

Paw Prints

A Message from our Principals...

The Bears are ending the month with a BANG! Book Fair is open for business all week and will even be open during the BES Carnival on Saturday!! Thursday evening we will host Super Scholar Showcase from 5:30-7:30 p.m. The walls have been showered with some of the Bears' best work and we are ready to show them off!! **Oh...and Berrington will be there!!** Our **Bear Boogie on Friday** will be college themed to Kick-off College Week February 29-March 4 (next week). Don't worry over making plans for the weekend...we've got you covered!! The **BES Carnival is Saturday starting at 4:00 p.m.** Our AMAZING PTA has everything planned from bounce houses to makeovers by Sweet and Sassy **AND** an over the top silent auction! They have really outdone themselves this year. It's an exciting time to be a Bear!! ☺

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

Counselor's Corner...

As part of the Wylie Way Core Value of Grit and Preparation, Birmingham, along with the rest of Wylie ISD will be celebrating College Week! We are encouraging everyone to wear their favorite college or WISD school spirit shirts/gear every day. Don't worry if you do not have a shirt! You can also celebrate by wearing your favorite college's colors or red and blue to show your Bear spirit!

During the week, students will be learning about the colleges and universities their teachers attended. From fight songs, mascots, and traditions, to hearing about the people who encouraged them to attend, your children will hopefully come home ready to learn more about the college experience.

To help continue these conversations at home, visit these fun websites that will give you virtual tours and great information about colleges big and small across the country. It's never too early to explore!

~Bear Love, Katie Ray

www.youvisit.com

www.collegexpress.com

www.campustours.com

Campus Happenings...

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

Ashley King	Bella McCord
Berenice Ceballos	DJ Franklin
George Johnson	Kerbie Cash
Marcelo Villegas	

This week's Animoto presentation is by David Lee and Maddox Nachampassak.

From the Library...

Our Book Fair is going strong – and if you haven't been here yet...you need to come see the HUGE selection of books we have! We not only have treasures for our Bears, but we also have a great selection for all ages - from little cubs to Grandma and Grandpa Bears! We'll be open during the Super Scholar Showcase tonight as well as during the Carnival on Saturday, so building that home library will be as easy as possible!

Happy Reading! Mrs. West

From Nurse Kara...

How can we keep our kids healthy during cold & flu season? Here are some tips:

1. The most important is proper and frequent handwashing. Soap and water is always better than hand sanitizer. Wash well between fingers and on the nails for at least 15 – 20 seconds.
2. Eat a healthy diet with plenty of fruits and vegetables.
3. Get enough sleep. Elementary school age children need 10 – 11 hours each night. Our bodies do not fight infection and diseases well if we are fatigued.
4. Stay up to date with all recommended [immunizations](#), including [flu shots](#).

February/March 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
14	15 NO SCHOOL – Professional Development Day	16	17	18 <i>Think College Thursday</i> Kindergarten & 1st Grade PTA Program – 6:30 pm	19 4th Grade Plano Symphony Trip	20
21 Book Fair- all week! 	22 PDQ Spirit Night	23	24	25 <i>Think College Thursday</i> Super Scholar Showcase 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! 😊
28	29	March 1	2	3 <i>Think College Thursday</i>	4	5
6	7	SPRING BREAK			11	12
13	14 Chick-fil-A Spirit Night	15	16	17 <i>Think College Thursday</i>	18 Bear Boogie 1:45-2:15 pm 4th Grade All-District Choir Concert – WHS, 7:30 pm	19



Be caring for everyone and everything.

Everyone show respect.

Attitude... Have one of gratitude.

Reach for "it" with grit.



PTA News...

Birmingham Elementary PTA made the 250+ Honor Roll for Texas PTA!!! This significant award represents that by October 31, 2015, Birmingham Elementary School PTA had 263 members! Thank you to our members for Backing the Future of our BES Bears!

Carnival is 2/27/16! Bring the entire family! Admission is \$5per person. There will be raffles, games, pony rides, bounce houses and MORE!

PTA will have a Special General Meeting on Thursday, February 25th, at 5 p.m. in the Art Room. The agenda includes selecting a Nominating Committee.

Dates:

- 2/25/2016 - Super Scholar Showcase
- 2/27/2016 - Carnival (4 to 7)
- 3/14/2016 - Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night
- 3/22/2016 - PDQ Spirit Night
- 3/30/2016 - Meteor Burger Spirit Night



The Wylie Way – Core Values
3rd Nine Weeks – Grit and Work Ethic

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

