendar



November 2018

At Bent Elementary School

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 8:00 –Before School Reading 9:15-10:45 Kindergarten 50's Day Celebration	2 Bent Spirit Day 3:15-5:00 Girls in the Game	3
4 Day Light Saving Time Ends	5 Bob Evans Pie Fundraiser Begins	6 8:00 –Before School Reading 3:15 -ISU Mentors 6:00 – 7:00 PTO Meeting	7	8 8:00 –Before School Reading	9 3:15-5:00 Girls in the Game	10
11 Veterans Day	12 3:00-5:30 Clubs Choice pick up in the Cafeteria Bob Evans Order Forms Due	13 8:00 –Before School Reading 3:15 -ISU Mentors Bob Evans Order Forms Due	14	15 8:00 –Before School Reading 10:30 -11:15 Mrs. Leggin & Mrs. Dewitt Thanksgiving Feast 5:00-7:00 Family Reading Night	16 9:00-11:00 Picture Retake Day 3:15-5:00 Girls in the Game	17
18	19 Dental Clinic	20 Dental Clinic 8:00 –Before School Reading Pick up Bob Evans Pies	21 Thanksgiving Break	22 Thanksgiving Break	23 Thanksgiving Break	24
25	26	27 8:00 –Before School Reading 3:15 -ISU Mentors 4:00-8:00 Chipotle Fundraiser	28	29 8:00 –Before School Reading 6:00-7:30 Deck the Halls	30 3:15-5:00 Girls in the Game	

Family Challenge #3 due November 30th

We would like to encourage you to read more together as a family. Unplug your devices, turn off the TV, and read!

Complete 4 of the 6 activities below and return it back to school to enter into a drawing to win a gift card.

Why? Fun! Read together! Win a prize! Be recognized in our Superstar Gazette

If you have a picture of your family doing an activity or want to send in a picture of your child's work email it to Ms. Riccio at ricciok@district87.org or send it through Class Dojo

<p>Leave notes for your child in his/her lunch box or school bag, or around the house. There's no more purposeful reading for children than to read something that is written especially for them! Your child can also do this for a family member!</p>	<p>Talk to your child about a book they are reading or ask questions about a book they read at school in the classroom or library. Have them tell about it. Some questions to ask:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What were some of the main events? - Where did the story happen? - Was it make believe or realistic? - Tell me about your favorite part 	<p>Visit the public library and ask your child to show you their favorite section. Do they like holiday books? Picture books? Nonfiction? Biographies? Pick a book out together from your child's favorite section. Share it together!</p>
<p>After sharing a story together, talk about how the story ended. Write or discuss a different way the story could have ended. Take turns sharing ideas!</p>	<p>Re-read a family favorite. Why is this book loved so much?</p>	<p>Make reading real! Is there anything in the story or if nonfiction, anything your child can connect to? Look for any connections you can make to your child/family and the text and talk about it!</p>

COOL TIP: Don't leave home without something to read! Bring along a kid-friendly book or magazine any time you know your child will have to wait in a doctor's office, at the DMV or anywhere else. Stories can help keep your child occupied, and the experience will also show him that you can always fit in time to read!

Family Member Names: _____

Teacher: _____ RETURN THIS FORM TO SCHOOL BY NOV.30