Bardmoor Elementary is a Title I School

August 2014

Website: http://www.bardmoor-es.pinellas.k12.fl.us

Dates to Remember

Welcome Back!

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Mon., Sept.1 Labor Day – No school

Title I Annual Open House Wednesday, September 17th.

Request:

The clinic is in desperate need for boys and girls clothing in all sizes. We need underwear (new), t-shirts (no tank tops) and shorts, and socks that have been lightly worn. We appreciate any help you can give us in this area. Thank you!

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Leigh Owens, Principal Shirley Garrett, Asst. Principal

Teri Wurster, Secretary/ Bookkeeper

Michael A. Grego, Superintendent Ward Kennedy, Region 3 Superintendent Pinellas County Schools' homepage http://pcsb.org/ A Message from Our Principal:

August 18, 2014

Dear Families,

Welcome to Bardmoor Elementary! I am excited to see new and returning faces of both students and staff. This year, our Bardmoor family continues to grow not only with new students and families; but also, we have quite a few new staff members. As always, we have the hardest working and smartest teachers working with your children.

We invite you to be a member of the Bardmoor family by joining PTA, the School Advisory Council (SAC), volunteering or supporting your child by attending family events, reading with them at home and checking agenda books. If you are interested in finding out more ways to support Bardmoor, join PTA or SAC, contact the front office at 727-547-7824. Together we can succeed!

There's an App for That - Speaking in terms of our menu, Food Service is proud to announce that they will again provide an (app) for breakfast and lunch menus. It can be found at <u>www.nutrislice.com</u>. A smart phone with Google Play or iPhone app store is all you need to access menus from anywhere. School menus can also be found on the district website.

Sincerely,

Ms. Owens



The Mission of Bardmoor Elementary is to educate and prepare each student for further education, career and life. Pinellas County School Board is an equal opportunity institution for education and employment. Each student brought home a Day 1 green folder. It is extremely important that all information be completed and returned as soon as possible. Please include as many phone numbers as possible to assist us in reaching you in case of an emergency. Also, please remember to inform us of any changes in information

throughout the school year.



Below is the entire school year calendar showing the days school will be closed for students. You may want to keep this calendar handy.

2014-2015 School Calendar

Mon., Sept.1

Labor Day – No school **Mon., October 20** School closed for students

Mon., Nov. 24 – Fri., Nov. 28

- Thanksgiving No school
- Mon., Dec. 22 Fri., Jan. 2

Winter Break

Tues., Jan. 6

School re-opens

Fri., Jan. 17

No school for students

Mon., Jan. 19

Martin Luther King Jr. Day-No school for students

Mon., Feb. 16

No school for students

Mon., Mar. 16

No school for students

Mon., Mar. 30 - Fri., Apr. 3

Spring Break

Mon., Apr. 6

School re-opens

Mon. May 25 Memorial Day No school

Tues., June 2

Last day for all students

Counselor's Corner

Help Your Child Continue to Learn Things at Home

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- Give your child a daily responsibility to carry out.
- Keep lots of books and magazines around.
- Listen carefully to children and teach them how to listen to others.
- Do simple experiments in the kitchen..
- Play listening games such as "Simon Says."
- Regulate children's T.V. viewing.
- Refrain from helping children with homework that they can do themselves.
- Praise and reward children for effort more than for outcome.

Did you know that elementary counselors:

- Teach classroom guidance lessons on a variety of topics.
- Counsel individual students as needed and maintain confidentiality.
- Counsel with small groups of children with similar concerns.
- Consult with teachers and assist them in meeting individual student needs.
- Coordinate referrals to school and community agencies.
- Coordinate RTI (Response to Interventions) services and meetings.
- Assist with behavior concerns and interventions.
- Maintain an information center in the Guidance Office for parent and teacher use.

Guidance services are available to all parents/ guardians and their children. Please contact me when you have concerns, question or would like to meet me. I can be reached by phone at (727) 547-7824 or email dillenderh@pcsb.org . I look forward to meeting you.

Ms. Haleigh Dillender School Counselor

Title I

Bardmoor is thankful to once again qualify as a Title I School . This year our budget will be used for : -Title I staff (1 Instructional Coach and 5 hourly teachers to support students within the building) -Title I has expanded the resources for Connect for Success, the take home computer initiative (more information will be sent home in the near future. -At Open House we will be sharing our budget and projected expenses and activities.

-If you have any questions, you can contact the front office at 547-7824 or email Jan Ottinger at ottingerj@pcsb.org .



From your PTA:

For those of you that have already joined our PTA, we thank you!! If you have not joined, we encourage you to do so. Check out our website at www.bardmoor.my-pta.org See you at the OPEN HOUSE meeting on September 17th.



A Bíg Bardmoor Thank You!



Bardmoor Elementary is very grateful for all the support you gave us during the last school year! There were 26 adoptions! It's amazing what we can do in one year. The teachers and children are so fortunate to have such a wonderful community who cares so much about the children at Bardmoor. If you are interested in adopting a class or department, or if you know a business that would like to take advantage this tax free opportunity, please request an Adopt-a-Class brochure.



We will be utilizing the Badge Pass system for parent sign in this year. If you are coming to visit the school during the day, please have your identification with you so that it can be scanned. Anyone who comes to pick up your child from the office must bring an id and be on your child's office/clinic card.



Pinellas County Schools observes the Wellness Guidelines that align to the Alliance for a Healthier Generation. The Guidelines are in this newsletter. It is important for families to remember that cakes, cupcakes and candy are no longer allowed in classrooms for birthdays. Schools can have two events each year in which low nutritional foods can be given. These events will be determined by the school and this information will come home in a classroom newsletter. In the attached Guidelines there are options for parents as to what can be brought to school for birthday celebrations. Also, speak to the classroom teacher before bringing in items.

Safety

Assuring your child's safety is of key concern at Bardmoor. You can help by following these guidelines:

Bus Transportation

- Families should have been notified of the bus route for students. If you have any questions, call Transportation at 587-2020.
- Bus riders are expected to follow Pinellas County Schools' guidelines while at the stop and on the bus. Repeated misbehavior can result in disciplinary actions.



- 3. Bus riders will be offered breakfast upon arrival.
- Bus students will come home with a wrist band and backpack band. Please allow your student to wear these the first week of school, as the children and teachers work to develop the dismissal routines.

Portulaca Entrance as a Car drop off/pick up zone

- As a convenience we are utilizing the Portulaca parking area as a WALK UP pick up. zone Adults MUST park their vehicle in a designated spot and walk over to the sidewalk pick up/drop off student. Do not leave car running. Children MAY NOT walk alone through the parking lot.
- 2. There is no smoking, even in your vehicle, on school grounds.

Pets may not be brought to the student pick up area

*Bike riders:

 Bike riders should wear a helmet and walk bike on school grounds. They should secure bike in bike compound with a lock. Bike riders must be in cafeteria by 8:15 to receive breakfast.



*Walkers

- Walkers should cross at crossing guard. Walkers must be in cafeteria by 8:15 to receive breakfast
- 2. Please have a plan for how your walker/bike rider will get home in inclement weather.

Magnolia Car Circle

Thank you for your patience as we get routines in place for the new school year. Parking is limited on the Magnolia side if at all possible, please use the car line for drop off and pick up. Our students are being asked to be at Level 0 (silent) as they are waiting at the car circle. Parents wishing to enter the building should park in the parking lots up near the front office. The car circle is NOT a parent entrance.

- Staff is on duty starting at 8:05 am. Breakfast access closes at 8:20. After this time, students are unable to get breakfast. 1st bell rings at 8:25. All students should be in class at 8:35. Car circle doors will be CLOSED at 8:32. After that time the back doors are locked and you must drive around and your student will be marked TARDY. <u>3 tardies=1 absence</u>
- Please drive slowly when entering the car circle and yield to anyone using the crosswalk. Students MUST be escorted to and from parking spaces.
- Do not drop your child off until you have reached the numbered area. (Do not drop off at the fence line or before crosswalk.) Pull as far forward as you can to drop off students.
- 4. Use crosswalks to cross to/from parked cars.
- 5. Clearly place your child's name and grade level in driver's side window. Slips will be provided.
- When announced, proceed to your assigned number, do not stop and have your child move back to your car. We will adjust loading area as we see necessary.
- 7. Please load and unload from passenger side of vehicle. Do not pull around loading cars.
- 8. There is no smoking, even in your vehicle, on school grounds.
- 9. Pets may not be brought to the student pick up area.

