

February 2020

Important Dates to Remember

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February 5th

World Read Aloud Day-
Dress As Your Favorite
Book Character Or Wear
PJ'S

February 6th

Report Cards Distributed

February 6th

BCPS College Day-Wear
Your Favorite College Gear

February 11th

PTO-Restaurant Night-
Ledo's Pizza New Town

February 12th

Kids Heart Challenge
(Formerly Jump Rope
For Heart)

February 14th

Show Kindness and Caring
Day-Wear Pink, Red
And/Or Hearts

February 17th

Presidents Day Schools
Schools Are Open

February 18th

PTO Meeting

February 21st

PTO's First Annual
Family Prom



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Timber Grove Elementary



Timber Talk

Principal's Message

Greetings Timber Grove Community!

As we officially start the third marking period, it is a good time to reflect upon the experiences of our students in the first half of the year and plan for the successes that they will achieve during the second half. So that we can continually improve the communication between school and home, you are encouraged to regularly login to Schoology to monitor your student's progress. This will allow you to stay in contact with your child's teacher and work together to support their academic success. Together, we can meet the needs of every one of our learners.

The start of the third marking period also means that it is time for your voices to be heard in the annual **BCPS Stakeholder Survey**. On January 27th the BCPS Stakeholder Survey opened. It will remain available online until March 1st. Please use the direct link to the survey, <https://survey.k12insight.com/r/SS2020>, or follow the link from the BCPS homepage to provide your feedback. The survey takes less than five minutes to complete, is available in 16 languages and can be taken from anywhere using a phone, tablet, or computer. If you have more than one BCPS student, you are encouraged to take the survey more than once. Your feedback is important to us as our school uses the data from the BCPS Stakeholder Survey to make improvements for our students and school community. We can't do it without you!

Lastly, as student safety is always the priority please review safe habits with your children as they walk to and from school, as well as to other places. Please remind them to cross the street at crosswalks and to always walk on the sidewalk. Similarly, a smooth and orderly drop-off and pickup at carpool is key for student and adult safety. When dropping students off or picking them up please pull as far down in the loop as possible. This will allow staff to more efficiently get students in and out of cars which will get everyone on their way as quickly as possible. Thank you for your partnership!

Best regards,

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News from 3rd Grade

Field trip permission slips and money are due by February 14th!

News from 4th Grade

In the third unit of mathematics, students will use various place value strategies to solve division problems. We encourage students to work on their division facts 0-12 in their free time! In reading, we will be working in our second unit where our students will be exploring the stories told by Kate DiCamillo in order to compare and contrast themes as well as identify character traits using a variety of stories. During our small group experiences, our students will closely read excerpts from novels written by Kate DiCamillo. As the colder weather is upon us please be sure to have students dress warmly including coat, hat, and gloves!

**** As a reminder, please ensure that your child is in school on time each day as our instruction begins promptly at 8:30! Please also ensure that your child has the necessary supplies needed daily and that the supplies are replenished when needed. Lastly, if there is a dismissal change, please be sure to send in a “signed” note to your child’s teacher! Thank you for your continued support! ****



News from the Library

As we move into warmer weather the library is planning some amazing events. We will have our book fair the week of March 9th through the 13th. Family night will be March 10th. More information to follow as we get closer. If you are cleaning out your child’s bookshelves, please keep in mind our annual book swap. Students can donate their gently used books anytime and in June all students will get at least one new to them book to take home. This completely relies on donations of books in order to make this successful. Thanks!

Please return any overdue library books ASAP. If you have any questions, please email Mrs. Scott at rscott6@bcps.org.



News from PE

The Kids Heart Challenge will take place on Wednesday, February 12th. All students will be jumping rope during their specials time that day. You still have time to register. Please take time to register your child for the event. Our school goal is \$5,000. Thank you to all of students have registered and have fundraiser already.

To register: Download our app or visit: heart.org/KidsHeartChallenge

