



BLACKIE BARK

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PRINCIPALS MESSAGE:

DEAR BLACKIE FAMILIES,

HERE WE ARE, STARTING OUR THIRD MONTH OF SCHOOL ALREADY! OCTOBER WAS FILLED WITH GRATITUDE AND CELEBRATION WITH THANKSGIVING AND HALLOWEEN. I WANT TO GIVE A HUGE SHOUT OUT TO OUR GRADE 5/6 AND 7/8 CLASSES FOR ORGANIZING CARNIVALS AND A HAUNTED HOUSE FOR OUR YOUNGER STUDENTS. MUCH JOY WAS FELT EVERYWHERE. WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO MEETING WITH ALL OF YOU THIS COMING WEEK DURING PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS ON WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY EVENINGS. IF YOU HAVE NOT DONE SO, PLEASE SEE THE EMAILS FROM THE SCHOOL WITH THE LINK TO SIGN UP. WE HAVE BEGUN THE WORK OF SETTING SCHOOL WIDE EXPECTATIONS AND ESTABLISHING A STRONGER SENSE OF WHO WE ARE AS BULLDOGS WITH ALL STAFF AND STUDENTS. OUR MOTO IS "BULLDOGS BELIEVE, BELONG & BECOME" - THIS GIVES US ALL A COMMON LANGUAGE TO SPEAK FROM WHEN WE ARE CELEBRATING AND PROBLEM SOLVING. ON THE NEXT PAGE YOU WILL SEE MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THIS.

SOME HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE PAST MONTH

- EXPRESSIONS OF GRATITUDE
- FANCY FEATHER AND WOMEN'S JINGLE DANCER PRESENTATION
- OUR FIRST LOCKDOWN PRACTICE WENT VERY WELL
- HALLOWEEN CELEBRATIONS, CARNIVAL AND HAUNTED HOUSE

SOME REMINDERS

- IT IS COLD AND FLU SEASON! PLEASE ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILDREN TO WASH THEIR HANDS WELL, AND OFTEN! THANK YOU FOR KEEPING YOUR KIDS HOME WHEN THEY ARE SICK
- PLEASE CALL OUR MS. WIGHT AT THE OFFICE TO REPORT ANY ABSENCES
- PLEASE CHECK YOUR EMAILS FOR YOUR EDSEMBLI LOGIN INFORMATION - THIS IS WHERE YOU WILL SEE YOUR SCHOOL FEES AND YOUR CHILD'S PROGRESS UPDATES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR
- YOU ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US FOR OUR REMEMBRANCE DAY ASSEMBLY ON NOV. 10
- NOVEMBER 11-19 IS OUR FALL BREAK. I WISH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY A RESTFUL WEEK.

IT TRULY IS MY JOY AND PLEASURE TO BE YOUR PRINCIPAL,
YOURS IN LEARNING

FAYE HOLT

Believe

Belong

Become

Bulldogs

- **Believe in themselves and others**
- **Belong together**
- **Become the best versions of themselves!**



Expectations Matrix Student Voice Collection

Believe, Belong, Become

	Looks Like	Sounds Like	Feels Like
Classroom	Students working Trying our best Calm People helping Hands to self Listening Paying attention organized	Quiet Inside voices Books pages turning Whispers Pencils running along paper Chromebooks - typing	Fun, nice Pencils in hands Happy Calm Excited Safe Proud Focused - a place we can get work done Respectful Kind

Please ask your child about the above. You will see the expectations matrix in the school and in all classrooms going forward.

Let's help the food
bank and fill Blackie
School's
Bountiful Boxes



Please dropoff your items to the
school from Nov 6-10



The Salvation Army Foothills Food Bank Top Needs List:

- Sugar
- Oil
- Flour / Corn starch / Baking soda / Baking Mix
- Pancake Mix / Syrup
- Ketchup / Mayonnaise
- Pasta Sauce
- Canned meats (chicken, Ham, Turkey, Corned beef etc)
- Hamburger Helper
- Stove top
- Rice
- Instant Potato Mix
- School/Kids snacks (granola bars/pudding/juice boxes/applesauce cups etc)
- Canned fruit (Peaches, Fruit cocktail, pear, pineapple etc.)
- Coffee / hot chocolate / tea
- Shampoo and Conditioner
- Body wash / bar soap
- Deodorant
- Adult toothbrush
- Tampons
- Laundry Soap / Fabric Softener
- Dish Soap
- Bleach
- Toilet paper / Paper towel / Kleenex

These are a few of our current needs; however, all donations are accepted!



News/Updates from Parent Council and Parents Advisory & Funding Association

Did you know we have two different Parent groups you can be part of at school? Our Blackie Parent Council meets one evening a month to discuss things happening around the school and receive updates from Mrs. Holt and John Evans (our School Trustee). Our Parent Advisory & Funding Association meets once a month to discuss fundraising and plans ways to spend our school funds to enhance learning for all students.

Hot Lunch

- We are thrilled to be able to offer the Hot Lunch program again this year on Thursdays! This month, students have enjoyed pizza, hotdogs, burgers and grilled cheese sandwiches!. Click [here](#) to setup an account and place your order. Any questions, please contact blackieschoollunch@gmail.com
- **VOLUNTEERS** - If you're interested in helping out with our Hot Lunch, please call/text Amy Jamison at 403-603-8567. We need drivers to pick up orders, and willing hands in the kitchen. If you're working in the school, the school requires a current Criminal Record Check and Volunteer Forms. Please contact the office if you need a volunteer package.

Nov 21 – Parent Council Meeting at 6:30pm. Please join us for information about the happenings in and around the school. Everyone is welcome to attend, and babysitting is provided on site. Please email or call Ms. Wight for a babysitting spot.

Nov 7th – Parent Funding Meeting at 9am at the school. Everyone is invited

CoCo Brooks Fundraiser

Back by request we will be hosting another Coco Brooks Fundraiser and would love your participation as we hope to hit our yearly fundraising requirements.

This fundraiser will run from Thursday, October 26th - Thursday, November 9th.

*Pick up is on Thursday, November 23rd between 1:00pm-3:00pm at Blackie school
To participate please go to the link below and enter this invitation code: **vends-genoa**
<https://fundraising.cocobrooks.com/>

If you have any questions, please contact Yvonne with the Funding Committee at yvon.354@hotmail.com or 403-461-7666.

Texas Donut Day

get 'yer "big as Texas" donuts at Blackie School

November 24th

3 Kinds Available:

- Glazed
- Chocolate Dip
- Sprinkle



Order forms will be sent home with students.

Please order and provide payment to the school office before **November 10th**.



Thank you for supporting Blackie School's most delicious fundraiser of the year!

Blackie School Christmas Cash Raffle

This will be our biggest fundraiser of the year and we need your help!



Tickets will be \$10 each with the following cash prizes up for grabs:

1st prize - \$500 cash

2nd prize - \$200 cash

3rd prize - \$100 cash

Booklets of 10 tickets are available for sign out. Please let the office know ASAP how many books you will take, and they will be signed out and given to you.

All ticket stubs and cash from sales can be returned to the office **by December 15th** and the draw will be made at our school Christmas Concert **December 21, 2023**.

Thanks in advance for your help & support,

The Blackie Parent Advisory & Funding Association