



News Lynx



Strengthening Our Lynx

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Principal's Corner



Dear Students and Families,

During this time of the year, we typically pause to give thanks for the good things that occur in our families. As I reflect back on the life of Bon Lin Middle, I am very thankful for the many students, parents, teachers, and community members who have embraced this school and worked many hours to help us thrive and become the school we are today. Starting a new school is a major undertaking on all involved, and I sincerely appreciate everyone who has helped to push us to succeed. The PTSA has been instrumental in providing not only financial help, but also guidance and support along the way. Thank you to each member and Board member for volunteering and taking on this responsibility.

I wish each family represented at our school a safe and happy holiday season. As always, please feel free to contact the school if we can be of service.

Dr. Dyer

From the desk of...

I love November because it is a time when we stop and reflect on everything we have to be thankful for. We are so blessed to have such a great school and such dedicated administrators, teachers and staff. On November 3-5th, I had the opportunity to serve on the Making Middle Grades Work Assessment Team. I was really fascinated as I had the opportunity to visit 13 classes for a brief time. Our children were engaged in their lessons because our teachers were so well prepared and presented information in creative ways. As I witnessed our students doing everything from using technology to debates, I was very thankful for the caring, dedicated staff we have at Bon Lin Middle.

American Education Week is November 16-20th. It is a time we can honor our teachers and staff for all they have done in the lives of our students. The PTSA would like to show our appreciation by providing breakfast on Wednesday, November 18th at 8:45 a.m. for all bus drivers, safety patrol officers, and cafeteria workers. On Friday, November 20th, we would like to provide lunch for the teachers and staff. In order to do this we will need a host of cooks! If you would be willing to make a breakfast casserole, a pan of lasagna or a delicious dessert, or provide salad, drinks, or paper goods, please contact Lisa Stephens, Hospitality Chair at lisastephens@goodadvertising.com or 761-0741. Thank you so much for your willingness to serve others. Together we can have a great year as we are "Strengthening Our Lynx".

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Dates to Remember

November

- 10 Incredible Pizza Family Night
- 11 Veteran's Day - NO SCHOOL
- 16-20 American Education Week
- 16-20 Homecoming Week
- 17 Limo Ride to Incredible Pizza Party - 4PM
- 20 Homecoming Dance - 7-9PM
- 25-27 Thanksgiving Break - NO SCHOOL



December

- 1 Barnes & Noble Bookfair
- 8 Family Science Night - 6:30PM
- 9 Chick-fil-a Spirit Night
- 10 Strings Concert
- 14 Band Concert
- 15 Choir Concert
- 18 Box Top Collection
- 18 Start of Christmas Break



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Look up **Bon Lin Middle School** on any or all three and join today!



Thank You Clinic Volunteers!

Thanks to all October Clinic Volunteers, thank you Mr. Cook for being a substitute clinic volunteer and special thanks to Nola Gregory and Serita Marlin for working the Health Screenings.

Thanks to all parents who have sent in clinic donations. The clinic is still in need of alcohol wipes, germ x, soft soap for hand washing and quart size freezer bags for ice. If you have donations, I will gladly make arrangements to pick them up.

The clinic is still in need of Volunteers. If you could work 9am- 12noon or 12noon to 4pm, the clinic could surely need your help.

Please contact Tabitha Rogers at 438-5606 or Darlene at kmayes@scsk12.org.

A Christmas Carol

Bon Lin Drama Department will present *A Christmas Carol* on December 2nd & 4th, 2009. The performance is part of a Dinner Theatre Experience, which includes dinner, dessert and coffee at 6pm, with a spectacular performance of *A Christmas Carol* at 7:00. Tickets will be sold in advance, beginning November 16th.

Kroger Cards

Place your order for Kroger cards and BLMS PTSA will receive 5% back! Each card costs \$5 and when you get the card it's loaded with your \$5! See www.bonlinmiddleptsa.org for more information!



Schnucks Cards 

Register your Schnucks Customer Card at www.groups.escrip.com and indicate Bon Lin Middle to receive a donation. Our number is 500022665.

MEMBERSHIP INFO

Parents be on the lookout for your BLMS PTSA Membership cards! Thank you for your commitment to the kids, the school and our community.

Also, it's not too late to become a member of the BLMS PTSA.

Tonya Donnell-Boston, Membership

ATTENTION

Room Parents

Christmas is coming and you need to check with your teacher about Christmas parties, class angels, etc. Thanks – Julie Stevens



Fall Fundraiser – Strengthening Our Lynx Ten & You're In Party Update



I want to thank everyone who came to the Ten and You're In party on Friday November 6th. I hope you all had a great time. Thanks you to the parents that came to help. For those of you that sold 35 items or more for the chance to ride in a limo to Incredible Pizza, that date is November 17th. We will leave from the school after dismissal. I already have your signed permission slips but will send a reminder home the day before. Principal and Teacher for the day will be coming soon. Information to come.

Beth Nelson bnelson9601@aol.com or 494-7893

Barnes & Noble Bookfair

The library is gearing up for the Barnes and Noble bookfair on Tuesday, December 1 from 4:30 –7:00 pm. Please bring the bookfair voucher with you to the bookfair and be sure to give it to the cashier when making a purchase! New this holiday season, families have the opportunity to purchase cheesecakes from the Cheesecake Factory! Cheesecake is available for sale by the slice at the Barnes and Noble café daily, but we have a special promotion to purchase whole cheesecakes this holiday season. The cheesecakes serve fourteen people and can be stored frozen. They are great to take to holiday parties and dinners and are available in four flavors. Other pastries are available to be ordered from the Barnes and Noble café that evening as well. All purchases benefit our school library and go towards our bookfair profit. Cheesecakes must be ordered no later than November 18 and must be picked up at Barnes and Noble the evening of our bookfair! Please make checks payable to Barnes and Noble and return to Mrs. Boren. See Mrs. Boren today to order your cheesecake or for any bookfair questions!

RED RIBBON WEEK

This year RRW was a tremendous success. Thanks to the wonderful help of Ms. Murin and Sgt 1st class Brian Goode, the BLM Schoolers were in awe. They saw the full edited but understandable version of what several recreational drugs could do to your body. Questions were asked and answered with great enthusiasm and exceptional responses were given. The students were excited and very impressed. We again thanked the Tennessee National Guard Drug Awareness Officers for their support to care enough about our young adults at this age where any and everything can happen. I believe seeing is so much more impressive than constantly trying to drill into our students the dangers to be aware of. I feel because of the visuals, they may possibly have a better idea of how life could turn out by just sampling the wrong things. Again Ms. Murin and the other teachers who were a big help, thank you so much.



Sandra Horton – Health & Safety BLMS PTSA



SAVE THE DATE

Bon Lin Middle School Barnes & Noble BOOKFAIR

Tuesday, December 1
4:30-7:00 pm
Barnes & Noble
Wolfchase

- See our school Percussion ensemble perform
- View Comic art created by the BLMS Art Club
 - Don't miss the Poetry Club perform
- Order Cheesecake Factory cheesecakes for the holidays
- Visit <http://bonlinms.scsk12.org/~borenj/Boren/Welcome.html>

Barnes & Noble BOOKFAIR

Bon Lin Middle School

***Proceeds benefit the library!**

Tuesday, December 1, 4:30 pm

Barnes & Noble Wolfchase

2774 N. Germantown Pkwy

Bookfair ID: 590810

Please present this voucher prior to making your purchase. A percentage of the net sale will be donated to your school/organization.*

*The purchase of gift cards, Barnes & Noble memberships, textbooks and other select items are not included in bookfair totals. Our discount purchasing program may not be applied to bookfair purchases.





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MIDDLE SCHOOL

Cheesecake Factory® Whole Cheesecakes				Sweet Street Desserts®						Sweet Street Desserts®	
Godiva Chocolate Cheesecake	Original Cheesecake	Pumpkin Cheesecake	Oreos and Cream Cheesecake	Double Fudge Chocolate Cupcake (qty 6)	Vanilla Buttercream Cupcake (qty 6)	Ghiradelli Double Chocolate Cookies (qty 24)	Oatmeal Raisin Cookies (qty 24)	Reese's Peanut Butter Cookies (qty 24)	Shortbread Sugar Cookies (qty 24)	Tripple Chocolate Chunk Cookies (qty 24)	Granny Smith Apple Purse (qty 6)

All choices include sales tax where applicable

	NAME	PHONE NO.	\$37.80	\$37.80	\$37.80	\$37.80	\$14.75	\$14.75	\$51.13	\$51.13	\$51.13	\$51.13	\$51.13	\$51.13	\$15.72	Amount Due
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BARNES & NOBLE
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All orders arrive frozen and MUST be picked up on December 1
@ Wolfchase Barnes & Noble. (901) 386-9445.

Total Dollars

Make checks payable to: Barnes and Noble

Cheesecake/Dessert orders due on Wednesday, November 18!

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