### Library News
**Mrs. Amrhine** aamrhine@bcps.org

**Kindergarten & 1st grade:** We will be getting to know authors and practicing strategies to select books that are “just right” at the Book Fair!

**2nd-5th Grade:** We have completed our units on Digital Citizenship and have successfully learned to interact as safe, respectful and responsible digital citizens when using technology. We will be exploring book talks and book trailers in order to prepare for the Book Fair. This will help students to appreciate an array of genres and authors before visiting the fair.

*All students will participate in the Book Fair to learn about new and popular books. This is a wonderful opportunity to help build home libraries. The fair will take place during our library time Monday, November 15th through Friday, November 19th. During the week, students will be assigned a time to shop. A schedule of shopping days will be sent home with a flyer. This year we are happy to share that we will participate in the eWallet option that Scholastic offers.*

The *Scholastic Book Fair eWallet* digital payment option makes Book Fair transactions easy, cashless, and contactless. Parents, grandparents, family, and friends can contribute to a child’s fund. Accounts are easy to set up and can be done directly from your school’s homepage.


It’s easy to create an eWallet for your student. Simply add funds or invite family and friends to contribute. Then, shop in-person at the Book Fair or online through the Virtual Book Fair where you’ll discover over 5,000 products including Book Fair exclusives, new releases, and value packs.

---

### Art News
**Mrs. Buttrum** abuttrum@bcps.org

We continue to work hard in the art room and let our creative juices flow by using our knowledge of the elements of art and principles of design to create meaningful artwork!

During the month of November students will begin creating their annual “Down By The Bay” holiday ornaments with recycled materials. Students will discuss the importance of conservation and explore how recyclable materials can still be useful in many ways.

We will be accepting donations of the following materials: Small plastic fruit cups, Pine cones & Sea Shells.

The ornaments will be hung up the week after Thanksgiving break and brought home the week before Winter break begins. They will be displayed on our school tree for all to see in our front lobby.

**CONGRATULATIONS!!** The following student’s artwork was selected to be part of the Superintendent’s virtual gallery exhibit!

- Alaina McLucas
- Nolan Borst
- Ryan Foard
- Cora Koluch

This exhibition space is in the heart of BCPS’s administration building and is viewed daily by central office administration. The artwork will continue to fill the space with excellent examples of why art is so important to our students and their education. We are so proud to feature artwork from these CTES students!
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Mr. Jones <a href="mailto:tjones4@bcps.org">tjones4@bcps.org</a></td>
<td>Ms. Michael <a href="mailto:amichael2@bcps.org">amichael2@bcps.org</a></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Our Table Tennis unit is well under way!** 3rd-5th will build up to playing games while keeping score. K-2 will continue basic concepts of volleying and playing your side in table games. After wrapping up Table Tennis in late November we will move on to ball skills. Primary students will work on the basic skills of hand dribbling and throwing and catching, while Intermediate grades will use advanced ball skills to participate in Basketball.

Our 4th and 5th grades completed their Punt, Pass, Kick unit and the winners of our PPK competition will be announced in the December newsletter. Stay tuned! The top 3 girls and top 3 boys for each grade will receive an award.

Our PAW PRIDE PLEDGE covers our whole school, including PE! Respecting equipment is a great example of how the pledge can reflect positive choices during PE class. Remind your students that taking care of PE equipment benefits everyone as it keeps us with working materials and provides plenty for everyone to use. That means more turns, more practice, and improved skills!

Teamwork makes the dream work!

Kindergarten: Students continue to learn the names of and play classroom instruments to the steady beat. We are currently singing songs about autumn.

1st: During the month of November students will begin using symbols to represent written sounds in music!

2nd/3rd: We will begin listening to selections of instrumental music in class and discussing mood - the feeling a piece of music gives the listener. Mood is often expressed through dynamics and tempo. We will review musical terms and begin using them in our weekly lessons.

4th/5th: Students have been working with ostinatos -short rhythm patterns that repeat. In November they will continue to layer ostinatos and sing songs with instrumentation.

Reminder: HEADPHONES were listed on students’ class lists at the beginning of the year. We have been using a flipped classroom approach in grades 3-5 in music this year. Students in these grades need headphones for music class, as well as other subjects. If your child has not brought headphones to school, please send them in with a pair ASAP!

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Instrumental Music News</th>
<th>Ms. Gingrich dg <a href="mailto:Gingrich@bcps.org">Gingrich@bcps.org</a></th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>

4th grade Exploratory: We will finish learning about the woodwind family on November 5 at the end of the first quarter. During the 2nd quarter we will learn about string family.

5th Grade C&CRS: We will be using this time to practice our instruments in a large group setting. If we can practice in a large group setting students will not miss much class time for lessons. To practice together some students may need to change which day they have physical education. All parents will be notified if their student is changing physical education days.

5th Grade Instrumental: All students will be working on producing sounds on the instrument of their choice. Students should be practicing 3-4 times a week about 10 minutes at a time, practicing whole notes, half notes, and quarter notes and rests.