

Bright Elementary School

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News from around our school:

Reminder from Nurse Sue to Parents:

Please remember that your child must be fever free, **below 100 for 24 hours without using Tylenol or Motrin**, and also must be vomit and diarrhea free **for 24 hours**, before returning to school.

Reminder to Parents from the Office Staff:

With winter weather approaching, please make sure that your contact information is correct in Power School so that you will receive calls regarding school delays and closures. If you have had a change in your address or telephone contact information, please call the school office at 812-637-4600 ext. 14903.

Also, please remember that students are to be in their classroom **no later than 8:00 A.M. each morning**. If you are dropping off a student at 8:00 or later, you **must** sign the student in at the office. Thank you.

Pennies4Patients:

We have a warm-hearted challenge for you! One of the many life lessons we would like to instill in our students is helping people in need. Our student council is going to be teaming up with the Pennies for Patients campaign **the week of November 12-16. Friday, November 9th**, all students will be given a parent information letter and a collection box to bring in their change as a donation to help The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. All money raised will be used locally in the tristate area to help patients and their families battling this blood cancer, as well as for research towards a cure.



Upcoming Events

November 12

Veteran's Day Program

November 13

Family Reading Night- 6:30pm

November 14

2-hour Early Release Day

November 16

Kindergarten Feast Day

From the desk of Principal Roth:

As we approach Thanksgiving, I want to thank you all for welcoming me into the Bright Elementary School Community; there is no place I would rather be. The staff has been working hard to develop a new School Improvement Plan. To summarize, we aim to put students first, use data to guide our instruction, average an 80% passing rate on all exams, create a positive behavioral support system, and address the needs of the whole child. With our dedicated staff, supportive families, and hardworking students, I believe we can accomplish these goals this school year.

Veteran's Day Program 2018:

This year's Veterans Day program will take place on **Monday, November 12th, at 1:30pm in the school gym**. We will continue the tradition of playing a slideshow during the program which will feature all family members of Bright Elementary students who serve or have served in the military. If you are new to Bright, or if you have not taken the opportunity to do so in the past, please send in a photo of your Veteran or Serviceman/woman, along with his/her name, relation to BES student(s), branch, and years served. This information can be sent via email to Ms. Keck. If you have already provided this information to us in the past, please do not send in duplicate information. Contact Ms. Keck with any questions, comments, or concerns. mckeck@sunmandearborn.k12.in.us

BES Winter Concert:

The BES Winter Concert is taking place this year on Tuesday, December 4th, at 7:00pm in the East Central Performing Arts Center. All students in first, second, and third grade, as well as the BES Treble Chorus, will be performing a variety of music following the theme "Peace on Earth". All participating students should remember to turn in permission slips for their concert rehearsal by November 23rd.

2018 Santa's Workshop:

Santa's Workshop which will be held during school hours on December 5, 6, and 7. We're always looking for parent volunteers, although a background check is required. Also, a sturdy bag should be sent in with the student shoppers so gifts can travel home safely (gifts will NOT be wrapped unless under teacher direction). Happy Holidays!

PTO Family Movie Night:

The PTO will be hosting another family movie night on December 7, 2018 from 6:30-8:30 PM. Join us as we watch the Christmas classic, ELF (starring Will Ferrell/Rated PG). There will be cookies, popcorn, and hot chocolate for sale! Feel free to wear your coziest jammies! We've heard that Santa will also be dropping by! "The best way to spread Christmas cheer, is by singing loud for all to hear!"

News From Our Librarian:

We are off to a great start in the library this year. I would like to thank all of our staff, students, their families, and our community for supporting our book fair. Thanks to you, it was very successful. I would also like to thank all of the families who donated change to the **All for Books** fund. This program donates books to schools in need around the country.

Our 4th and 5th grade classes just participated in a book tasting, which allowed them to sample some books to see if they might like them. Starting in December, our 3rd, 4th and 5th grade classes will dive into a Dewey Decimal unit and Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade classes will continue learning library skills. Have a Happy Thanksgiving, Mrs. Lisa Hempfling, Librarian

From the desk of Mrs. Ruwe, Guidance Counselor:

College and Career Week- November 12-16

Monday - dress for success, dress up and wear your best!

Tuesday--wear your favorite college gear

Wednesday-- my future is bright, wear sunglasses

Thursday--Today we're Panthers where the sky's the limit....wear your Panthers/Trojan gear

Friday-- Dress for your future career

Mrs. Ruwe will be meeting with each class this week to do a college and career readiness lesson. We will also have posters up so that students can see which colleges staff members have attended. Encourage your children to participate in the college and career week fun!

Our Students & Staff at Work:



Figure 3 Mrs. Hofer's RTI students exploring coding and robots!!



Figure 1- Thankful for our Dearborn County Officers!!!



Figure 2 Little ones ready for the 2018 Halloween Trick-or-Treat Trail