



Bobcat Bulletin

Believe ~ Act ~ Achieve

September 2014

Dear Bobcat Families,

What a wonderful school opening we have had. Although we did lose one kindergarten unit at the ten day count, the rest of our grade levels are full. My thanks to all of our families who are making sure that their children are in school each day rested and ready to learn. Thanks also for everyone making sure that their children are dropped off and picked up on time. The very first step in a successful year is to have the boys and girls in class.

This year is going to be amazing - just wait and see!

-Lisa K. Roth, Principal

The character trait for September is

Responsibility

Doing your best and taking ownership for your words and actions.

It's Not TOO LATE to ADOPT a CLASS!!!

Adam and Amy Heflin

Mr. Fred

Bill and Connie Matthews

Nutrition Solutions of Florida

Dr. and Mrs. John E. Kilgore

Rick Rogers

Gail Grebe

RKM Building Construction Inc.

Golden Bear Restaurant

Shane Sullivan

Harry Remus

St. Johns Church

Hope Presbyterian Church

Stephanie and Pat Humes

Janet and Shawn Burrows

Valbone Cobanagi

Jennifer Hoyt

Karen Wolff

Kathleen Capabianco

Lafleurs Gymnastics

Linda and Michale DeMarais

Mowen Owen Landscaping and Tree Service

Mr. and Mrs. Keating



9/4/14	McDonald's Spirit Night 4:30-7:30 p.m.
9/5/14	Grandparents Morning 7:45-8:15 a.m.
9/8/14	SAC Meeting 5:30-6:30 p.m.
9/17/14	Mid-Term Progress Reports Go Home
9/17/14	Skating Party
Look Ahead	
10/10/14	Walk to School Day

Save the Date

Winter concert
December 16th

PreK, K, 1, 2, 3, and
Chorus
@ Clearwater High school

Be a BOX TOP HERO for our School!



Once again, Belcher Elementary School will collect BOXTOPS to support our Media Technology Programs. Last year we were able to purchase new headphones for each class and computer lab as well as replacement equipment for our BBN news studio and computer lab. The first Box Top collection will be the first week of October. You may send box tops with your student any time... your child's teacher has a collection box. The classes with the most box tops each collection wins a popsicle party! ~ Thanks! Mrs. Fleisch & Mr. Humes

Time for Tennis Shoes



Please help to make your child's PE experience safe by making sure they wear their tennis shoes to school on their PE day. According to the Student Code of Conduct, appropriate footwear must be worn. For physical education, the appropriate footwear is an athletic type shoe. For safety reasons, shoes must be securely fastened. In cold weather, flat rubber soled boots that are securely fastened will be permitted, however the safest shoe for your child is an athletic type shoe. Thank you for your help!

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Belcher Elementary School Counseling Program

Welcome back to a brand new school year! My name is Lisa Medvedev, the School Counselor. I have been working in Pinellas County Schools for 10 years and I look forward to a great new year at a brand new school for me!

What is School Counseling?

Counseling services consist of classroom guidance, support groups, and individual sessions. I work with students in the classroom at least once per month discussing social skills, friendship, bullying, among others. I follow the calendar of Character traits as outlined by our school district. I also provide small groups, with parent permission, such as anger management, coping with divorce,/ADD, self-control to name a few. The same is true for individual counseling.

How do I get counseling for my child?

Individual and group counseling must be pre-arranged by contacting Ms. Medvedev at 727-538-7437 ext. 2031, by letter, or by e-mail at Medvedevl@pcsb.org.

Students can request to see the counselor by asking the teacher or completing the form in the mailbox outside the counselor's office in the media center.

Examples of topics are:

Social skills	Anger management	Coping with divorce
Coping with a parent in jail	Coping with ADD/ADHD	Decision making skills
Self-esteem	Self-control	Behavior management
Coping with a deployed military parent		

I am also the 504 coordinator. If you or your doctor has concerns about how your child learns and can be more successful at school, please contact me to discuss the district/school policies.

If you feel that your child is being bullied, you may access the district website under Resources and complete the form online to report the concern anonymously or contact school administration at 727-538-7437.

You may also want to review the procedures and policies on the district website.

This is a topic that is always covered by the counselor and prevention resources are made available school wide to help your child.

I look forward to a happy and successful school year with your children!



From your PTA!

SPIRIT NIGHT @ McDonalds this Thursday 4:30-7:30 p.m.

Come join other Belcher Elementary School Superhero's as we celebrate SPIRIT Night at Mc Donald's on Belcher & Nursery Road This Thursday , Sept. 4th from 4:30-7:30. Mention that you are from Belcher Elementary School and a portion of your purchase will benefit our school!

Super Galactic Grandparents Morning @ Belcher Elementary School

This Friday, September 5th, 2014 Grandparents may join your Belcher Bobcat in our courtyard for a light snack and a change to walk your student to class and meet their teacher! At Belcher we LOVE our grandparents! Come join us as we celebrate you!

Title 1 Connect for Success Laptops

It is that time again, if you have been issued a Title 1 laptop for home use, it is need in the media center for inventory and updates. This is a mandatory collection and the laptop will be returned to you after the updates are complete. Please make sure all if the laptop items are present when you return it to school This includes, the mouse, power cord, and backpack. Thank you for cooperation.

We want to hear from You!

Please take a few moments and log in and take our parent survey. We are always striving to hear what we are doing right and what we can improve as well a programs you would like to see happen at your child's school. The survey can be accessed online at:

<http://www.advanc-ed.org/survey/public/2837639>

From the Media Center...

The Media center will open for book check out starting this week. Students are allowed to check out books as long as they have returned the ones they have borrowed . If your student attended Summer Bridge and still has books checked out from their Summer Bridge school site, please return them to our Media Center. I am looking forward to beginning our library media classes and assisting our Belcher Bobcats check out some great new books! ~ Mrs. Fleisch

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