

LIL' MOUNTAINEER

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Berlin Brothersvalley Elementary School Newsletter



Veteran's Day

We encourage all students to wear red, white, and blue to honor our veterans on Monday, November 11, 2019.

Parent Teacher Conferences

Parent Teacher Conferences are scheduled throughout the first two weeks of November. Check your child(ren)'s folders for dates!

Safety Drill

The district has a scheduled monthly safety drill on Wednesday, November 6.

Thanksgiving Break

The district has a scheduled early dismissal Tuesday, November 26, at 1:00pm. There is no school for students November 27 - December 3. School will resume on Wednesday, December 4.

Art to Remember

Mr. Kretchman's art students have completed their Square 1 Art creations. Look for more information to come home soon!

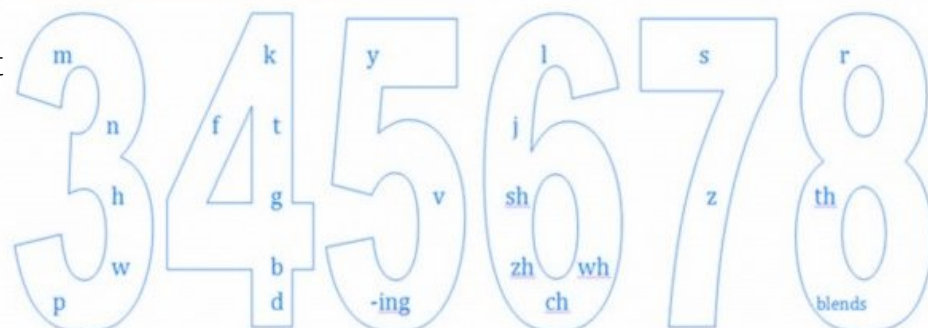
FALL FUN AT HOME!

- Play card or board games that involve counting or patterns
- Have your child measure ingredients for a recipe you are making
- Look for shapes and patterns outdoors
- Compare pumpkins - which is tallest? shortest? thinnest? decorative? heaviest? lightest?
- Have your child estimate the total cost while you are shopping

Dear Parents,

Each number (to the right) represents an age. Inside each number are the speech sounds that most children should be able to correctly produce by the end of that age. Please note that all children do not develop at the same rate and in the same way, so this may vary from student to student. Feel free to contact Mrs. Milburn with any questions or concerns regarding your child's speech and language skills.

SPEECH SOUND DEVELOPMENT BY AGE



What's Going On in Your Grade?

Kindergarten is Cool!

The Report is not in...yet!

Please note that kindergarten students do NOT receive report cards following the first marking period. Please take advantage of upcoming conference opportunities with your child's teacher to discuss our most recent formal and informal assessments, to talk about the growth we have seen thus far, and to discuss what we, as a team (student-parent-teacher), need to work on in the coming weeks.

Kindergarten Conference Dates:

Thursday, November 14 & Tuesday, November 19

*Please watch for a letter to come home in your child's folder detailing conference times and scheduling.

We look forward to meeting with you in November. At that time, we will share kindergarten's new, parent-friendly, standards-aligned report card that we will begin using in January.

1st Grade Fun!

As we get closer to Thanksgiving, 1st grade will be talking about things we are thankful for. We will also learn more about the settling of the United States as we discuss why we celebrate this holiday.

Super 2nd Graders!

2nd grade will be honoring Veterans this month by learning about the sacrifices that are made to keep us safe. Thank a Veteran, not just in November, but any time of year!

Get Moving!

Throughout a full week of school every student in grades K-6 comes into the elementary gym. Over the years I've been fortunate to get to know some of the students very well. One thing that hasn't changed is how these students feel about their families. They may not say it and you may not think it, but you the parents are the number one role models in the lives of these children. Older siblings are a close second. These children model your every word and every move. If you're active, they will be active and usually, if you're not, then neither will they. So, get these children moving, either by doing it with them or signing them up and transporting them to and from activities. There are so many activities offered by the school and other local organizations. Try as many as you can when your children are young and find out where they excel and what they like. It's never too late to start. Being active will benefit them physically, mentally, socially, and emotionally. Please never hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns about getting your kids started. Put the tablets, phones, and games down and get active! Thank You! ~Mr. Shubik

What's the Word in 3rd?

Algorithms, programs, and coders, oh my! Third grade science students are delving into coding and programming! Students have begun learning about algorithms, lines of code, and soon will begin actual coding on a program developed by students at MIT! As we dig deeper into programming and sharpen our understanding of computer literacy, ask your third grader questions about sprites, program requirements, and the difference between an algorithm and a program!

Fantastic 4th Graders!

In fourth grade math, students are working with and identifying factors, multiples, and prime and composite numbers. Fourth graders enjoy a fun song lyrics to help remember their vocabulary: 'Multi-ply, mul-ti-ples, go higher!' while we 'break down the factors, and go lower!'

Life Skills

In library, 4th grade has started the Botvin series, Life Skills Training. Students are discussing self-esteem, decision making and more. Parent letters come home every week, so please be looking for them and discuss the lesson with your child. - Mrs. Diehl

PTSO

The PTSO Fall Book Fair sold a record number of 1,583 books, which equals a total of 284,940 minutes of reading time! Thank you to the parents, students, and volunteers for all the help and support in making the Book Fair a success! The profits will help fund the Elementary spring field trips.