



Battlefield Primary Cub Report



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A Note from the Principal

Happy February everyone! Thank you so much for supporting us in our winter benchmark testing. As you may know, this recent testing was to show how much your child has learned so far during this academic school year. I will be able to show the school's growth on these assessments at our next Local School Governance Team (LSGT) meeting. Speaking of the LSGT, parents are always welcome to attend these meetings. The LSGT meetings are listed on the school calendar should you wish to attend one.

One of the strategies that we are using to increase academic achievement at BPS is something called Professional Learning Communities or PLC's (we love acronyms in education). One basic component of this is for teachers to collaborate on a weekly basis. It is during this collaboration time that the teachers will look at data from every classroom in that grade level. They will then identify teaching strategies that they have found successful and share these ideas with each other. This is a pretty neat and common sense approach in teaching. In essence, your child is being supported by every teacher in that grade level!

Finally let me thank our PTO and all the parents who showed up for our Doughnuts with Dads event last month. I think we had more parents show up for this event than ever before. It was awesome to see parents getting involved in their children's lives!

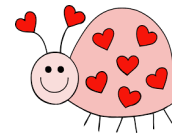
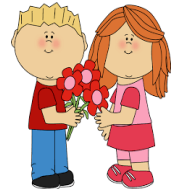


I hope that this month is filled with blessings for you and your family.
Stay warm!

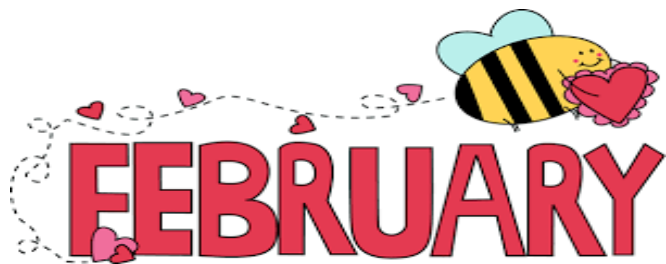
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Upcoming Events

- Feb. 5 PTO/Title I Meeting—8:30 a.m.
- Feb. 8 1st Grade Parent Luncheon
- Feb. 8 Krispy Kreme Sale Ends
- Feb. 12 Progress reports go home
- Feb. 14 Valentine Parties
- Feb. 15 - 19 NO SCHOOL
- Feb. 27 Renaissance Career Dress-up day
- Feb. 27 Candy Sale kick off
- Feb. 27– March 20 Pre-K Registration
- Feb. 28 LSGT meeting at 9:00
- Mar 4 Dr. Seuss Week begins
- Mar 4-7 Book Fair
- Mar 7 Reading Night
- Mar 13 Candy Sale Ends
- April 16 Pre-K Lottery Drawing
- May 1 Kindergarten Registration



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Tolerance
is the character trait
of focus during the
month of February.

To be **tolerant** is to respect the individual differences, views, and beliefs of others; to be fair and treat everyone equally.

News from the Nurse

NATIONAL CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH MONTH

Each February, the American Dental Association (ADA) sponsors National Children's Dental Health Month to raise awareness about the importance of oral health. No matter where you go or what you do, your teeth are always with you. Dental problems can be painful and very expensive to treat. That's why it is important to establish good dental habits when your child is young. Remember that dental problems that develop in childhood (like cavities and gum disease) can continue to impact your child for the rest of his/her life.

Here are some suggestions to help your child avoid tooth decay:

- Teeth should be brushed thoroughly (with your supervision and/or help) at least two times a day. Pay close attention to the chewing surface of the molars and where teeth come in contact with each other.
- Make sure your child gets the recommended amount of fluoride, which strengthens the teeth and helps to prevent cavities. (Ex. Drinking water, fluoride toothpaste and mouth rinses.)
- Limit your child's meals and snacks to a reasonable number, as they serve as a source of sugars which "feed" the decay-causing bacteria. Monitor soda and juice consumption as well. Eat calcium-rich foods such as cheese, milk, and yogurt. Calcium builds strong bones and teeth. Encourage healthy snacks of crunchy foods like raw carrots, apples, and celery as these foods help scale the tartar from teeth.

Developing good habits at an early age and scheduling regular dental visits helps children to get a good start on a lifetime of healthy teeth and gums.

**Dr. Seuss week is
March 4 - March 7
at BPS!**



BPS Candy Sale Coming soon.....

BPS's annual candy sale will be
February 27th through March 13th.



Watch for an informational letter, which includes a candy request form, to go home in your child's folder on February 20th. **In order for your child to receive a box of candy to sell, you must return to the office a completed and signed request form.** Candy will not go home with your child without your written permission. After your child has sold his/her first box, you may request additional boxes to sell. Students with outstanding obligations must pre-pay to participate in this fundraiser.

Chick-fil-A biscuits on sale every
Thursday morning in the car-
rider line.
Cost is \$3.00 each.



**Help A
Child Smile**
Mobile Dental Program

Help A Child Smile is a mobile dental program that works with the school to provide dental care to students. Please be on the lookout for the permission forms that went home. If you are interested in this program, you can simply sign up by returning the permission form to the school or go to their website:
www.MySchoolDentist.com



*PRESIDENTS'
DAY
February 18, 2019*



REMINDER

Make sure to notify the school of any phone number changes in order to continue to receive SCHOOL CAST TEXTS. Text messages will be sent to the primary phone number we have on file.

Scholastic Book Fair is coming!!

March 4-7 (M-Th)



7:30-3:00 Monday-Thursday
Also open on Reading Night from 5:00-7:00.

We accept cash, checks, credit/debit cards, and eWallet. For more information on how eWallet works:

<https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bookfairs/parent-how-it-works.html>



PTO will be selling Krispy Kreme Doughnut Cards until February 8th.

If you would like to pay with a credit card, contact PTO at 706-861-5778. They will also be available at the First Grade Parent Lunch on 2/8/19 from 11:00-1:00

CCPS Mission Statement

Catoosa County Public Schools provides a high quality education for all students in a positive & safe learning environment.

CCPS Vision Statement

Catoosa County Public Schools will be a nationally recognized learning community whose graduates are prepared for tomorrow's challenges.

Join BPS Parent Involvement on **Remind**.
Text bpspa to 81010
from your phone!



Upcoming Events:

PTO/Title 1 Meeting-
Feb 5 @ 8:30 am



First Grade
Parent Lunch-
February 8

Reading Night
March 7 at 6:00
p.m.



Spring Book
Fair
March 4-March
7.



BPS Parent Involvement February

Parents don't forget that we have lots of great items in the Media Center of the Family Resource Center. Book resources include:

Odd Girl Out...The Hidden Culture of Aggression in Girls

This book examines bullying among girls. Through interviews with more than 300 girls in 10 schools, as well as 50 women who experienced bullying when they were young, the author offers a detailed portrait of girls' bullying. She shows the toll that bullying can take on girls' self-esteem.

Siblings without Rivalry

This book shares ways to defuse such explosive situations as comparing, assigning roles, or taking sides and suggests specific remedies to avoid conflict between brothers and sisters. Cartoon-like illustrations and "quick reminders" help reinforce new behavior.

Come in any time during school hours and we will be glad to show you around and get you acquainted with the media center and the resources we have available.

Parents, please come in and see our Family Resource Center. It is located down the First Grade Hall in Room 406. Come see the people who volunteer there, and see what they do. I, Cherry Stephenson, Parent Involvement Coordinator, am here everyday that children are in school. I will be glad to show you around and talk with you about how you can help. Once you come in and see what it is all about, I hope you feel right at home. If you have any questions, please give me a call at 706-861-5778 or email me at cstephenson.bps@catoosa.k12.ga.us. I will be glad to help you in any way I can!

Thank you for all of your help parents. The school really appreciates it, and I know your children enjoy seeing you around the school.

Remember:

It has been proven that children whose parents are involved in their school excel.



FREE GED CLASSES AT THE LEARNING CENTER

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE CHERRY STEPHENSON, PARENT INVOLVEMENT COORDINATOR, OR CALL THE LEARNING CENTER AT 706-965-6155.

THEY OFFER GED, READING, COMPUTER, AND ESL (ENGLISH AS SECOND LANGUAGE). THEY ALSO OFFER CHILDCARE AND TRANSPORTATION.