

South School Scoop

We are growing our brains at South! Our little panthers are so excited about working hard on growing their "read to self" stamina and working on their academic and behavior goals. Ask your child to talk to you about one of his/her goals!

We continue our focus as a Growth Mindset school. We believe that effort and perseverance leads to academic achievement and that ALL children can learn and grow their brains!



It has been a busy fall, as usual! Our students have participated in Homecoming, Panther Dash, Constitution Day, Walk-to-School Day (picture at left), Donuts for Dads, the "Mousetrap Machine" assembly, Halloween Parade (pictures below), and the Veteran's Day Lunch.

Upcoming Dates for South School students:

December 2 Elementary School Choirs walk in the Hometown Christmas Parade
December 5 PTO Meeting (5:30 pm at North Elementary)
December 7 Spirit Day (Student Council sells items ranging from 25 cents to \$2)
December 12 Early Release (Students are released at 1:20 pm)
December 17-20 PTO Santa Shop at South
December 18 Elementary Choir Concert at HS Auditorium (6:30 pm)
December 21 Holiday Break begins at the end of the school day

January 7 Return to school from the holiday break
January 9 PTO Meeting (5:30 pm at North Elementary)
January 10 Berrien County Playgroup at 9:30 am at South (all area preschoolers and their parent(s) are invited to attend!)
January 11 Spirit Day (Student Council sells items ranging from 25 cents to \$2)
January 16-18 Half Days of School (Students are released at 11:35 am)
January 21 MLK Day~Early Release from School (Students are released at 1:20 pm)
January 26 PTO Movie Night at South at 5:15 pm

February 1 Spirit Day (Student Council sells items ranging from 25 cents to \$2)
February 6 PTO Meeting (5:30 pm at South Elementary)
February 14 Berrien County Playgroup at 9:30 am at South (all area preschoolers and their parent(s) are invited to attend!)
February 15 Half Day of School ~ Valentine's Day classroom activities (students are released at 11:35 am)
February 23 PTO Movie Night at South at 5:15 pm

March 1 Spirit Day (Student Council sells items ranging from 25 cents to \$2)
March 6 PTO Meeting (5:30 pm at South Elementary)
March 13 Early Release (students are released at 1:20 pm)
March 14 Berrien County Playgroup at 9:30 am at South (all area preschoolers and their parent(s) are invited to attend!)
March 16 PTO Movie Night at South at 5:15 pm
March 21 Kindergarten Round Up
March 22 Half Day of School (students are released at 11:35 am)
March 26 Spring Choir Concert at the HS Auditorium at 6:30 pm
March 29 Half Day of School (students are released at 11:35 am)

April 1-5 Spring Break!



South School Scoop (continued)

With the cold weather upon us already, please remember to send your child with the appropriate cold weather gear! We will have outdoor recess as long as the outside temp (with wind chill) is above 15 degrees. Please remember to write your child's name in all of their outerwear (and sweatshirts and hoodies too!).

In January we will launch our school-wide Positive Behavior Intervention Program. More information about this to come!

Hope you all have a safe and cozy holiday season. As always, thank you for sharing your little panther with us!



Mousetrap Machine Assembly

Carole Fetke
Principal, South Elementary

Donuts for Dads was a success!
We served lots of donuts and
captured lots of smiles!



Kindergarten/ Preschool Round-Up

South Elementary School will be hosting Kindergarten / Preschool Round-Up on Thursday, March 21, from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. in the South School Gym. Please share this information with anyone you know with a child who will be:

- * 5 by September 1, 2019 (for kindergarten)
- * 4 by September 1, 2019 (for preschool)

Parent(s) / Guardian(s) will need to bring the following items to Round-Up:

- * Lease/deed and one other item with proof of residency (utility bill, license, etc.)
- * Child's Birth Certificate
- * Child's Immunization Record
- * Child's Proof of Vision & Hearing Testing



The Berrien County Health Department will provide Vision / Hearing testing from 4:00 to 6:00 pm on this date.