



Bear Necessities

Principal's Message

Welcome Back after a very long, extended Winter Break. The entire Bridgepoint staff wishes your family a very happy and prosperous 2014.

We begin Quarter 3 with a focus on preparing for the annual state assessments. Our chant is...

SHOW THE REST OUR VERY BEST

along with a countdown. I am very proud of the progress we have made and the work the students are doing each day. Thank you for the support you give your children and our teachers/staff! Together, we make a great team! We will be ready to

SHOW THE REST OUR VERY BEST!

We are excited about the beginning of our boys' basketball season and will have a Spirit Club to cheer our Bears on to victory. Permission slips will be sent home to grades 3-5 students. We hope everyone will come out to support our Bridgepoint Bears.

Sincerely,

Mrs. O'Brien

Box Tops for Education

Classes that have brought in over 1,000 box tops this school year:

In 5th place is Mrs. Ferree's 4th grade class with 1,045 box tops. In 4th place is Mrs. Staples' Kdg. Class with 1,505 box tops. In 3rd place is Ms. Wheatley's 1st grade class with 1,583 box tops. In 2nd place Mrs. Moore's

2nd grade class with 1,589 box tops. In 1st place Ms. Hinton's 1st grade class with 1,589 box tops!!! What a close race for 2nd and 3rd place. Students please continue to bring in box tops. The top 3 classes will win an ice cream party at the end of the school year. Please continue to save Box Tops

for Education. They really help out our art program here at Bridgepoint. Each box top is worth 10 cents and students get to pick a prize out of Mrs. G's treasure box if they bring in box tops. Please trim each box top to help out our art teacher. Thank you for all your support!

Mrs. Gruninger

Character Trait for the month of January is:

RESPONSIBILITY

Responsibility is "doing the right thing even when no one is watching". Parents when you see your child being trustworthy in your home point it out and praise your child so that it is sure to be repeated. We will be giving out bear paws this month to students showing trustworthiness the whole month of January. Thank you.

Greater Clark County Schools

Jennifer O'Brien, Principal

January 2014

January Calendar

1/6:

Quarter 3 Begins and Report Cards Sent Home

1/10:

Pennies for Patients Kick-Off

1/20:

No School
MLK Day

1/22:

HOME Boys Basketball Game vs. Northaven—4:30pm

1/23:

Shakespeare Performances

9:30am (3rd-5th)/ 12:45pm (1st-2nd)

1/27-1/31

GCCS Bridging Week (Formerly known as Premier Week)

1/27

Boys Basketball Game @ Thomas Jefferson - 4:30pm

1/29

Boys Basketball Game @ Maple - 4:30 pm

1/31

5th Grade to Parkview

Attention Parents: Title 1 Focus-Targeted Schools

In accordance with Indiana's approved Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) Flexibility Wavier, each school and school district must demonstrate adequate annual progress within three areas: Annual State Assessment Proficiency (ISTEP+ and ECA) Goals, Annual College and Career Readiness (CCR) Rate Goals, and Annual Graduation Rate Goals. Title I schools that do not meet expectations for particular subgroups within the three areas will be identified as Focus-Targeted schools. Focus-Targeted schools have earned an A, B, or C, but have not met Annual Measurable Objective (AMO) proficiency goals for 2011-2012 in the tradi-

tional ESEA subgroups (i.e., Ethnicity, Special Education, Limited English Proficiency, and Free/Reduced Lunch).

As a Title I school, we have been identified as a Focus-Targeted school based upon 2011-12 data. A recent federal audit of Indiana schools' data revealed the requirements for notification of Focus-Targeted schools had not been met. In order to comply with this federal audit, schools must



now address this expectation.

Even though parents are just now receiving this notice, we want to assure our parents that we began addressing 2011-12 AMO proficiency goal deficiencies during the 2012-13 school year in our school improvement plan. Efforts to address the needs of all students have continued this school year and are documented in our 2013-14

school improvement plan that can be found on our website.

Pennies for Patients Campaign

Our Pennies for Patients Campaign begins Friday, January 10th. The campaign will run for three weeks and will end January 31st. Pennies for Patients raises money for The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (LLS). LLS is the world's largest voluntary health organization dedicated to funding blood cancer research and providing education and patient services. They exist to find cures and improve the quality of life, patients, and their families. Each student will receive a letter and a collection box.

Send in your pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters and dollars (we also accept checks). Every penny counts. The class that raises the most money will get a pizza party!

Thank you, Mrs. Albert



2014 Bridgepoint Cheerleaders

Congratulations to our 2014

Cheerleaders!

Aubree Anderson	Lily Morris
Ahmya Baker	Shelby Rapp
Kelsey Fox	Alexis Smith
Hannah Hackworth	Amber Stofel
Mareena Helton	Gabby Taylor
Daisia Hinshaw	Adrianna Thomas
Tiara Jones	Makiah Thornton

We would like to thank our coaches, Ms. Wheatley and Ms. Blanton, for their dedication to coaching our girls this year. We would like to wish our cheerleaders the very best this season!

Artists of the Week

Congratulations to these fine young artists of the week!

Mareena Helton and Elijah Johnson!

Thanks,
Mrs. Gruninger

2014 Bridgepoint Basketball Team

Darian Blair	Jonathan Boggs
Lucas Mejia	Jhordan Burleson
Vaughnaz Baynes	Aiden Farrell
Nicholas Regan	Elijah Johnson
Elijah Regan	Jerrell Baker
Jeroy Ellis	Managers:
Matt Munoz	Connoer Voelker
Will Lovings-Watts	Jalean Garten

We are thankful to our dedicated coaches Mrs. Cooley and Mrs. Ferree for coaching our students, they do a great job. We wish our boys basketball team the best this year. Congratulations boys! Please come cheer us on to victory.

