

Important dates

Tuesday January 29- Last day of the StamRead

Thursday February 4- Picture Re-Take day

From the principal

Hello Bennett Families,

I want to thank you so much for your support and patience as we worked through the first couple of days of arrival and dismissal. We really appreciate your help in keeping the line moving by having your kids ready to get in and out quickly to keep the flow of traffic moving! Please remember, if you are turning left into the parking lot in the mornings, you should not drop off without finding a parking space and walking your child to the crosswalk. If you are dropping off across the street from the school, please either walk with your child to the crosswalk or remember to tell your child to use the crosswalk on Bennett Road. We appreciate you!

StamREAD information

It's not too late to register for the StamRead! Here is a link with more information. There is also a video on this site that talks you through how to register:

<https://sites.google.com/view/bennett-community-organization/bronco-stamread>

Here are some fun videos to watch:

<https://www.wevideo.com/view/2002830248>

<https://www.wevideo.com/view/1995912255>

Attached are some Bingo Boards! Just a fun way to get in some extra reading!!

[BCO Bingo PreK-2.pdf](#)

[BCO Bingo 3-5.pdf](#)

Reminders

1. Call the attendance line 488-4751, or enter an absence in ParentVue when your child will be out. If they are sick, please leave detailed information, so we know if there needs to be Covid related follow up.
2. Students go outside for recess most days, unless it is colder than 10 degrees. Please send appropriate clothing with your students. If you can label them with your child's name, that would be helpful.
3. **All PSD elementary schools will be using enhanced contact tracing.** Classrooms will be kept together as a "cohort: and not mixed with other classes. If a student or staff member has a positive COVID test, the entire class will automatically be quarantined for 10 days.
4. Please send a water bottle with your child, if possible. The drinking fountains are turned off. They will refill at the water filler stations.

BCO News

Happy Squirrel Appreciation Day from the Bennett Community Organization! Your PTO, the BCO! I am Eric, your BCO Co-President. A couple years ago a squirrel was building a nest in the tree in my backyard. The next day, the nest fell out of the tree! The squirrel's wife was not happy. While she jumped around the fallen nest, berating him, he gave me a look like he wanted me to throw a rock at him to put him out of his misery. We had a guy moment together. Later I had to pick up the fallen nest because the squirrels divorced and moved to different trees.

The Bronco StamREAD is here and we're off to a great start! If you haven't yet, please register your students using the papers that were sent home with your students. Be sure to hang onto the registration sheet as it contains a unique code for your student that will be used to log in and track their minutes read. If you have misplaced your registration sheet, please contact us and we can send the code again. The StamREAD will run through January 29th.

Please, please, PLEASE be sure your students are registered for this event, even if you do not plan to donate. Every student that registers and logs their first reading session will receive a FREE grade level appropriate book picked out by Bennett's Librarian Mrs. Larson! Books will be distributed to eligible students after the conclusion of the StamREAD! We want every student to get a free book just by participating!

The StamREAD will be our biggest fundraiser this school year with the primary goal to pay for Bennett's annual subscription to Renaissance Learning. Renaissance Learning is purchased for

Bennett Elementary by the BCO and provides Accelerated Reader and STAR math programs to our students! Our goal is to raise \$50.00 per student, which would raise approximately \$16,000.00 for Bennett Elementary. We have some fun events and prizes planned to support all of our readers and emerging readers! We are aiming to have the students collectively read for 100,000 minutes during the event. Twenty minutes a day per student adds up quickly!

Thank you for supporting the BCO and Bennett Elementary!

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AlphaBest

AlphaBest is a before and after school program offered here at Bennett. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

[Alpha Best January.pdf](#)

Kindergarten registration

It's that time of year, kindergarten registration for the 2021-2022 school year! Please share this with friends and family! Here is a link with some more information.

https://www.psdschools.org/sites/default/files/PSD/communications/School%20Registration%2C%20Choice/2021-22_PSD-Kindergarten-brochure.pdf

All registration will be done online this year.