

A Busy Month of May is HERE!

Important Dates

1 Hour Early Dismissal

Wednesday, May 3rd @2:35 p.m.

Wednesday, May 10th @2:35 p.m.

Wednesday, May 17th @2:35 p.m.

Wednesday, May 24th @2:35 p.m.

No School-Memorial Day

Monday, May 29th

Beaver Creek Field Day

Friday, May 19th

THINK PINK!

Wednesday, May 24th

5th Grade Celebration

Tuesday, May 16th

All School BBQ

Monday, May 22nd

5th Grade Celebration

Tuesday, May 16th

5th Grade Code 411 Graduation

Wednesday, May 24th at 1:30 p.m.

Last Day of School

Friday, June 2nd @ 3:35 p.m.

(regular hours)



BC Phone Numbers

BC Office 278-6228

BC Fax 278-1049

BC KTC 278-6668

BC Nurse 278-6016

Transportation 278-8149

Nutrition 278-0278

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The busy month of May is here, and the school year is winding down. There is a flurry of activity to get everything done before the close of the school year. Our staff and students are working to complete their grade level curriculum by Friday, June 2nd.

There are several special events and field trips this month. Two of our traditional year-end events will take place this month. Field Day is on Friday, May 19. Kindergarten through second grade students will have their field day in the afternoon and third through fifth grade students will have their field day in the morning.

The Beaver Creek BBQ is scheduled for Monday, May 22. Families are invited to attend the BBQ and look for the time schedule in this month's JET. The last day of school is Friday, June 2, and this will be a full day of school.

Enjoy the month of May and have a great summer. Encourage your children to read, write and review their math facts over the summer. Most importantly, take the opportunity to have fun with your children, and seize the learning opportunities that come from vacations and days at home.

Have a great summer!

Eric Toot, Principal

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TRANSITION

Field Day is Coming! Friday, May 19th

Field day is an all school event, which will give us an opportunity to celebrate our abilities and to test our physical skills. Please have students wear "play" clothes this day so they are comfortable and can participate in running and movement activities.

There will also be a couple of water activities so K-2 students may want to bring another set of clothes to school on this day. **We will need many parents to volunteer to run stations and assist in the events. On May 19th, AM volunteers will meet in the gym at 8:45, PM volunteers will meet in the gym at 12:15.**

NEW THIS YEAR: Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd grade students will have a PM Field Day. The 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students will have an AM Field Day.

Thank you for the support!

Mr. Quam and Mr. Posegate

BC Personnel Changes

As of now, we are planning on having twenty-five grade level classrooms. There will be four sections of every grade level, except fourth grade, where we will have five sections.

At the time this was written, there is one staff change to announce. Kate McCombs will be leaving Beaver Creek to take a job in Van Meter, Iowa where she lives and her daughter Lily will start as a Kindergartener in the Fall. We wish Kate all the best in this move. She has done an outstanding job as both a teacher in the classroom, and serving as a lead teacher for the entire school.

Libby Elmitt will stay as a third grade teacher, completing the four sections of third grade.

With five sections of fourth grade next year, this opens up a vacancy for a Fourth Grade teacher at Beaver Creek.

It's Not Too Late! Order a 2017/2018 Supply Kit for Grades KDG thru 5th

As a service to our families, supply kits which include all of the items on the teacher supply list, are available for purchase for \$40.00 for grades Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd, and \$45.00 for grades 3rd, 4th and 5th. Kits will be delivered to your child's classroom in time for Meet-the Teacher on August 22nd.

All orders must be received by Friday, June 23rd. Please contact Joan Sparland in the BC office if you need an order form set home with your student.

It's BC BBQ Time!

Please Join Us For

The Annual Beaver Creek End-of-Year Cook-Out on Monday, May 22, 2017

Save Time! Please **PRE-ORDER** your lunches by purchasing lunch tickets for your family. Pre-paid tickets will be ready for pick up **the day of the BBQ at school**. You will redeem your tickets for lunch when you go through the line to pick up your meal. You will move thru the line much faster with a prepaid ticket!

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

SEE BBQ LUNCH SCHEDULE BELOW

Kindergarten: 11:30 a.m. BBQ and recess following until 12:15 p.m.

1st grade: 11:05 a.m. BBQ and recess following until 11:50 a.m.

2nd grade: 10:40 a.m. BBQ and recess following until 11:25 a.m.

3rd grade: 11:55 a.m. BBQ and recess following until 12:40 p.m.

4th grade: 12:20 a.m. BBQ and recess following until 1:05 p.m.

5th grade: 12:45 p.m. BBQ and recess following until 1:30 p.m.



Looking Toward August

New Family Orientation

Tuesday, August 22nd 2:30 - 3:00 p.m.

Meet the Teacher

Tuesday, August 22nd 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

First Day of School!

Thursday, August 24th 8:40 - 3:35 p.m.

Our LAST day is a FULL day

The last day of school is Friday, June 2nd. Different than in years past, it is scheduled as a full day of school with no early dismissal. The school day will run regular hours, 8:40 a.m. - 3:35 p.m. on that day.

P B I S at the BC

This has been an amazing year at Beaver Creek with our Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS) initiative. We have spent the year teaching, modeling and reinforcing the

BC3 with the students and

staff. **BC3** stands for Respect, Responsibility and Safety throughout the learning environment. Research shows that acknowledging positive behaviors through common expectations enhances the learning environment socially, emotionally and academically. We are so proud of the students at Beaver Creek for modeling the

BC3 daily! Students are

acknowledged with a **BC3** award after having their name announced during the morning announcements. We thank the families of Beaver Creek for your constant encouragement and support with your student(s) to create this positive learning experience.



Teacher Assignment Letters

Classroom assignment letters will be mailed to families on **Friday, August 11th**. All Johnston elementary schools will be using the same date to notify families. We wait until later in the summer so we can have an accurate enrollment count before releasing the class lists. Due to the late release date, changes will not be made to class assignments after they are mailed.

Also included in your back-to-school mailing will be information about the all school t-shirt, snack and birthday policy and grade level specific information where applicable.

Electronics Guidelines

There is a growing number of students bringing phones to school, wearing smart watches and wearing activity trackers to school. As stated in our parent student handbook (<http://www.johnstoncsd.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/11/Elem-handbook-Addendum.pdf>) on page 6, "G. *Personal Items Video games, toys, baseball cards, radios, headphones, cell phones, iPods/MP3 players and other personal items are not appropriate in school as they frequently interrupt the learning environment. Personal property should be left at home unless specifically requested by the classroom teacher. The school is not responsible for personal items.*"

Please do not allow your child to bring a phone from home or wear a smart watch, as these are a distraction in the classroom and on the school buses. If your child needs a phone for before or after school, it needs to stay in your child's backpack and must be turned off during the school day, including on the school bus. You also need to inform your child's teacher of his/her need to have a phone with them at school. Beaver Creek Elementary and the Johnston Community Schools will not assume any responsibility for lost, stolen or broken phones, smart watches and fitness trackers. Thank you for your cooperation.

ANNOUNCING JUMP START to KINDERGARTEN!

We are excited to announce that we will be hosting "Jump Start to Kindergarten" August 9th and 10th from **9:00-11:00 a.m.**, for all prospective Beaver Creek 2017-2018 Kindergarten students!

All students are asked to attend both days. During these days, students will get a chance to work with our Kindergarten staff, learn about classroom and school wide expectations, practice lunch room procedures, tour the school and be shown locations for related arts classes such as music, art and PE; review recess procedures, and more. At the end of the second day session, we will have a brief meeting facilitated by our principal, Mr. Toot, for all parents.

if you have friends or neighbors who have a prospective 17-18 Kindergartener, who are not currently a Beaver Creek family, and would not otherwise get this email, please forward this email to them so that they are aware.

I am asking that families **RSVP to confirm** their 17-18 Kindergarten student will be able to attend on August 9th and August 10th by simply emailing me back at jparland@johnston.k12.ia.us.

More information about "Jump Start to Kindergarten" will be sent to our prospective Kindergarten families over the summer. If you have any questions, please contact me at the Beaver Creek office, 278-6228, or via return email at jparland@johnston.k12.ia.us.