



Battlefield Primary



A Note from the Principal

Where has the school year gone? It seems like we just had our open house night! Oh well, I guess that means that I am getting old. (I am)! Let me take some time and talk to you about some big things going on this last month of the school year.

By now you should have received a letter from the school titled "H₂O for our Heroes". This letter informs you about our last service project for the year. We are gathering drinking water for our local first responders (law enforcement, fire department, paramedics, etc.). These people do so much for our community and this is our opportunity as a school to say *thank you* to them. This is especially personal since we will be getting a school resource officer next year! In case you have not heard, we will be sharing a resource officer with our sister school, Battlefield Elementary. We are very much looking forward to having this person within our building next school year.

Finally, the first week of May is teacher/staff appreciation week. Please join me in thanking the BPS staff for ALL that they do! If you will allow me, I can tell you one way you can show them appreciation, especially if your child goes to our after school program. On Friday evening, May 4, our PTO is hosting a "prom" for our staff at an off site facility, and it will begin at 6:00 p.m. Many of our staff work our after school program, so in order for them to get to their event on time, we will close our afterschool program at 5:15 p.m. If your child attends afterschool, it would be a tremendous gift to accommodate this early closing.



Well that is all for now. Family Fun Day is coming up, so maybe I will see you on that day. Just remember that you might get wet :)

Geoff Rhodes

Upcoming Events

- May 1-4 Staff Appreciation Week
- May 1 Benchmark testing begins
- May 1 Ident-A-Kid child ID pictures
- May 3 Progress reports go home
- May 4 Pre-K lottery drawing at the county office
- May 7 Kindergarten registration at the county office
- May 9 School Nurse Day
- May 11 Benchmark testing ends
- May 13 Mother's Day
- May 14 Second grade to BES
- May 14 Upcoming 3rd grade parent orientation at BES 6:00 p.m.
- May 15 First Responders Appreciation Day Assembly at 8:45
- May 17 Family Fun Day
- May 17 Upcoming PK & K parent orientation tours starting at 4:30 p.m.
- May 22 LSGT at 5:00
- May 24 Hawaiian Shirt Day
- May 25 Last day of school. Report cards go home.



Thank you for a great school year!



LOST AND FOUND



We are overflowing with lost and found items. Please claim your lost items by the last day of school, Friday, May 25.

Any left over items will be donated at the end of the school year.



End-of-Year Info from the Media Center

Last day to check out library books is May 9.

All library books are due Friday, May 11th.



Visit the Catoosa County Library and take part in the Children's Summer Reading Program!

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SELF-CONTROL is the character trait for May.

To have self-control is to be able to:

*make good choices,

*be in control of your actions and emotions,

*and to be polite and courteous with your words and behaviors.



Most grades will have some sort of water day in May. Please remember to

send an extra set of **shoes** and **clothing** along with **towels** for your student on these designated days. We will not be able to provide towels or dry clothes.



Nurse's Notes: Preventing Sunburn

Warmer days are upon us and that means more time outdoors, more exposure to the sun, and more risk for sunburned skin. Follow these guidelines to help prevent sunburn:



- Apply sunscreen at least 30 minutes before going outdoors.
- Use a sunblock made for children with an SPF (Sun Protection Factor) of at least 30 or higher. SPF ratings tell you how well the sunscreen blocks the sun's harmful UV Rays. Choose a product that says "broad spectrum" coverage.
- Apply sunblock all over the body and if your child swims, use a waterproof sunblock.
- Reapply sunscreen every 2 hours when outdoors, even on cloudy days. No matter what the label says, you need to put on more sunscreen when it is windy and after being in the water.
- Shield sensitive shoulders and chest with a T-shirt.
- Wear a hat with a wide brim to protect and shade the face.
- Don't let your child stay in the sun too long, especially between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 2 p.m.

These measures should be a part of your everyday routine, not just reserved for trips to the beach or a day at the ball field. And remember, children who suffer from bad sunburns have an increased risk for skin cancer as adults.

End of the Year \$\$\$ Notices

After School Program

Beginning **Monday, May 14**, all ASP students will be on a **pay daily basis**. All accounts must be kept at a zero balance every day in order to use the after school services. Students will need to have another form of transportation on any day their account is not current. End of year report cards will be held for any unpaid obligations. ASP overages may be applied to registration and/or payments for 18/19 school year (even if child moves to BES). For questions about your child's ASP account, please call Mrs. Nix.

Cafeteria

For questions regarding your child's cafeteria account, please **check on parent portal** or contact Mrs. Farrow. Please check your child's folder or agenda daily for notices regarding balances due. Cafeteria overages will be refunded on last day of school. End of year report cards will be held for any unpaid obligations.

Candy Sale

The candy sale ended on March 21, 2018. Payment for any candy box you requested is now past due. Unsold candy MAY NOT be returned at this point in time. Full payment of \$60 is required. End of year report cards will be held for any unpaid obligations. Please contact Mrs. Nix with any questions or concerns.

*We want to thank all the parents who have been so diligent to keep their child's accounts current and paid all year!
You're fantastic!!!*

2018/2019 Kindergarten Registration

BPS Kindergarten Registration will be held on **May 7, 2018**,
at the **Student Enrollment Center**
located at 108 High Street in Ringgold.
(Next to the Board of Education Building)

The following documents are required for enrollment:

- Student's Birth Certificate (Must be age 5 on or before 9/1/18)
- Student's Social Security Card
- Valid and current: Immunization Certificate (Georgia form 3231)
Ear/Eye/Dental Screening (Georgia form 3300)
- Current proof of residence Electric, gas, or land-line phone bill
- Photo Identification of parent or legal guardian
- Legal custody or guardianship papers, if applicable

Registrations forms are available at
www.catoosa.k12.ga.us

If you can not attend this day, the Enrollment Center hours are from
8:00-11:30 a.m. and 1:00-4:00 p.m., Monday - Thursday.
Closed on Fridays during the summer.

H₂O for our Heroes



For our May service project, Battlefield Primary School will be hosting a bottled water drive from now until Friday, May 18, to support First Responders. We will be collecting cases of water to donate to our local police and fire departments, as well as our local EMS station.

Our goal is to donate 200 cases of water. Will you help us reach our goal?

Please send in cases of bottled water, or a monetary donation marked for our May service project. Would your business like to donate 25 cases for a **FREE** yearbook ad?

Thank you for your support!

For more information or questions, please contact Cherry Stephenson at

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



BPS Parent Involvement



Upcoming Events:

May 1st-4th

FACULTY and STAFF APPRECIATION Week!!



May 7th

Kindergarten Registration at the County Office 8:00-4:00 **Bring your kindergartner!** They will be screened****

May 9th

DAC Meeting, Catoosa Learning Center 11:00 a.m.

May 17th

Family Fun Day



Summer Field Trips...

The school year is almost over - but the classroom isn't the only place your youngster can learn new things. Here are suggestions for family field trips that are fun and educational.

Ballpark

Batter up! Attend a local ballgame, and ask each family member to choose a batter and calculate his batting average for that game. Your child will need to track the player's number of at-bats and hits. Then, divide the hits by at-bats. Whose player gets the highest average?

Airport

Explore the science of flight by visiting a regional airport (call first to see if they allow visitors) or going to a viewing point. Beforehand, your youngster can read up on airplanes in a library book or online. Then, watch planes take off and land, and have her point out parts she recognizes, such as the jet engines, wings, cockpit, and landing gear. She could time how long a plane rolls down the runway before takeoff or how long it takes to stop once it lands.

Farm

A local farm is a great place for your child to discover where his food comes from. Find one that's open to the public, and take a tour. He could see farm machinery, learn what crops grow in your area, or watch cows being milked. Idea: If possible, purchase eggs or farm grown vegetables, and have your youngster help cook them.

Our District Advisory Committee meeting will be held Wednesday, May 9, 2018, at 11:00 am. We will review and approve the 2018-2019 Catoosa County Parent and Family Engagement Policy. Please RSVP by May 4th to Cherry Stephenson at cstephenson.bps@catoosa.k12.ga.us or phone 706-861-5778.

Everyone is welcome!