

Principal's Update

Bethlehem Elementary School Week of 12/4/23



School Pledge

At BES, we practice KINDNESS, remember SAFETY, and DO OUR BEST! We are Bulldog proud!!



Vision of a Learner

<https://www.ctreg14.org/teaching-learning/vision-of-a-learner>

In support of our mission, we want the students in our Region 14 communities to be future ready. To ensure that all of our learners are prepared for the opportunities and challenges of the 21st century, we have developed a common understanding of the skills and qualities that will help them to thrive in life.



Our History

Built in 1926 and established in 1927, the original elementary school remains part of our larger complex. Steeped in tradition, many of our students are in fact second and third generation BES students!

Region 14 BOE/District Goals

- **Academic Performance** - The district will strive to improve academic performance for all students on multiple assessment indicators and the staff will be committed to continuous improvement.

- **Communication** - Region 14 will develop partnerships with all stakeholders in the school community to highlight the exemplary programs the district offers.
- **Safety** - Region 14 will provide safe and secure facilities equipped with technology, enabling a 21st century learning environment that supports the values of the district.
- **Budget** - Region 14 will prepare a budget that meets the needs of every student and communicates the needs and priorities of Region 14 in a clear and concise manner.



Important Information

Greetings BES families,

We have big news! Our basketball hoops are fully installed and the children are enjoying them immensely! Our playground is currently being installed, and lastly, you will find three new "Visitor Parking" spaces closest to the building. For safety purposes, please cross

by the cones directly onto the adjacent sidewalk. This is designed to eliminate people crossing at various points in the circle.

Congratulations to our first place champions in their U10 A division, the Woodbury "Lightening Strikes!" Photo above left. We have so many great athletes participating in sports!

We wish to congratulate our November Students of The Month: Pre-K4: Wesley Czaplicki, K: Hazel Yakavonis, Adalyn Olsen 1:Knox Glabe, Ryan Terry, 2: Stella Daddona, Adeline Wolf, 3: Julia Farisello, Matthew March, 4: Sofia Hirleman, Calvin Glabe, 5: Shea Shivera, Victoria Wolf, Learning Center: Joseph Gillette. Art: Savannah Olsen PE: Farah Criscione Library Media: Emily Feliciano Music: Vita Daddona. The next Student of The Month Breakfast for parents will be held on Friday, January 19th at 9AM, more to follow.

We are participating in PJ Day to raise funds for Ct. Children's Medical Center on Friday, Dec. 8th. We invite all to wear PJ's to school and ask that each donate \$1, if possible to this great cause!

Next week our PTO will host the Holiday Shop and Craft Fair. Classes will attend during school on December 13th and 14th, and the PTO Craft Fair is Friday, Dec 15th at 6 PM.

Our Student Council will host stuff a cruiser during the school day on Friday, Dec.15th. Any toy donations (new,unwrapped) are greatly appreciated.

Please note our Holiday Concert has been moved to Monday, December 18th at 6:30 PM to allow for a snow day, if needed. The snow date will be Thursday, December 21st.

Our BES Barkery is going strong and we are raising money for shelters! We are currently accepting donations of: whole wheat flour, canola oil, molasses, ground ginger, ground cinnamon, and ground cloves for our limited edition holiday batches! Donations may be brought to the main office.

As always, if you have any concerns or comments please feel free to contact me directly at wyatsenick@ctreg14.org

BES Snack/Celebration Form :

<https://resources.finalsite.net/images/v1694093541/region14/II9ww0omuwhlii65hgy/ClassroomC>

Parent Resources

Per parent requests, please click on the red descriptive body below to access math resources! You will find both video and text resources that align with our Illustrative Math curriculum that can be used at home!

Region 14 Parent Math Resources

We'd like to introduce you to the Illustrative Mathematics curriculum. This problem-based curriculum makes rigorous elementary school mathematics accessible to all learners. What is a problem-based curriculum? In a problem-based curriculum, students spend most of their time in class working on

[sites.google.com](#)

Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Programs for BES Students

Our very popular partnership with Parks and Recreation continues, as new sessions began last week. Options include: Dodgeball, Bikers, Lego, and Basketball.

Link to form : https://bethlehemct.org/vertical/sites/%7B5308EA3E-1589-494E-AA0B-0BABEF8025FD%7D/uploads/BES_After_School_11.28.23.pdf

****Please remember to send in a note for Mrs. Bernardi dbernardi@ctreg14.org if your child is staying after school for Park and Rec. One note for the duration of the specific program is acceptable. Thank you kindly.**

*News from the PTO- please see our PTO website:
<https://besct.ptboard.com>*



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