



The Blake Buzz

Principal's Perspective

Dear Blake families,

Happy Fall! We have certainly started this year off on a high note! Students have been very busy working together in classrooms, practicing Habit #6 and synergizing for success! They have also practiced our new PBIS expectations and our sunshine box is full of reward cards from students who are modeling great behavior and kindness toward others. In fact, the box became so full, we had to replace it with a full-size mailbox! The next time you visit the office be sure to take a look at our new Sunshine mailbox! I am so proud of how hard our students are working and all of the success they are already showing. And it's just the beginning!

Thank you for all of your support at home! As we are learning through our practice of habit 6 this year, it certainly is true that Teamwork Makes the Dream Work!

Holiday Open House

Our Holiday Open House will be Thursday, December 14th from 6-8PM. Santa Claus will again be here for pictures on the stage, so bring your camera! Kindergarten and 1st grade will perform holiday songs in the gym, and there may also be a special performance from Blake's guitar club! We will be asking for donations of baked goods as well to raise money for Feeding Medina County, the organization which provides Weekender bags of food for needy families through Medina County. Please save the date!



Important Dates:

- 11/2—Picture retakes
- 11/6—No School and P/T Conferences
- 11/10—Veterans Day assembly 2:00PM
- 11/10—End 1st Trimester
- 11/14-11/16—Donuts with Dads
- 11/16—4th Grade Musical
- 11/17—Report Cards come home
- 11/21—Early Release
- 11/22-11/24—Thanksgiving Break
- 11/29—Family Math Night 6-8:30PM
- 12/5-12/8—Santa's Secret Shoppe
- 12/14—Holiday Open House 6-8PM
- 12/20—Early Release and Christmas parties

Christmas Parties and Holiday Spirit Week



Classroom Christmas parties will be Wednesday, December 20th beginning at 1:30. Room parents will be contacting volunteers for these parties. You must be signed up with PTO and the main room parent in order to attend. No exceptions, please. Also, no siblings or young children at the parties please.

Leading up to the Christmas parties will also be an extended Holiday Spirit Week. Following are the spirit days:

Monday, 12/11: Merry Morning Monday (Wake up and wear your PJs to school)

Tuesday, 12/12: Holiday Headwear (Wear Santa hat, antlers,

elf hat, Christmas hat, headband, etc.)

Wednesday, 12/13: Candy Cane Day (Wear red and white)

Thursday, 12/14: Holiday Socks Day (Wear your favorite holiday socks)

Friday, 12/15: Red and Green Day

Monday, 12/18: Present Day (Dress like a present))

Tuesday, 12/19: Ugly holiday sweater

Wednesday, 12/20: Jolly Kids' Christmas (Get as decked out in holiday garb as possible!)

Leadership Teams

Student leadership teams are underway and going strong! We have 14 leadership teams this year that students were able to select from. Teams have met twice so far, and several of them have already begun working on projects. Teachers in Training have started working with the kindergarten students playing educational games during team time. Eventually, they will be able to volunteer to work one on one with kindergarten students during their recess time to practice letters, numbers, and sight words. The Recycling team are learning about the importance of recycling, and they will soon be collecting the paper recycling boxes throughout the building and taking them to the recycling bins outside under the supervision of Mrs. Geib and Mr. Fenn. Kindness Club is collecting Halloween candy to send to the troops, and K-Kids will be holding a canned food drive to benefit Feeding Medina County. Celebration Team and Welcoming Team are preparing for our upcoming Veterans Day assembly. Library Helpers helped Mrs. DeLucia get set up for the book fair. I am excited to see how all of our teams demonstrate leadership and community service this year!

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Veterans Day Assembly

Blake will celebrate and honor our Veterans on Friday, November 10th at our annual Veterans Day assembly. The assembly will begin at 2:00 and refreshments will be served afterwards to our honored guests and their families. An RSVP letter was sent home last week. Please be sure to fill that out and send it back in to the office if your child has a Veteran who will be in attendance.



“The truth is that teamwork is at the heart of great achievement.” -John C. Maxwell

Santa’s Secret Shoppe

Santa’s Secret Shoppe is coming back to Blake this December! On December 5th through December 8th, students will have the opportunity to shop for family members during their media time. Half-day kindergarten students will also be fit into the schedule to have a chance to shop. Information will be coming home closer to the shopping dates. You, as the parent, will be able to write on a list who your child will be shopping for and how much they can spend on each person. Parent volunteers will be available to assist your child in shopping.

you’d prefer to help your child shop.



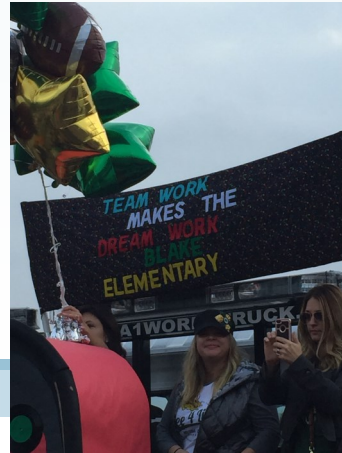
The shop will also be open Thursday, December 7th from 6-8PM if

Stay Connected!

Be sure your email address is correct in Registration Gateway to get email updates and newsletters. You can also sign up for the PTO Facebook page and the REMIND app to stay up-to-date, Call the office for more information (330-636-3900)

Blake Shines in Homecoming Parade

Blake had a huge turnout of students and their families for the Homecoming parade! Although we had a small float, we had a big showing! Showcasing our "Teamwork Makes the Dream Work" theme, students rocked out with the music theme for homecoming, chanting all along the parade route! Thank you to PTO and Mrs. McGhee for a terrific looking float!



Coats for Kids

The Coats for Kids school bus will be at Blake on November 16th from 10-11AM. If you have any coats to donate, either bring them to the bus between those times, or send them in with your child. He/she will be taken out to the bus during those times to turn in the coats. Thank you!

