



THE LITTLE BENNETT EAGLE

The Weekly Newsletter for Little Bennett Elementary School Families

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THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2020

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SCHOOL HOURS

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MESSAGE FROM MR. MILLER

Attending school each day and arriving on time are critical to the academic and social success of students. According to Montgomery County Public Schools Regulation JEA-RA, students enrolled in public schools are considered lawfully absent from school, including absence for any portion of the day, only under the following conditions:

- Death in the immediate family
- Illness of the student
- Court summons
- Hazardous weather conditions
- Observance of a religious holiday
- State emergency
- Suspension
- Other emergency or set of circumstances which, in the judgment of the superintendent of schools constitutes a good and sufficient cause for absence from school

Please remember to call our office if your child will be absent from school and then follow-up with a note to the teacher when your child returns back to school. Please let us know if you have any questions.



Also, don't forget to turn clocks forward one hour this weekend!

VARIETY SHOW COMING UP NEXT WEEK

Did your student sign up to participate in the Variety Show next week? If so, don't forget to email the performer(s) name(s), age(s), home room teacher(s) and an interesting fact about him/her/them, along with a brief description of his/her/their performance and a short video (2 mins or less) to varietyshow.lbespta@gmail.com ASAP so we can announce your performer(s) during the show. **Please note: If the performance requires music and you have not emailed the name of the song, the artist's name and the exact cut times of each song according to iTunes or provided us with an alternative song via dropbox or thumb drive by tomorrow, your performer will not be allowed to perform.*

As a reminder, the event will be held on **March 13 from 7-8:30 pm** (with performers arriving at 6:30). The dress rehearsal will be the night before on March 12 from 6:30-8:30. Please note: If you signed up to perform, you **MUST** attend the dress rehearsal, unless you make other arrangements with the event chairs in advance. If you have any questions, please email varietyshow.lbespta@gmail.com.

LITTLE BENNETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL YEARBOOK ORDERS

Pre-orders for Little Bennett Elementary School yearbooks are available for \$21.00. We are taking online orders only. Log in to https://yearbookforever.com/school/s/little_bennett_elementary_buy_yearbook_361154/tzj9Za5EL09m2g7nny2cO5uD follow the process for ordering. Don't miss out!



PTA SPRING SURVEY

The PTA is conducting a brief survey to determine what events you would like to see on the calendar for next year. There is a possibility that the PTA will need to scale back on events next year so it is very important that they get your feedback to determine what events families definitely want to see on the calendar. The survey will take less than 2 minutes to complete. Please click here to complete the form:

<https://forms.gle/P6PYuc9ndoKK6UAp8>.

GRADE 2 ASSESSMENT

Grade 2 students at Little Bennett ES will take the Cognitive Abilities Test™ (CogAT®) on March 17, 2020 as part of the Student Instructional Program Planning and Implementation (SIPPI) process. The three subtests of the assessment measure: verbal reasoning, quantitative reasoning, and nonverbal reasoning. You can help your child prepare by making sure he/she gets a good night of sleep the night before and is on time to school.

NOW ENROLLING FOR SPRING ENRICHMENT MATTERS CLASSES

The deadline to enroll your student in the Spring session of Enrichment Matters classes is coming up next week (March 16). Below is a list of all the classes that will be offered. For descriptions of each, please visit the PTA Web site here: <https://www.lbespta.org/after-school-programs>.

Please sign up online at <https://tinyurl.com/littlebennettenrichment> by March 16. Classes will begin March 24 and run through May 21. If you have any questions regarding the classes offered, please contact the Enrichment Matters Committee Chair, Jennifer Biggs, at vpcommittee.lbespta@gmail.com.

- Intro to STEM using Lego (K-5) - Tuesdays (3/24-5/19)
- Music Ensemble (K-5) - Tuesdays (3/24-5/19)
- Code Minecraft Mods (3-5) - Wednesdays (3/25-5/20)
- Pin it for Fun (K-5) - Thursdays (3/26-5/21)
- Experimentamania - Mad Science (K-5) - Thursdays (3/26-5/21)

RESOURCE FOR FAMILIES

Consider visiting <https://www.infomontgomery.org/> to access important information about things happening in Montgomery County to support your family! Some of the highlighted topics include:

- Children with Intensive needs
- Early Care and Education
- Homelessness Support
- Mental Health and Substance Abuse
- Immigrants and Community Newcomers
- Older Adults
- Living with Serious Health Conditions
- Persons with Disabilities
- Workforce Development
- Healthy Living
- Substance Abuse Prevention in Youth

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The PTA still has several volunteer spots open for the upcoming Variety Show, as well as several other events over the next few months. If you are able to spare a few hours to help out, the PTA would really appreciate it! Your time will go a long way to making these events successful.

Variety Show: Adult and student volunteers needed for the dress rehearsal (March 12, 6:00-8:30 pm) and the performance night (March 13, 6:30-8:30 pm). Sign up online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040949A9AE22A1F85-2020>.

Book Fair: Adult and student volunteers needed to make decorations over the next month. Volunteers also needed to help students shop throughout the fair week (March 27-April 2). Email Event Chair Jenell White (jkerrickwhite@gmail.com) if interested.

Science Expo: Adult and student volunteers needed to help run the event (April 1, 6-8 pm). Email Event Chair Ranjita Shrestha (kamranju54@hotmail.com) if interested.

DATES TO REMEMBER

THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2020

Tuesday, March 10

4th Grade Field Trip to the Recycling Center (Menendez, Hamrick, & Askew)

Thursday, March 12

Variety Show Rehearsal

Friday, March 13

Variety Show

Wednesday, March 18

Hearing/Vision Screening for students in Kindergarten & Grade 1

Thursday, March 19

Hearing/Vision Screening for students in Kindergarten & Grade 1

Monday, March 23

Hearing/Vision Screening for students in Kindergarten & Grade 1

Monday, March 23 – Tuesday, March 24

Fifth Grade Maryland Integrated Science Assessment (MISA)

Friday, March 27

Early Dismissal - students dismissed at 12:55 p.m.

Friday, March 27

3rd Marking Period ends

Monday, March 30

4th Marking Period begins

Tuesday, March 31

Spring Portraits

Wednesday, April 1

Eagle's Nest Store Open - Parent Volunteers Needed

Wednesday, April 1

PTA Meeting/Science Fair

Monday, April 6

No School for Students and Teachers (possible make-up day)

Tuesday, April 7

No School for Students and Teachers (possible make-up day)

Wednesday, April 8

No School for Students and Teachers (possible make-up day)

Thursday, April 9 – Monday, April 13

Spring Break Holiday No School for Student and Teachers

Wednesday, April 15

Report Card Distribution

Thursday, April 16 – Friday, April 17

Kindergarten Orientation (no school for kindergarten students)

Monday, April 20

Hearing and Vision rescreening

Tuesday, April 21

Kindergarten Field Trip Brookside Gardens

Thursday, April 23

Take Your Child to Work Day

Tuesday, April 28

No School for Students and Teachers

Thursday, April 30

5th Grade Panoramic Picture

Friday, May 1 – Friday, May 8

MCAP Testing Grade 3,4, & 5

Friday, June 5

3rd Grade In-house Program Bay Fossil

Note: Dates that are added each week will be printed in bold

