

Vision: "We take responsibility for the success of every student!"

Burroughs Courier



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T-Shirts

◇ **Welcome** to the 2017-2018 school year. We are so excited that you are here with us. The bell rings at 8:00 and our day begins promptly at 8:15 a.m. Breakfast served 7:30-8 and we encourage all students to take advantage of the FREE breakfast & lunch.

◇ **TAKE-IN & DISMISSAL PROCEDURE:** Buses & cars will share the front drive. Remember: NO PARKING DURING TAKE-IN OR DISMISSAL TIMES (7-8:30am & 2:30-3:30pm). Buses will park and load first in the afternoons. Cars will line up in the side driveway and will be motioned when to begin moving to the front. Late buses will halt car flow to allow buses to load and depart.

◇ **Parking spaces** should be used if you are going to pick up your child and please do not block other cars. We strongly encourage you to drive through the line (after the initial start of school the whole dismissal lasts only 15 minutes). NEVER drop-off or pick-up in another area. Please watch for pedestrians.

◇ **For safety reasons there are No check outs after 3pm and a parent note is required for a child to change their normal dismissal routine.**

◇ **Pre-ordered School t-shirts** are now on sale for \$9 (12.95 and up on upcoming order form). School t-shirts may be worn daily as a uniform. These shirts are first come first serve. ONLY sizes available are YS, YM, YL & AS. Your child MUST be in correct uniform every day. This includes wearing a belt.

◇ **To stay up-to-date**, please read this blue newsletter on the first school day of each week. We also use Twitter & Facebook. Teachers will send home a weekly class newsletter and use online programs such as Class DoJo to keep you informed. Parental involvement is key to your child's success!

◇ **We recycle #1 plastic and aluminum cans.** Please make sure they are clean & without lids. You may drop off at any time.

CHARACTER COUNTS!

Responsibility-

to be held accountable

(Discuss the character word with your child)

TIGER of the Week:



Our Tiger of the week is Kaley Harper. She is a 3rd grade student in Mrs. Bolar's room. She was chosen because she read ALL of the options listed for her summer reading and likes to teach her younger brother to read. She plans to be a dentist when she grows up.

◇ **We are a bully FREE school & Our Rules Against Bullying are:**

1. We will not bully others.
2. We will try to help students that are bullied.
3. We will try to include students who are left out.
4. If we know that somebody is being bullied, we will tell an adult at school and an adult at home.

We ask for our parents and community members to also enforce these rules.



Words of the Week: (12 powerful words)

1. Trace-list steps
2. Analyze-break apart
3. Infer-read between the lines
4. Evaluate-judge

Dr. Nelson's Wonder Word: Anxious-1. Nervous or fearful about what may happen. 2. Wanting very much

(Use these words with your student this week)

◇ **A few summer reading books** are still available in the office. The cost is \$1. Each teacher has a deadline for summer reading reports and/or projects.

Perfect attendance is very important to a child's learning process. PA is honored at each Terrific Kids Honors Assembly. You must have **NO** absences, check-ins or check-outs. Only 8 parent notes allowed per year and any note **MUST** be sent within 3 days or it is coded unexcused. Unexcused is flagged by truancy.

◇ **If your child** has a chronic illness. The chronic illness letter from the doctor must be updated each semester. See Mrs. Gresham if you have any questions.

◇ **Please return any textbooks** that may be at your home. Students will be charged for any damaged or lost books. Please make sure they write their name in ink in the front.

Smart Parenting:



Encouraging School Success

You are as important as your children's teachers in their academic careers! Support and motivate your youngsters to do their best in school.

♥SPECIAL VOLUNTEERS♥

Volunteers are an important part of our school. Some volunteer opportunities include: copying papers, flashing cards, helping students to the library or in the computer lab, lawn care, etc. No job is too big or small that helps our students to succeed!

*Everyone **MUST** sign in at the office and get a volunteer or visitor's pass*

PARENT'S CORNER

Each week we will feature a parent question or comment in this area. If you'd like to make a submission, please send via email, our FaceBook or Twitter page. Your questions and comments are valuable to us and we want to work with our parents to help ALL our students to succeed!

Did you know?

Children that regularly eat meals with their families tend to do better in school and avoid risky behavior. Eating dinner together is great, but other meals count, too. If you work at night, maybe you could make time for a family breakfast or on a weekend, try a picnic.

This summer while babysitting, I had a **NO ELECTRONICS RULE** during our meals. It didn't make the kids "happy" but, we learned to enjoy that time together and I learned a lot about the kids. (Submitted by: Mrs. Poole)

◇ **PTO is an important part** of our school. The PTO sponsors the fall & spring festivals and many other fundraising events. They help to advance our technology and donate countless hours to help our students. Be a part of this great team. Please join PTO! The cost is \$5 per family.

Important Dates to Remember

PK/K (5pm) & 1st (6pm) Parent Orientation.....8/14
2nd (5pm) & 3rd grade (6pm) Parent Orientation...8/15
4th (5pm) & 5th grade (6pm) Parent Orientation....8/17

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