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# What's New at BEW

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## Returning to In-Person Learning

Welcome Back !

We are so happy to see all of the students in the building and the students seem just as happy to be back! It continues to be another challenging year but together with everyone's support and communication, we feel this will be a very productive year! Some of our students have been out of a structured school setting for 18 months! Our teachers will work hard so that all students show one year's growth! We will need your support at home this year too.

All students were issued a chromebook this year. They should take it home every night and bring it back to school fully charged the next day. At home, they can work on eSpark lessons, RAZ Kids and math facts. We ask that you follow up and make sure students are doing this.

Back in the classroom, we are doing everything we can to ensure everyone has a safe and healthy year. Students' desks are at least 3ft. apart from one another. We are making every attempt to keep our classrooms in a pod, or cohort, and not to mix them with others during the day. We continue to encourage handwashing and sanitizing. Students also eat breakfast in the classroom and while most will eat lunch in the cafeteria, they will be 6ft. apart to limit the number of students having to quarantine. Most recently, the district did make the decision to require masks at this time. This will help our schools stay open and students able to learn in person, in a classroom with their peers and a teacher.

We continue to put a focus on sanitizing the building and wiping down high traffic areas throughout the day. We have one way hallways and staircases.

This is not how we expected our school year to be—again. We continue to hope these changes are temporary and things will get back to “normal” at some point. But for now, everyone is making the best of it! We ask for your patience and understanding.

Students did a great job wearing masks last year and I am sure they will continue to do so this year. Many students were already wearing masks to start the year. They can do it!

We need to continue to support one another during these times and have understanding and compassion for one another. We will get through this because... **WE ARE BARBERTON STRONG!!**

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### Quarterly Newsletter

*First Quarter*

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#### Date to Remember

- Labor Day NO SCHOOL—Sept. 6
- Brown's Day—Sept. 17
- Picture Day—Sept. 27
- No School—Oct. 8
- End of Quarter 1—Oct. 16
- Report cards go home—Oct. 23
- Book Fair—Oct. 25-29
- Third Grade ELA State Test—Oct. 26 & 27
- Fall Party—Oct. 29



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# FALL PARTIES



Our fall parties this year will look a little different again this year due to Covid. We want to allow students time to celebrate this time of year but we also need to adhere to physical distancing. Therefore, we will not have a school parade. Parties will be limited to the classrooms. However, students may wear their costume to school ALL DAY.

Costumes are to be appropriate for an elementary school setting. They should be able to get on and off the bus, in and out of cars on their own and walk up and down stairs without the risk of falling. Hats and wigs may be worn. Scary costumes, masks, makeup and toy weapons are **NOT** permitted. Students should have clothing on underneath their costume. Keep in mind, students must sit in the costume all day...it should be comfortable.

Students will watch a movie in the afternoon. Treat bags will be provided to them. Parents are asked to contact the classroom teacher about sending in candy or treats for their student's classroom. The school and PTA will provide a treat.

We appreciate everyone's continued understanding and patience during this time.



## BUS RULES!!!

Please encourage the following rules if your student rides the school bus....

- 1) Students should sit in assigned seat.
- 2) Stay seated until you get off the bus.
- 3) Use a Level 1 voice (quiet voice) on the bus.
- 4) Keep your hands and feet to yourself at all times!
- 5) Always use kind words!
- 6) No food, candy or drinks on the bus.

***\*If a student does not follow these rules, they can be written up and lose bus privileges.***

## It's My Birthday!!

**What you need to know about birthday treats this year...**



We still want to allow students the opportunity to celebrate their birthday this year but we have to continue to be cautious due to the COVID-19 concerns.

All treats sent into school must be **store-bought** and **individually wrapped**. The package or box cannot be opened prior to coming to school. A few suggestions would be fun-sized candy bars or suckers, bags of pretzels or cookies, Little Debbie snacks or fruit snacks. As always, please check with the classroom teacher regarding allergies.

Thank you and HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

# Bullying vs. Mean

There is a lot of talk these days about bullying. Bullying is something we take very seriously at Barber-ton Elementary West. It is important to handle bully situations correctly and know how to talk to your student about it. The most important thing is to know the difference between bullying and kids being mean or rude. With the assistance of Mrs. Newlan, our School Counselor, we have put together some tips that should help!

## KNOW THE DIFFERENCE

Not every situation is bullying. Many times, it is kids being mean or impulsive. Here are definitions to help you know the difference.

### RUDE—

Inadvertently saying or doing something that hurts someone else

**MEAN**—purposefully saying or doing something to hurt someone once or maybe twice

**BULLYING**—intentionally aggressive behaviors, repeated over time to show power over someone

If your student tells you of a problem at school with another student, attempt to find out what kind of issue it is. Talk with them and possibly the classroom teacher in hopes of resolving it.

## HELP KIDS UNDERSTAND BULLYING

Students who understand what bullying is can quickly identify it and help themselves and others. They need to know safe ways to stand up and get help.

- Encourage students to tell a trusted adult. It needs to be reported immediately, not a day or week later.
- Tell the bully or mean student, **“We don’t do that here!”** We want our students to be respectful and responsible in our words and actions everyday.
- Keep lines of communication open with your student. Ask them about their day. Be positive!
- Be involved in their education. Attend school activities. Help them with their homework. Read with them.

## PICTURE DAY



School picture day is

**Monday, September 27th.**

*Look for information coming home soon!*

Families are encouraged to order pictures and complete their form online with **Ripcho!** Check the package for details. Avoid the exchange of paperwork and forgetting to send your money in on picture day!

Classes will come individually for their pictures. Photographers will wear masks and follow COVID-19 protocols. Interactions with students will be limited...they will only be here to snap a pictures.



## ***Bullying vs. Mean cont.***

We want all our students to feel safe and welcome at BEW. It is important to know the difference in student behaviors so we can approach them and handle them in the best way. Thank you for your continued support!

## Ways You Can Still Help BEW



You may not know, but there are many ways that you can help support BEW in the things you do everyday! There are things you probably already do that would give back to our school.

**BOXTOPS** - electronic now! Scan your store receipt

**Coke Rewards** - send in the code from packaging

**Giant Eagle**— register our school!

**Acme** - look for Community Cashback on receipts

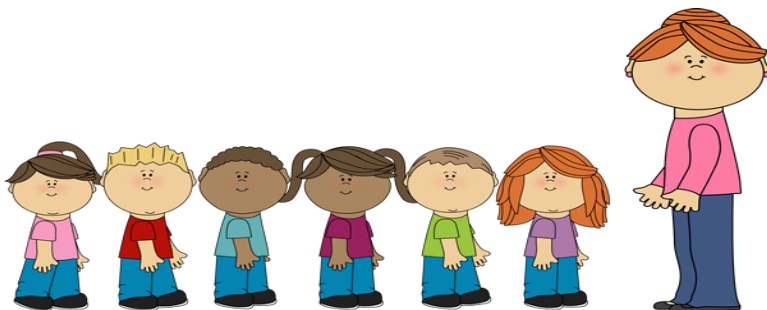
**Marco's Pizza Night** - It's back again! Have dinner with the family while giving back to our school!

## The BEW Way!!!

**1. Be Responsible**

**2. Be Respectful**

**3. Be Ready to Learn**



## Friendly Reminders!

**Doors do not open for students until 8:45am. Students will go straight to their classroom for breakfast.**

Students should not be dropped off any earlier due to distancing guidelines and lack of supervision.

**Students were issued a chromebook this year along with a carrying case. They should come to school with their charged chromebook everyday.**

Your student should have a purple folder. Be sure to check it every night. Important information and homework is sent home through his/her folders.

**Read with your student every night for at least 20 minutes. Your student will be a better reader.**

Practice letters, sounds, sight words, numbers and math facts at night!

## 3rd Grade Reading Guarantee



**Tuesday, October 26 & Wednesday October 27**

Our 3rd Grade students are preparing for the state English-Language Arts test in October. This is a test that will measure their ability in reading. Students will take the test again in April.

This test is also part of the **state mandated** Third Grade Reading Guarantee. The test determines whether or not a student will pass to the 4th grade. At this time, we are still being held to the state expectations for 3GRG.

Please encourage your 3rd grader to do their best on the test! Have them at school, on time, on testing dates. Make sure they get plenty of sleep the night before and are relaxed!

We want to make sure they have every opportunity to do their BEST on the TEST!!

**THEY CAN DO IT!!!**

## Book Fair is Coming!!!



SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR will be coming to BEW the week of **October 25-29**. PTA will be looking for volunteers to help out this week so check out their Facebook if you are available.

**JOIN PTA!!!!**

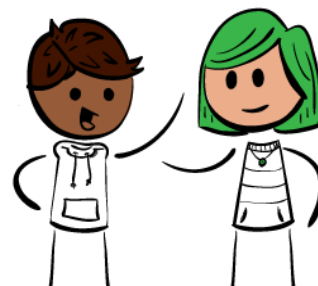
**PTA**<sup>®</sup>

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PTA will be having their membership drive soon! Support the BEW PTA and become a member! We are also looking for parents to volunteer at various events throughout the year. Please consider attending the next meeting and learning more information.

**Thursday, October 16 at 6:30pm**

See the BEW PTA Facebook page for more information.



**SEE**

**SOMETHING**

**SAY**

**SOMETHING**

# Happy Birthday



## August Birthdays

Camden Maynard

Emma Visher

Camdyn Vickers

Jaxson Gibson

Tavonni Thomas

Nevin Bibey

Cayden Vickers

Searientie Williams

Raymond Sharier

Makenzie Alexander

Peyton Hanzel

Ashton Thorne

Sophia Mitchell

Alaina'Elise Dunn

Noah Watson

Christopher Kerley

Mariah Hammond

Bronsen Stringfield

Dominque Caldwell

Blake Gottwalt

Owen Spall

Hunter Crebs

Excalibur Williams

Allison Howell

Ja'leyah Davis-Driver

Arabella Frye

Erikah Nagy

Gihad Sheffield

Lilly Davis

Jesse Thompson

Payton Hanna

Jordan Belknap

Michelle Matulin

Christopher Anderson

Carter Crawford

Neveah Cantrell

Riley Mangan

Urenna Zelee

Raelynn McArdle

Aliviah Shoemaker

Alice Fehr

Gemma Robinson

Trevor Dixson

Matthew Petty

Ryker Sutton

Kurtis Terry

Mason Sears

Josiah Driver

Julian Harrell

Lillian Styer

Teagan Ilg

Jacquelyn Mitchell

Ledger Wilson

Jackson Gay

Kha'Niya Lanier

# Happy Birthday



## September Birthdays

Caleigh Brasiel

Elaina Elliott

Dalanie Belkey

Henry Russell

Peighton Harris

Lily Beatty

William Seiter

Davonte Smith

Trenton O'Brien

Anastasia Pascu-Kilbarger

Kayden Cunningham

Allisandra Ventimiglia

Adelina Bottiggi

Madison Sparks

Jennifer Anders

Clayton Shaver

Gemma DeAngelis

Patrick Newman

Skyler Holbrook

Rowan Hardesty

Hunter Murphy

Sylus Turner

Aleenah Gates

Ethan Garrard

Donovan McGlothlin-Phelps

Wyatt Harris

Ariyana Floyd-Hicks

Chase Yoder

Emmersyn Yost

Paisley West

George Redfern

Cara Peters

Hailey Fuller

Denim Fletcher

Darci Miller

Robert Dollison

Alan Valdiva

Mason Brown

Chloe Foreman

Elizabeth Cimino

Holly Hobday

Isabella Cox

Carson Ward

Xavier Hudson

Myla Collins

Ava Tirey

Zachary Frye

Kylie Davis

# Happy Birthday



## October Birthdays

Jacob Sumer

Payton Furman

Rhylie Douglass

Hannah Gordon

John Perry

Nevaeh Sandy

Lathan Cagle

Layne Schaefer

Ryland Wade

Samson Steidl

Emberlynn Bickley

Leticia King

Briella Flack

Logan Croft

Peyton Young

De'Andre Thomas

Emilie Hull

Gabriel Holm

Makayla Kirby

Makayla Hackman

Jerzy Parker Martin

Raegan Fitzpatrick

Maria Kelani

Thomas Young

Jacob Sharier

Crishaya Person

Zoey Breckenridge

Aiden Cagle

Everleigh Wheeland

Gregory Coleman

Laymoshay Hardges

Dominique Bickley

Wyatt Korach

Victor White

Rory Stripe

Robert Anderson

Marienah Ryan

Patrick Campbell

Madison Robinson

Milana Vence

Caylee Greathouse

Mason Andrews

Jace Jacewicz

Lilly Anders

Preston Rowles

Brylee Marshall

Connor Stalder

Loyalti Johnson