

Paw Prints

A Message from our Principals...

SHOUT OUT to all of our **4th grade Bears** for Rockin' the **Writing Checkpoint** on Tuesday!!! Way to go, Bears!!! We knew you could do it!!! ☺ Speaking of Checkpoints, **3rd and 4th graders** will be taking the **Math and Reading District Checkpoints on February 8th and 9th**. We know the Bears are going to shine!! ☺ Since we use these Checkpoints to simulate a STAAR testing environment, we are asking that there be no visitors in the building on testing days. Thank you!! ☺ **Bear Boogie on Friday, February 5th at 1:45 p.m. (regular time)**. Have a GREAT weekend!

Proud to be a Birmingham Bear! ☺ Mrs. Doolan-Principal & Mrs. Kishindo-Assistant Principal ☺

Counselor's Corner...

Hello Birmingham Parents and Students! I hope you all enjoyed "Mapping Your Future" day last week and that the books the students brought home sparked valuable conversations as a family. It's never too early for our children to start thinking and dreaming about what they want to be when they grow up. Yes, most of our children will change their minds over the years. Their dreams of being princesses and super heroes will turn into engineers, teachers, nurses, and firefighters, but encouraging them to reach for their goals will never change. Talk with your children about their dreams and goals often, encourage them when they experience failure, and praise them when they experience success. And when they DO fail, because they WILL, remind them that fail stands for **First-Attempt-In-Learning**.

-Katie Ray

Campus Happenings...

BNN is brought to us this week by the following crew members:

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| Alaina McCarty | Colin Maziveyi |
| Emrie Martin | James Hyden |
| Lily Parker | Saniya Demars |
| Tyler Harbison | |

This week's Animoto presentation is by Emily Fowler and Savannah DeLeon.

From the Library...

Keep working on the Reading BINGO cards! Right now the 1st Grade class is leading the pack with almost DOUBLE the number of completed cards as any other grade level! Way to go 1st Grade!! But we have so many great readers from every grade level! Remember – there will be a special celebration at the end of school for all those completing all 6 cards! I also wanted to let you know – the prize for completing the orange card is a free kid's meal at PDQ. The coupon for those meals show an expiration date of 12/31/15. **I spoke to the Manager of PDQ, and was assured that they WOULD still honor them.** They are sending new ones in a few weeks, but if you have – or receive – an outdated one, please still use it to celebrate your Bear's accomplishment! ☺

Happy Reading! Mrs. West

From Nurse Kara...

Please consider placing a change of clothes in your child's backpack, you never know when they may need them – a fall in the mud, chocolate milk spill, tear in the pants, potty accident.

For students who need, we keep extra clothes in the clinic. My stock of boys and girls pants and underwear is getting slim, sizes 4t and up are needed. If you have extra pants that your child has outgrown, please consider bringing them in. Anything that is not needed will be donated.

Thank you for your help.

January/February 2016

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 24 | 25 | 26 4th Grade Writing Checkpoint | 27 | 28 <i>Think College Thursday</i> | 29 Jump Rope for Heart & Snowball Diabetes | 30 |
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| | Feb 1 | 2 | 3 Follow-up Grit Day | 4 <i>Think College Thursday</i> | 5 Bear Boogie 1:45-2:15 pm | 6 |
| 7 | 8 3rd & 4th Grade Math Checkpoint Chick-fil-A Spirit Night | 9 3rd & 4th Grade Reading Checkpoint | 10 Donuts with Dads 6:45-7:30 am | 11 <i>Think College Thursday</i> | 12 Valentine's Day Parties | 13 |
| 14 | 15 NO SCHOOL – Professional Development Day | 16 | 17 | 18 Kindergarten & 1st Grade PTA Program | 19 4th Grade Plano Symphony Trip | 20 |
| 21 BOOK FAIR | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 Spring Family Night 5:30-7:30 pm Book Fair will be open! 😊 | 26 Bear Boogie 1:45-2:15 pm | 27 Carnival 4:00 – 7:00 pm Book Fair will be open! 😊 |



Be caring for everyone and everything.

Everyone show respect.

Attitude... Have one of gratitude.

Reach for "it" with grit.

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PTA News...

Our Spring Box Top Contest has begun and runs through February 12th! Mrs. Leeper's class won for week 2 with 224 Box Tops! Keep turning in those Box Tops!

We need volunteers for the SAGE activity on February 3, 2016. This is an all-day event and students will get to experience what certain disabilities are like.

Carnival is 2/27/16 and PTA needs your help! Please send unopened Pringles/Lays Stax, unopened soda bottles (any size) and gently used stuffed/plush animals.

Dates:

2/8/2016 – Chick Fil A Spirit Night
2/10/2016 – Donuts with Dad
2/18/2016 – PTA General Membership Meeting



The Wylie Way – Core Values

3rd Nine Weeks – Grit and Work Ethic

January 20 – Day of Grit
February 3 – Follow-up Grit Day

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