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“Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. The one who sows to please his sinful nature, from that nature will reap destruction; the one who sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life.” Galatians 6: 7,8

Be sure to check out our newest feature....Kudos For Kids!

**Monday, 09/26**

Hot Lunch: Sausage/Cinnamon Rolls/Fruit

Hot Lunch Workers: Bobbi Bivens and Kelly Robinson

**GAMES:** AWAY games w/ Calhoun Christian, located at 20 S. Woodrow Ave., Battle Creek, 49016. Soccer @ 5:30 p.m./Volleyball @ 6:00 p.m. Bus will leave the school at 4:00 p.m. and after a food stop, should return to the school around 8:30/9:00 p.m. Mr. O will be driving.

**Tuesday, 09/27**

**Wednesday, 09/28**

7:45 a.m. Secondary students: “See You at the Pole” (Student lead prayer and praises!)

Chapel: Rich Anspach for both elementary & secondary.

Hot Lunch Order Forms for the month of October are due today!

**Thursday, 09/29**

Field Trip: Preschool through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade classes is planning a fun field trip to Cotant’s Farm Market.

**GAMES:** AWAY games w/ Maple Valley H.S., located at 251 Fuller St., Nashville, 49073-9769. Soccer @ 5:30 p.m. Transportation will be by carpooling.

**Friday, 09/30**

TRIP 7:45-8:30 am.

Hot Lunch: Pizza

Hot Lunch Workers: Val Shaffer & Diane Slocum

Bob Jones University Science & Technology Ministry Team-sessions with secondary students to build robots. \*\* SEE MORE INFORMATION LATER IN THIS NEWSLETTER

**GAMES:** HOME game w/ Calhoun Christian. Soccer @ 5:30 p.m.

**DUTIES:** Director/Clock-Schick family; Gate/Cleanup-Armstrong family; Canteen-O’Grady family.

**Saturday, 10/01**

**Go Red! Go White!**

Round Robin Volleyball Tournament @ BCCS beginning at 9:00 a.m. Four schools will be participating (BCCS, Howardsville, Calhoun Christian, and Bedford Bible). Admission: \$2/student (all grades), \$4/adult, \$10/family\* (\*family = those living at the same address).

**Come and join the fun and support our Lady Eagles!**



When you see the clock symbol, it indicates that the information is “time sensitive” or there is a due date!



**SCHOOL SCHEDULE CHANGES**



It has been necessary to make some changes to the school calendar. Please make the following changes to your calendars and plan accordingly.

1. There **will be no school** on Thursday, October 20th and Friday, October 21st. Originally, Thursday was a full day and Friday was a half-day, with Professional Staff Development after lunch. Both days will now be Professional Development Days for staff.

2. There will be school on Monday, March 5, 2012. Originally, Monday had been a Professional development Day for staff



### TIS THE SEASON FOR ILLNESS!

Only a few weeks into this school year and we have had a good deal of illnesses. Here's some information that may be helpful. The common cold and flu (both the seasonal and H1N1) are caused by different viruses but can have some similar symptoms, making them tough to tell apart. In general, the flu is worse and symptoms are more intense. Colds usually have symptoms of stuffy or runny nose, sore throat, and sneezing. Coughs are hacking and productive. It's unusual to have a fever, chills, headaches, and body aches, but if present, those symptoms will be mild. With the flu, fever is usually present, along with chills, headache and moderate-to-severe body aches, and tiredness. Symptoms can come on rapidly, within three to six hours. Coughs are dry and unproductive, and sore throats are less common. Source: U.S. Centers for Disease Control



### WASH YOUR HANDS!!

**THE** single most effective way to prevent the spread of infection is to wash your hands thoroughly and often!

### HOW TO TELL IF YOUR CHILD IS TOO SICK FOR SCHOOL

Kids running temperatures of 100.4 or higher should stay home and drink plenty of fluids. They should be fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication before returning to school. If they have a mild cough or runny nose, school is fine as long as there is no fever and the child feels fairly well. When a bad cough with cold symptoms is present, kids need to stay home until the cough is better, but not all better. The child may need to see a doctor as pneumonia or bronchitis may be the cause. If your child has diarrhea or vomiting, keep them home for 24 hours after the last episode without medications. A mild sore throat is not a problem, but a severe sore throat could be strep throat, even if there is no fever. Other symptoms of strep throat are headache and stomach upset. A doctor can do a test for strep. Children can return to school 24 hours after antibiotic treatment begins. Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.



### SCHOOL CLOSINGS AND DELAYS

Usually, but not always, when it comes to school closings and/or delays, BCCS follows Hastings Area School's schedule. School begins at 10:00 a.m. on days when a 2-hour delay has been indicated. Please tune in to WOOD-TV Channel 8 or WBCH 100.1 FM for a current list, when there are questionable weather conditions. **DID YOU KNOW THAT YOU CAN RECEIVE A TEXT MESSAGE TO YOUR CELL PHONE?** Go to [www.WOODTV.com](http://www.WOODTV.com) and enroll your cell phone number for the school closing text alerts! This service is FREE!

### \$ CASH FOR CLASS \$

School code: 70484

October 2-8, 2011

We are again participating in both the D&W Fresh Market and Family Fare "Cash for Class" program to earn money for our school. Beginning October 2, 2011, it is being updated to a more robust and easier program that ties directly to your D&W Fresh Market/Family Fair "YES" card. An informational letter was sent home with students this week.

### MONDAY, MONDAY

We need helpers on Mondays to prepare and serve hot lunch. This is a great way to use your gifts of service or hospitality to help BCCS. Please contact Cindy Faubert@ 269.945.0538 for more information or to volunteer. Thank you!

### ARE YOU NOT ABLE TO ATTEND PARENTS' CLUB MEETINGS?

Parents' Club exists to raise money to help our school and to support and encourage our teachers here at BCCS. All parents have an opportunity to bless our school by volunteering, even if you cannot attend our monthly meetings. Here are some possibilities:

1. We need people to solicit businesses in our area for donations for our auction (we have a list to help you). Contact Cindy Faubert @ 269.945.0538.
2. We need babysitters and meal-makers to help Cindy Faubert as she takes on the mammoth task of preparing for our auction. Contact Kari Yonkers @ 269.948.3781.
3. We are in need of a Koezee Nut sale coordinator to help with our sale in November. Contact Lucy Neudeck @ 269.671.4327.
4. We need volunteers to work for 2 hour blocks at our upcoming Scholastic Book Fair, October 31-November 3. If you can help us out, call Kay Bursley @ 269.838.9717.

Thank you for helping our school by being involved!

### HELP NEEDED!

Andrea Schick, chair of Promotions and Development Committee, needs help in organizing, promoting and executing plans for raising funds for the school this year. If you have a desire to assist Andrea and the school, please contact Mrs. Freeman. Thank you!



### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY-SCHOOL CUSTODIAN



The school custodian position will be open October 1<sup>st</sup>. If you are interested in knowing more about this job, please contact Judy Freeman @ 948.2151.

### VOLUNTEER NEEDED

The Thornapple Arts Council has provided our elementary students the opportunity to participate in their ArtReach Program. A volunteer is needed for only 1-2 hours per month, from October through May. The coordinator, Mrs. Domke, our Preschool/Kindergarten teacher, will provide training. Our students just need someone - a parent, grandparent, or anyone interested in sharing art with them. Please contact Judy Freeman at 948-2151.



### YEARBOOK



As usual, each school family will receive one free yearbook in the spring. This year, if you would like to purchase any additional copies ***they need to be ordered in advance***. The first sale is currently taking place, and order forms were sent home with each family on Wednesday, September 21st. **If you purchase your yearbook by October 3, it will cost \$24. We will have another sale later in the year, but the price will go up the longer you wait.**



### YEARBOOK ADS, LOVE LINES, PATRONS, AND SPONSORS



If you would like to purchase an ad, "Love Line", or sponsor a page for the yearbook that will be distributed this spring, you can notify Mrs. Eggers ([seggers@bccsk12.com](mailto:seggers@bccsk12.com)). Each of these will be a cost of \$27.00 and ***are due by March 1, 2012***. Also, any generous donations will be helpful and very much appreciated. A donation exceeding \$10.00 will be eligible as a Patron and will be listed on a designated page in the 2011-2012 yearbooks. Thanks!

### Kudos for Kids

This is a new feature that the staff at BCCS is initiating. Each week, a staff member may submit a name and a description of something that they witnessed a student doing that they feel deserves special recognition.

**Caleb Shotts:** Caleb is always willing to lend a helping hand. This week he took time to help with a technology problem I have had for a year, and that made my day! Mrs. Eggers

**Brandon Slocum:** Brandon demonstrated the character trait of helpfulness through his willingness to keep the copier paper supply filled. Mr. Russell

**Joe Neudeck:** Joe has been working really hard at learning his beginning multiplication tables. He brings a very cheerful attitude to our classroom and his smile lightens our days. Thanks Joe for working so hard and making us laugh and smile everyday. Keep up the great work! Mrs. Jackson

**Adrian Russell:** I really appreciate Adrian having such a sweet attitude when I'm giving him reminders, correction, and encouragement to do, and to finish, his work for the day. :) Mrs. Lavender

**Raedyn Rathbun:** Always has a smile and a cheerful word to say to a friend. Mrs. Domke



### UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER



**Monday, October 10:** Parent's Club Meeting @ 8:15 a.m.

**Tuesday, October 11:** TEAM AND INDIVIDUAL SPORTS PICTURES! It's not a "team" picture, if you are not there! Please come to the soccer and volleyball practices dressed in your uniform. Soccer players: Bring both red and white jerseys.

**Thursday, October 13:** Fall Portrait Day beginning @ 8:30 a.m.

**Wednesday, October 26:** Grandparent/VIP Day 1:00-3:00 p.m.

**Friday, October 28-Thursday, November 3:** Book Fair

### **ROBOTIC TEAM NEEDS OVERNIGHT HOUSING**

Next Friday, September 30th, will be an exciting day for our secondary students! The Bob Jones University Science & Technology Ministry Team will be here to give our students an exciting hands-on exposure to 21st-century job skills by teaching them to build robots. Please visit their website at <http://www.bju.edu/welcome/offcampus/ministry-teams/science.php> to see the team and learn more about their ministry.

A team of six (6), a husband/wife, two males, and two females will need housing and a breakfast. If you can provide a place for two of them Thursday night and breakfast on Friday morning, please call the school office.