



PRINCIPALLY SPEAKING

Greetings Butcher-Greene Families,

It's hard to believe the first quarter of the school year is almost over. October 12th ends our first quarter. Thank you so much for your continued support. It means so much to us. Our open house on August 30th was a big success. It was great to see so many of our parents. Also thank you for coming out and supporting our Back to School Dance Jam. It was a huge success! We really appreciate your presence.

Early release is Wednesday, October 10th. Students will be dismissed at 1:05 pm. We will have Kelly Services providing afterschool care on early release days from 1:00-3:00 pm. Parents please be prepared to show your ID if you pick your child up between 1:00 and 3:00 pm.

Parent/Teacher Conferences are an excellent opportunity for you to discuss the academic progress of your child. You will have two opportunities to attend the conferences, October 16th 4:30-7:30 and then on October 18th 1:30-7:30 pm. Also, the 18th is an early release day. School will be dismissed at 1:05 pm. NO school Friday, October 19th. We are looking forward to seeing all of our Butcher-Greene parents at parent-teacher conference.

New LINC Coordinator

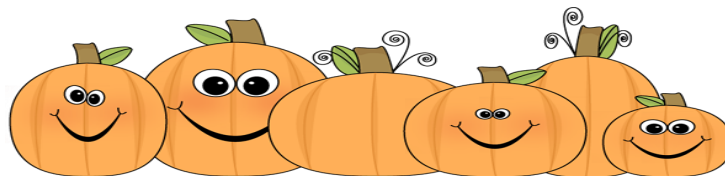
Congratulations to Mrs. Marlisa Collins in her new LINC position. Mrs. Collins was a valued coordinator for our LINC program. We wish her the very best and she will be greatly missed. We say welcome to our new LINC coordinator, Mr. Grant Wayman. Mr. Wayman comes to us with a wealth of experiences. We know he will provide excellent leadership to our school/LINC community. Also, LINC will host their Trunk-or-Treat on Thursday, October 25th. Parents are welcome to be a part of this event by decorating the trunk of the car/truck and providing wrapped goodies to our students. Please look for more details coming soon.

Birthday celebrations are allowed on the last Friday of the month. Please contact the school office prior to your visit. We have a number of students with food allergies, therefore we have to be very careful with certain foods. Birthday balloons are not allowed in the classroom. If your child is having a birthday party outside of school, and you want give out invitations, we ask that you invite ALL of the students in your child's class.

Regular attendance is necessary for students to develop self-discipline, responsibility and work habits that will affect their academic success. Students who have regular attendance generally have higher grades. Frequent tardiness and/or early check-out disrupt the continuity of the instructional process and hinder your child's classroom instruction. Research has proven that there is a high correlation between school attendance and academic performance and success, while absence from school is often the greatest single cause of poor performance and achievement.

Academically yours,

Dr. E. Judon





COUNSELING CORNER

Happy Fall Butcher-Greene families! Thank you to everyone who came to our Back to School Dance Jam. It was a blast! We have a lot of exciting things happening in the month of October here at Butcher-Greene. We hope that you can come to Parent Teacher Conferences. This is a great time to build a relationship with your child's teacher and find out what wonderful things your child is doing at school. Please check with your child's teacher for available times if you have not set up an appointment yet.

October 16th from 4:30-7:00 PM

October 18th from 1:30-7:00 PM



Pennies for Patients Fundraiser-Help us raise money for The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society to help children who are battling cancer, Monday, October 22nd through Friday, October 26th. The classroom who brings in the most pennies will win a pizza party.

Mrs. Laura McCoy ~ School Counselor

1st GRADE NEWS

First grade has been busy learning many new things. We spent the beginning of the year reviewing rules and expectations of first grade. This has helped us create a positive, safe learning environment for all students. We have been working on addition and are getting ready to start subtraction. Feel free to give your student real world examples at home! In reading we are learning about the short vowels and different story elements. Have your child tell you the problem, solution, characters, and the setting of books you read together. Please keep an eye out for information regarding conferences coming up in the next couple of weeks. We are excited to share your child's progress with you!

1st Grade Teachers

Ms. Ford

Ms. Morris

Mrs. Harris



THE OFFICE



The Great Pumpkin Decorating Contest will begin on **Monday, Oct. 15th through Wednesday, Oct. 31st**. If you would like your child to participate in this fun event, purchase a pumpkin from your local grocery store or pumpkin patch, decorate it at home and bring in during the contest time frame. Pumpkins will be judged from three categories, **scary** (No violent or gory pumpkins will be accepted). Appropriate non-violent examples might be Frankenstein or a Witch), **cute**, and most **creative**. Students, staff, parents, visitors, anyone can vote and as many times as they like. Each vote will cost \$1.00. All proceeds will benefit student activities and support PTA. The pumpkins with the most votes (money) in each category will be our winners. Please remember, due to the amount of time the pumpkins are on display, **carved or hollowed out pumpkins are not allowed and will be disqualified**. We reserve the right to dispose of any pumpkins that start to rot during the contest time period.



Creative!



Scary!



Cute!



Fall parties will be **Wednesday, Oct. 31st**

Your child's teacher will be sending out party information soon. Costumes will be allowed for all grades levels. Costumes must be appropriate for school. **Costumes will be put on at the time of the party and the child must be able to put the costume on without help. NO scary costumes, scary masks, or fake/toy weapons. NO face paint/makeup will be allowed.**



Picture **retakes** will be on **Wednesday, November 7th**, starting at 9:15 for new students, absentees and for anyone that needs to retake their picture. Please be sure to be here as this will be the last opportunity to be in the 2018-19 yearbook.

