### Monthly Newsletter-September, 2018

# Bright Elementary School

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### **Upcoming School Events:**

Please join us Friday, October 19th from 6:00-8:00 for our Halloween Dance and Trick-or-Treat trail! This fun event is sponsored by our PTO. Activities will include music/dancing in the gym with DJ Crue, pizza and drinks for purchase in the cafeteria, and trick or treating on our nature trail. Everyone is encouraged to wear their costumes (they must be positive/happy/friendly); prizes will be given out throughout the evening for the best ones! Please remember that this is a FAMILY event and children must be accompanied by an adult at each activity. We will be requesting candy donations for the treat trail, you may send any donations to school with your child. We hope to see you there!



### Dates to Remember:

### September 21

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Field Trip

### September 27

4th Grade Field Trip

#### October 4

End of the 1st 9 weeks Grading Period

Parent/Teacher Conferences

#### October 5

Beginning of Fall Break

### From the desk of Principal Roth:

September has been a month full of learning and fun. Our staff has been working hard to make improvements to our School Safety Plan and to perfect our instructional practices. Thank you for participating in the Yankee Candle Fundraiser and for being active participants in your child's learning. October will bring the end of the first quarter, parent-teacher conferences, fall break, and Halloween. Our teachers are looking forward to talking with you and to getting your input on how to help your child be the best they can be here at BES!

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### Physical Education News

Skating permission slips were sent home earlier this month. Please sign and return them with payment before Friday, September 28. We will begin skating Monday, October 15 when we return from Fall Break. Your child will be allowed to bring in his/her own helmet to wear during the skating unit.

### **Student Council News**

Any student in grades 3-5 interested in Student Council will need to pick up a Parent Release Letter and have it returned by Oct 4th in order to be considered for representing their class. The timeline for nominations are as follows.

### October 1 - 4

Students can pick up a Parent Release Letter (need to be returned by 4th to receive Nomination Form) and Nomination Form from Miss Tyler or Mrs. Daugherty.

### October 19th

All student nomination forms must be turned in completed to homeroom teacher.

### October 22nd - 23rd

All 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4th, and 5<sup>th</sup> grade classes will vote for the candidate and alternate of their class. (Please place your class's candidate and alternate(s) in either Miss Tyler or Mrs. Daugherty's mailbox by end of day Tuesday, October 23rd.)

### October 24th

Representatives and alternates will be announced during morning announcements.

## From the desk Mrs. Ruwe- Guidance Counselor:

October Habit is Begin with An End in Mind.

Red Ribbon Week is coming week of October 22<sup>nd</sup>!! Bright Elementary will be participating in a CASA (Citizens Against Substance Abuse) program to learn about tobacco and drug awareness. The program is titled "Squatch out Drugs" and is themed about tracking Sasquatches.

In addition to the CASA program, we will celebrate Red Ribbon Week with theme days.

Monday: **SOCK IT TO DRUGS**, wear silly socks Tuesday: **MY FUTURE IS TOO BRIGHT FOR DRUGS**, wear bright/neon colors

Wednesday: HATS OFF TO BEING DRUG AND

**ALCOHOL FREE**, hat day

Thursday: DRUGS WON'T HOLD ME BACK, wear

something backwards

Friday: PLEDGE TO BE DRUG AND ALCOHOL FREE,

wear red.

Please encourage your child to participate in the theme days as well as the Sasquatch hunt. This will be a great opportunity for students to learn more about the effects of drugs and alcohol on their bodies. This week is also a great time to start talking with your child at home about the effects of drugs and alcohol.

Please let Mrs. Ruwe know if you have recently lost a family member and would like to have your child considered for Fernside Grief Counseling that will occur at Bright Elementary during the school day, once a week, for approximately 6-8 weeks. Fernside is a non-profit organization offering support and advocacy to grieving families who have experienced death.

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Aspiring reading mentors from Mrs. Koth's 3rd grade class inspiring new readers in Mrs. Leising's kindergarten classroom. A proud teacher moment seeing our older kids teach the younger kids.