



February

BUTCHER GREENE ELEMENTARY NEWSLETTER 2018

PRINCIPALLY SPEAKING

Greetings Butcher-Greene Family,

We want to say "thank you" to all parents and family members who attended our 2nd grade Family Day on Friday, January 26th. We were thrilled to have so many family members spend time with their 2nd graders, visiting classrooms, attending the musical performance and touring the Art Gallery. Our children learn best when the adults in their lives, parents, teachers, and other family members work together to encourage and support them. That is why your continued support and presence is extremely important. Your involvement is essential to ensuring that your child receives the best education possible. Once again thank you so much.

Butcher-Greene PTA is up and fully functioning. Mrs. Khaleel and Ms. Paula Talley are looking for more parents to join them. PTA is a vital part of the school community at Butcher-Greene. By getting involved with PTA you will have the opportunity to help make positive changes to our school community. We encourage you to become a member. Please let us know if you have any questions.

February is Kindness Month. It is a great time to focus on random acts of kindness with your children. Spreading a little kindness to those who may not expect it is very rewarding. Being kind to others is easier than you think. Even the smallest acts of kindness go a long way, and make you someone's hero. We are encouraging all students to show random acts of kindness to someone every day this month.

February is also Black History Month. Black History Month began as "Negro History Week." It was created by Carter G. Woodson, a noted African American historian, scholar, educator, and publisher in 1926. It became a month-long celebration in 1976. The month of February was chosen to coincide with the birthdays of Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln. Join us in celebrating the rich heritage of courage and historical contributions African-Americans have made to our great nation.

Our Major Saver campaign will kick-off on Wednesday, February 13th. Major Saver is a community-oriented program dedicated to providing a premier fundraising program that benefits our school, students, restaurants, family entertainment businesses and community patrons. The Major Saver Preferred Card Program is a restaurant and family entertainment discount card that students sell to raise funds that benefit education foundations and schools. This is an excellent opportunity for families to support our school efforts. Thanking you in advance for your support.

Early Release Days. We have two Early Release days this month, Wednesday, February 7th and February 28th. School will dismiss at 1:05 pm. Also, no school on President's Day February 19th.

Butcher-Greene has a boy's book club. The Reading Rebels meet three days a week during their lunch time to discuss books they are reading. All of the 4th grade boys are enthusiastic readers. The idea of starting a book club was presented to 4th grader Kylan Johnson who is an avid reader. Kylan took to the idea and quickly recruited four of his classmates. The boys are looking to grow the club and show that reading is FUN!

Please check us out on our Butcher-Greene webpage. We encourage you to visit often as well as have your family and friends check us out at butchergreene.grandviewc4.net for the latest up to date information, news and monthly calendar of events.

Thanks so much,
Dr. E. Judon, Principal

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Valentine's Day Classroom Parties

Valentine's Day Parties will be Wednesday, February 14th. Watch for a note from your child's classroom teacher.



Sign Up!

FOR TEXT ALERTS

You can now receive news, emergency alerts, and school information via text!

Just text "Y" or "Yes" to 67587 to opt-in!

5th GRADE NEWS

Fifth grade students had a scrimmage over adding and subtracting fractions the first week of February. We will then begin a unit over multiplying and dividing fractions. Student attendance is very important during our units over fractions as a large portion of the end of the year exam will cover fractions and new concepts will be introduced daily. Students are working hard and extra practice at home is always valuable and so beneficial to student success. Ms. Judon has purchased a math program I encourage all students to spend time on it nightly. All students have their username and password and know how to login to ALEKS.

Thanks for all your support!!!

Ms. Laney

Parents and families, I am so excited to be coming back into the classroom this month! I've definitely missed the kids and watching them grow. In my absence, your children have been studying one of my favorite novels, "Hatchet", as well as learning all about poetry. In my return I look forward to seeing their progress as we head into the home stretch before MAP testing in just a few short months.

Mrs. Harrell

Welcome to second semester! We hit the ground running this month building habitats for zoo animals and making presentations to the Kansas City Zoo! This semester will be full of projects such as saving lions, building toys, finding new ways to keep our water clean and much more. Encourage your students to read nightly and always ask questions about their reading. Their critical minds are just beginning to develop the ability to take on deeper topics and begin to really debate. The more reading they can do, the more this ability will grow! Thanks for your support both in and out of the classroom. I look forward to a great semester.

Mrs. Dane

KINDERGARTEN 100 DAYS OF SCHOOL

Butcher-Greene kindergarten classes celebrated the **100th day of school on Tuesday, January 30th**, with a parade around the school, wearing 100 day capes and hats, giving out 100 dollars bills (fake) and counting to 100. As part of the celebration each kindergarten class created projects and did activities all geared toward 100. Teachers and some students even dressed up as 100 year olds.



HEALTHROOM

Dental screenings and varnish applications took place on **Wednesday, February 2nd**, for **1st, 3rd and 5th grade students (with permission slips) only.** All other 1st, 3rd & 5th grade students were given a dental packet and information. Cass County Dental Group said are students did a great job.



With cold and flu season here, it may be necessary for you to keep your child at home. **If your child is sick, or running a fever, please do not send them to school.** Student absences should be called in no later than 10:00 a.m. at 816-316-5410, it may be necessary to leave a message. Your child's attendance will be updated as needed. Make sure students are properly dressed for predicted weather conditions so they are prepared for walking, waiting for a bus in the cold, or for being delayed on a bus in a weather-related situation. Dress warm with coats, boots, hats, gloves and scarves.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the health room at 316-5410. Thank you.

Mrs. Strong

Health Room



Prevent the Spread!

- Stay at home when you are sick
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze
- Cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve, *not* your hand
- Put used tissues in the waste basket

PHYSICAL EDUCATION ~ CHERYL BOLES-PELZER

I just wanted to give a HUGE "shout out" to everyone that helped make Family Fitness Night on Thursday, February 1st, a great success! It was awesome to see so many students and families smiling, laughing and having a great time. Thank you all so very much for your assistance! Obviously, things would not run smoothly without your willingness to support this fun event for our students. I want to give special thanks to all of our parents, Butcher-Greene staff, PTA, custodial staff, and LINC for participating and helping out. Thanks again for all of your support!

Cheryl Boles-Pelzer

Physical Education Instructor



COUNSELING CORNER

Dear Butcher Greene Bear Nation,

In the spirit of the month of February, we will be starting a celebration for the month centered around Random Acts of Kindness. The act of the day will be read over morning announcements and students of all ages will be encouraged to participate. Our goal is to work each day to make this world a better place, especially our school. The hope is once we start the ripple of kindness that it will continue out into our community and even find its way back to BGE. We will be hosting a kindness assembly on the morning of February 28th as we recognize students who completed the kindness project that will be presented in counseling lessons. Feel free to encourage your child to take part in acts of kindness in your home or even your neighborhood.

Heidi Mertens, School Counselor



FEBRUARY

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			1 Leave a note or picture for a teacher or friend	2 Partner with someone who usually has trouble finding one
5 Give a compliment	6 Forgive someone else's mistake	7 Hold the door for someone	8 Smile at someone new	9 Tell your principal how great a teacher in the building is
12 Say thank you to ten people	13 Share something with someone	14 Read to a brother, sister, or pet	15 Help do something in your home	16 Play with someone new today
19 Push in someone's chair	20 Tell someone in your family you love them	21 Offer to help your teacher	22 Clean something at home without being asked	23 Let someone go ahead of you in line
26 Be the first one to follow directions	27 Ask someone "How are you doing today?" and listen to what they say	28 Pick up someone else's trash KINDNESS ASSEMBLY 10 a.m.		

THE OFFICE

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

2ND QUARTER

Aguilera Gallegos Tonanci	Gutierrez III Peter
Andrade Sanchez Jamil	Guzman Kevin
Anthony Micah	Hunter Moore
Arriola Kevin	Hunter-Moore
Bratton Olivia	Hunter-Moore Riya
Canady Kendall	Morataya Guzman Eddy
Castro Brandon	Otis Yanni
Castro Ayala Karen Giselle	Parker Kaydin
Davis-Sanders William	Parker Khortnei
Dunlap Zyland	Parker Jr Kevin
Edwards Washington Jordan	Poole DeAndre
England Cameron Dean	Potter Chelsea
Fisher Deseria	Quinones Amairany
Fisher Triston	Quinones Mendoza
Foster Abel	Rodriguez Melissa
Foster Asa	Santiago Yesenia Ramirez
Garcia Richard	Scroggins Lanaysia
Garron Chance	Touokong Kayla
Gomez Arreola Jesus	Williams Aniya K
Griffin Terrence	
Guardado Perez Elva Sofia	



Butcher-Greene is proud to introduce Honey Bear our new school mascot. Honey Bear will be present during special school events. She was very excited to visit with students during Saturday Academy on Jan. 20th, 2nd grade Family Day and for Family Fitness night. "I'm so pleased to represent the Butcher-Greene Bears and will do my very best to promote school spirit, happiness and make school a fun place to learn."

Honey Bear



The **2018 Major Saver Discount Card** campaign launches in the Grandview School District on Tuesday, February 13th. Students will be selling \$15 cards with 21 Buy-One-Get-One Free offers starting Tuesday, February 13th thru Thursday, March 1st. Major Saver cards can be purchased via cash, check or online at www.majorsaver.com. The online sale can be credited back to a particular student and school. All cards purchased online will be mailed directly to the customer. Proceeds from these sales will benefit the participating schools and the Grandview Education Foundation.



School success starts with attendance

Studies show students that have good attendance typically are more successful in school and later in life than those students with poor attendance.



-Butcher Greene-Building Leaders One Brick at a Time



Looking to leave a legacy at Butcher Greene for your child(ren) and family? The Butcher Greene Outdoor Classroom is moving forward with a brick walkway. Don't miss your chance to be a part of our school history! We have bricks available that you can personalize with Sharpies paint. Bricks will be sealed and placed in the Outdoor Classroom pathway on display for years and years to come!

Bricks are \$10 each. All proceeds will go towards the maintenance and future expansion of our outdoor classroom and science equipment.

Bricks need to be returned filled out with message written with a Sharpie(s) by April 1.

Student Name: _____

Teacher Name : _____

Number of Bricks: _____

*Please make checks payable to Samantha Dane or send cash.