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From The Principal

To our Bryn Mawr Community School Families!

As the weather gets colder, please be sure your child is dressed for cold weather. Students go outside everyday unless it's raining, or temperatures fall below 0°F.

Conferences went very well this year. We had a great turn out and we are close to our 100% participation goal. If you were unable to make your conference or have not scheduled a time, it's not too late! Please call to set something up to meet in person or by phone.

November is Native American Heritage Month. This month

the history, contributions, music, art, and experiences of Native American families and students will be centered in our learning here at Bryn Mawr.

November is always a reminder for us to reflect and be thankful for the things we have. At Bryn Mawr we are so thankful to parents for providing our school with time, talent, and treasure! We are also thankful for our wonderful students who are caring and bright. And finally, we are so thankful for the dedicated staff we have to support our students and their families.

Thank you for being a part of this wonderful community!

Principal Oldenburg

AMERICAN INDIAN FAMILY INVOLVEMENT AND AWARENESS WEEK | NOVEMBER 13-17, 2023

American Indian Parent Advisory Committee (AIPAC) November's meeting will be held Tuesday, November 14, 5:30pm – 7:00pm. Monthly meetings are held in person at Davis Center the second Tuesday of each month with a virtual option.

Please contact Christine.wilson@mpls.k12.mn.us for more details.

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1-2 – Día de los Muertos

3 – Teacher record keeping **NO SCHOOL**

9 – National Community Education Day

11 – Veterans Day

15 – Nat'l Education Support Pros. Day

22, 23, 24 – Thanksgiving **NO SCHOOL**

24 – Native American Heritage Day

<https://mpls.k12.mn.us/calendars>

School Engagement News

From your PTA

PTA MEETING

Tuesday Nov 14th

We are also seeking volunteers to manage the Bake Sale Table on election day, Tuesday, November 7th.

Please contact the PTA to volunteer:
info@BrynMawrPTA.org

Visit YOUR Bryn Mawr PTA website at:
BrynMawrPTA.org



IMPORTANT BUS SAFETY INFORMATION

Safety is our first priority and Transportation Services has established rules and regulations designed to protect the welfare of children. Every child, regardless of age, is responsible for following these rules.

Bus Safety Rules

1. Stay out of the "Danger Zones" outside the bus.
2. Follow driver's instructions.
3. Be at the assigned bus stop on time.
4. Always SIT DOWN.
5. Be courteous. No fighting, swearing or yelling.
6. No EATING or DRINKING.
7. Keep your bus clean. Do not damage bus.
8. Keep your head and arms inside the bus windows.
9. No pets or dangerous objects.
10. Wear a face covering at all times while riding the bus.

We ask that parents help children recognize that misconduct can cause serious injury to themselves or other passengers. Disturbances also impact the driver's ability to perform the bus route, causing unnecessary delay. We know that parents understand they share responsibility with the child for his/her conduct while on the school bus and in the school bus loading and unloading areas.

While it is a last resort, students who are involved in serious or repeated incidents will be denied transportation. Parents are always notified if the student is to lose bus privileges.

Counseling Corner

Kim Cook, School Counselor

Practicing an *Attitude of Gratitude* is good for your health!

Research has shown that gratitude can improve general well-being, increase resilience, strengthen social relationships, and reduce stress and depression. (Mindful.org)

"Gratitude heals, energizes and changes lives"

Dr. Emmons NYTimes.com

In positive psychology research, gratitude is strongly and consistently associated with greater happiness. A fun way to practice gratitude with your children is to have a Scavenger Hunt with your family!

Gratitude Scavenger Hunt

1. Find something that makes you happy.
2. Something to give someone else to make them smile.
3. Find one thing that you love to smell.
4. Find one thing you enjoy looking at.
5. Find something that's your favorite color.
6. Find something you are thankful for in nature.
7. Find something that you can use to make a gift for someone.
8. Find something that is useful for you.

From the Library

Laura Kringler, Media Specialist

Heather Thomson, Media Specialist

Library checkouts have been in full swing for K-5th grade in the library media center. We have been focusing our learning on Indigenous Peoples Day by decorating a dream catcher and creating art featuring our favorite things about each season. Some students also worked on creating beadwork patterns. Earlier in the month we read banned books and we are also working on genres in fiction books with the 4th & 5th grades. With our ASD classes we are working on choosing a book independently and listening to a story.

**AFTER SCHOOL
PROGRAMS**
started Tuesday 10/31

And run until Winter Break.
If you are interested and
missed this session,
a new session
starts next semester



TRANSPORTATION SURVEY

MPS is seeking feedback from caregivers of MPS students. This survey will help us understand your experiences with MPS transportation when it comes to transportation services and processes. **Your responses to this survey will be anonymous.** Follow the QR Code to take the survey. →



Congratulations! October Bulldogs of the Month

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| Damya Gbiaga | Bryelle Coleman | Dilan Chere Maila |
| Nat'ure Wilson | Rosendo Abe | Unique King |
| Bryce Lee | Za'marion Carruth | Shan'ty McGowan |
| Yusif Turay | Tyree Jordan | Luca Phanthanivong |
| Khadra Abdirazak | Ja'Veon Houston | Celina Vang |
| Maisie Flynn | Brandon Johnson | Chengleng Vue |
| Malonie Abdurahman | Ja'marveon Brownlee | Samy Pilla |
| Abraham Seys | Zion Gilleylen | Yeleng Vue |
| Lucas Jackson-Briggs | Shamhaad Abdirizak | Chaise Johnson |
| Eliana Reisenbeck | Jaleah Lee | Noriyah Lyons |
| Damascus Trundle | Alonzia Morse | Ta'Niah Gregory |
| Iris Thompson | Iver Quinn | Roy'Al Williams |
| Jean Leon Tipanluisa | Winnie Hurckman | Evelina Lopez |
| Kahlana Ku | Samuel Alejos | Oliver Knox-Reeve |

SECOND GRADE

Second Grade has been working on building our new communities with our friends who recently joined our class from Ms. Seegers' room. We have been continuing to work on our Benchmark Unit: Why do we need a government? In this unit, we have been identifying main idea and key details. We will begin our new unit: Characters Facing Challenges: What can we learn when we face problems? We are working on place value and measurement in math. Keep up the great work 2nd grade!

FOURTH GRADE

In math, we have recently completed Unit 1 which focuses on multiplication. Students are expected to identify factors and multiples of numbers, prime and composite numbers, and solving story problems. Students were also introduced to strategies for solving multiplication equations including open number lines, arrays, ratio tables, and area models. Moving forward, Unit 2 focuses on multidigit factors and division.

In literacy, we have been reading informational texts about U.S. government, including the different levels of government working together to help solve problems and the three branches. We are now moving into literature, which will focus on how characters reveal themselves to others. We will analyze character traits through fables and fairy tales.

For SEL (Social Emotional Learning) we will implement our Second Step curriculum. The first few weeks focus on empathy and respect, listening with attention, being assertive, and respecting similarities and differences.

KINDERGARTEN

Kindergarten is getting into the groove of school. Our classroom communities are working together to learn, take turns and help out a friend. This past month we learned all about apples. We labeled the different parts of an apple and enjoyed an apple taste test to see if we preferred green, yellow or red apples the best. In math, we are working on creating patterns.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The students have been very busy in Ms. Anita's gym. The MPLS P.E. Department has a traveling unit of Cornhole. All of the students learned how to keep score with some modifications for younger students. They had to work on adding their points and working together to see who would go first and take turns. We touched a little bit on some football skills in 3rd, 4th and 5th grade. The younger students completed learning about stations and did a great job.

Next, we will be moving into soccer skills for all.
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