

Beebe Bugle

October 2009

Principal News

Hello Wonderful Beebe Families,

We would like to thank you for your commitment to your child's education! The support you give to your child and to the school is the perfect ingredient for success. We appreciate your time preparing your child for learning each and every day. It has been a very positive start to the year because of our hardworking students, staff and parents. It is an honor to be a part of a school where there is such a strong sense of community. Thank you for all that you do!

October 1st and 2nd a team is attending a two-day data analysis event called DataSpa, previously called Data Retreat. This is an opportunity to utilize data in our decision-making and align our School Improvement Plan (SIP). The focus is to enhance student learning at Beebe. We will build on our previous goals of the 2008-09 SIP plan.

2008-09 Beebe SIP Goals:

Goal #1: Develop quality work that challenges each student. This goal focuses on three areas:

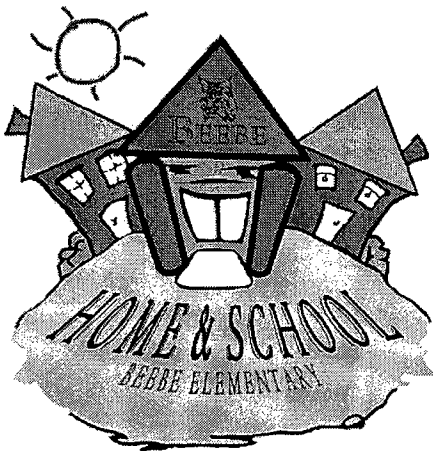
- High Student achievement
- Meaningful student engagement in their own learning
- Improving use of data

Goal #2: Sustain a high performance culture to support each student. This goal focuses on four areas:

- Diversity
- Collaboration with Parents/Parent Education
- Student's social-emotional growth
- Leadership development

Goal #3: Develop leadership capacity

- Enhance staff effectiveness and increase leadership development opportunities for district staff.



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As we work on enhancing the learning opportunities for your child, we will continue to communicate with you. It is very important to us that all members of our community are aware of our academic and social/emotion goals to make progress for our learners. We value your commitment to your child's education and appreciate your input.

Principal Tip: Please continue to stress the importance of reading with your child. Establish a quiet time that is consistent every day that is "sacred

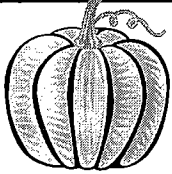
reading time". Set up a special spot inside or outside your home to read. Visit the library with your child and encourage your child to talk about what they are reading with you.

Remember, we do everything better together! ☺

Have a safe and happy October!

Mrs. Martinez & Ms. Marker





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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
			1 RED	2 ORANGE Kindergarten conferences
5 YELLOW 7:30-8:00a.m. BOBLT 12:30 p.m. Book Fair Open (Preview only) 2:30 - 3:20 Study Skill Academy	6 GREEN 8:30 a.m. Book Fair Open (Preview only) 2:30 p.m. Drama Club 2:30 - 3:20 Study Skill Academy	7 BLUE 8:30 a.m. Book Fair Open (Preview & Sales) 2:30 p.m. Beebe Singers 2:30 - 3:20 Study Skill Academy	8 NO SCHOOL k-12 Institute Day 5:00 p.m. Book Fair Open During Evening Conferences	9 NO SCHOOL Parent/ teacher conf. 8:00 a.m. Book Fair Open (Morning Conferences ONLY)
12 NO SCHOOL COLUMBUS DAY	13 RED Fall picture day at Beebe 2:30 - 3:20 Study Skill Academy	14 ORANGE 2:30 p.m. Beebe Singers 2:30 - 3:20 Study Skill Academy	15 YELLOW 9:00a.m. PI Presentation; <u>GIFT WRAP PICK UP</u> <u>5:00-7:00 p.m.</u> Cub Scout pack 567 Pack meeting	16 GREEN PRINCIPAL'S DAY! 9:00 a.m. H&S Exec. Board meeting 9:00 a.m. Third Grade Learn Not to Burn CLIMBING WALL FOR 3 RD GRADE THRU 5 TH GRADE
19 BLUE End of First Quarter 7:30-8:00 BOBLT CLIMBING WALL FOR 3 RD GRADE THRU 5 TH GRADE 2:30 - 3:20 Study Skill Academy	20 RED 2:30 p.m. Drama Club CLIMBING WALL FOR 3 RD GRADE THRU 5 TH GRADE 2:30 - 3:20 Study Skill Academy 3:00 - 9:00 p.m. Chuck E. Cheese Fund Raiser	21 ORANGE 2:30 p.m. Beebe Singers CLIMBING WALL FOR 3 RD GRADE THRU 5 TH GRADE 2:30 - 3:20 Study Skill Academy	22 YELLOW 5:30 p.m. Spanish Speaking Family Information meeting CLIMBING WALL FOR 3 RD GRADE THRU 5 TH GRADE	23 GREEN 8:15-11:45 ALL Kindergarten to Pumpkin Farm A.M and P.M. <u>TOGETHER</u> 12:40 p.m. 3 rd Grade On Your Own Program 1:00p.m. Home & School Meeting <u>PUMPKINFEST</u> <u>SATURDAY OCTOBER</u> <u>24TH 10-4</u>
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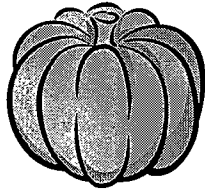
Beebe's 50th Pumpkinfest!

Saturday, October 24TH, 2009

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Beebe School

The countdown has started..... We are only 3 weeks away from one of Beebe's *biggest, most exciting*, fundraisers: Pumpkinfest!! For all new families, Pumpkinfest is *the* fall "festival" to attend to raise much-needed funds for our kids at Beebe. There are oodles of fun games (appropriate for pre-school age and older where the participant *always* walks away with a prize), a delicious concession area for a quick lunch or a hearty snack, a yummy bake sale, and a whole area of awesome things to be raffled off. To give you a few highlights: we have a face painting station, a place to win a fish, a DJ with karaoke, a spooky haunted house, and NFL players coming to run drills on the Beebe field. It is a fabulous way to spend a fun day with your family.



Let's Get Ready to Rumble!

In honor of Beebe's 50th Pumpkinfest, we have arranged to have NFL celebrities attend to sign photos and run drills on the Beebe field! Appearances are scheduled from 1:30-3 p.m. Players who will be here are:

- ❖ **Brian Glasgow** of the Chicago Bears,
- ❖ **Anthony Parker** of the San Francisco 49ers and Oakland Raiders,
- ❖ **Michael Blair** of the Cincinnati Bengals and Green Bay Packers,
- ❖ **Nolan Harrison** of the Raiders, Pittsburgh Steelers, and Washington Redskins.

Don't miss this opportunity to meet these famous NFL players!

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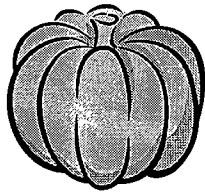
Beebe Parent [REDACTED] has generously volunteered his DJ services for Pumpkinfest on Saturday, October 24th. Join him in the gym for some rockin' tunes and groovin' karaoke! For just two tickets per performer you can be in the spotlight, singing your heart out, making your friends and family proud of your singing prowess!

Thank you to all kindergarten families who have made donations so that we can purchase pre-wrapped and labeled cupcakes for the wildly popular Cake Walk (which is a bit like musical chairs). This year, Pumpkinfest will also have nut-free cupcakes for those winners with nut allergies.

Volunteers Needed

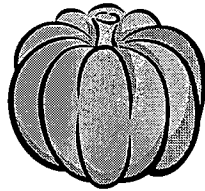
All Beebe alumni, grandparents, and caregivers are encouraged to volunteer, too. If you cannot help during Pumpkinfest hours, we'd absolutely appreciate your help with planning, setting up and cleaning up – we can always use your help! As an added incentive, this year we will give each parent volunteer coupons for a free kids meal to Corner Bakery near the Cantera shopping center. Each family with a parent volunteer will receive one coupon for each child in their family! You can pick up your coupons when you sign in for your shift the day of Pumpkinfest. You will receive a reminder of your shift a week or so prior to the event.

Please contact [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] to sign up for your super-fun volunteer shift.



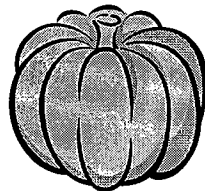
Pick-a-Pocket

Pumpkinfest needs your donations of small prizes for our Pick-A-Pocket game. Please consider contributing new or gently used “kids meal” prizes, stickers and tattoos, beanie babies , DVD’s, Polly Pockets, Pokemon cards, or any other small toys that can fit into apron pockets. Donations are strongly encouraged and should be placed in the “Pick-a-Pocket” bin by the school office, just inside the front doors to Beebe.



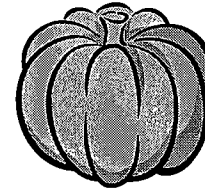
Bake Sale

Our Bake Sale is back by popular demand this year. Please, satisfy your sweet tooth in the gym by sampling some of the fabulously decadent desserts from the Bake Sale. Or stop in early to enjoy a hot cup of coffee (and of course, grab a cookie or brownie).



Boo Cafe

Our wonderfully tasty “Boo Café” will be up and running in the gym starting at 11:00 a.m. Stop by and enjoy lunch or a snack. Examples of menu items include Uncle Steve’s Pizza slices, hotdogs, water bottles, and soda. And, by special request this year, we’ll have a cotton candy machine.



Tickets and Wristbands

By now, you should have all received order forms for wristbands. For just \$20, these bands can be purchased prior to Pumpkinfest and will allow the bearer to play unlimited games. Of the 19 games offered, the bearer will have **unlimited access** to everything **except**: Haunted Hollows, Fishbowl, Face Painting, Karaoke, NFL player photo signing, Pick-A-Pocket, and Cake Walk (these are all 2 tickets per)! NFL drills will be 10 tickets per family. *Please be sure to return your order form by: MONDAY, OCTOBER 19th.* Wristbands can be picked up at a table by the LRC the day of Pumpkinfest. Tickets will be on sale the day of the Fest since some of the games and activities will require tickets, so be sure to bring extra cash. Please contact [REDACTED] with any questions regarding tickets or wristbands, at [REDACTED].

We want to thank the HUNDREDS of people, in advance, who make this event successful year after year!

Please contact:

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

or

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

with any general Pumpkinfest questions.

Home & School Association News

President News

By the time this comes to you, our Home and School activities will be up and running! You may have already participated in the Gift Wrap sale, socialized at the Popcorn Party, sipped coffee with the Principal, attended the Room Parent meeting, and received your artist assignment at the Art Awareness meeting. And maybe you even stopped in to our first Home and School meeting!!!! Wow!! There are a lot of amazing folks making loads of wonderful things happen already here at Beebe School!! So many opportunities to be involved! Thanks one and all for all of your time, energy, and commitment to our students!!

I was able to attend one of the sessions this week with Sean Covey. Sean Covey is the author of several books, including "The 7 Habits of Happy Kids" and "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens." District 203, together with Harris Bank, Anderson's Bookshop, and KidsMatter, planned several presentations for our community with this talented author. My first grader, [REDACTED], was excited as he also heard a presentation from Sean Covey with all of the other first grade students from the district. He couldn't believe we both saw the same author in the same day!! While there were many interesting ideas I heard from my time with this author, one piece of literature that I picked up stuck with me. It is a brochure called "150 Ways to Show Kids You Care". My first thought was "Great! Something else I won't have time to do with my kids because I am too busy!" After reading it, I found many simple suggestions of easy things we can do for our kids.

Here are a few:

- * laugh at their jokes
- * smile a lot
- * ask about them
- * look in their eyes when you talk to them
- * play with them
- * read aloud together
- * giggle together
- * give them space when they need it
- * send them a letter or a postcard
- * listen to your favorite music with them

The suggestions are simple, but seem like they could mean a lot to a child!! Give it a try!

As always, please try to attend our Home and School Meetings. The next meeting is Friday, October 23rd at 1:00 p.m. Contact me with questions or comments.

[REDACTED] at
[REDACTED] or call at
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED], H&S President



