### Panther Print: November

# Bryker Woods Elementary

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Dear Panther Families,

Wow! What a month! Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! We are so lucky to have such an amazing community. You all have volunteered, donated, supported and shown so much love to our BW community.

We are incredibly grateful to all of our families who organized and volunteered for our Fall Carnival. It was another wonderful event and our Panthers seemed to have a blast. It's incredible to see the organization and time that is put into this event. We are so appreciative of all of you. A special thank you to Catherine Crocker our Carnival Chair, Elizabeth Clough, Holly Simmons, Lindsey Hanna, and Dee Donavon for their leadership and countless hours given to this event.

I would also like to thank all of our families and teachers for their collaboration with Parent/Teacher Conferences. It truly takes a team and I'm grateful to be working with all of you.

November will hopefully bring cooler weather and more wonderful BW traditions. We will begin our Spelling Bee preparations, showcase our 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade music program, present our special Veteran's Day assembly, host our Thanksgiving Lunch, Book Fair and the Turkey Trot.

I wish you all a wonderful month and safe travels during your Thanksgiving Break.

Your Proud Principal,

Kris Muehling



## **Upcoming Events**

#### November 1

Vertical Team Night at House Park for AH Football Game 6:30

#### November 4

School Tour 2:00 Spelling Bee Practice 3:00

**November 5** Elections in Library PTA Meeting 6:30

November 7 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Music Program 2:00 and 6:00

November11 Veteran's Day Assembly CAC Meeting 3:10 Spelling Bee Practice 3:00

November 15 Chime Club at Assembly Counselor's Coffee 8:00

November 18-21 Book Fair

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# More Important News

#### Vertical Team Night at House Park: Austin High Football

Join the Austin High community on Friday, November 1st at House Park for a fun night of cheer, dance and football. The first 150 elementary and middle school students will get in free and receive a free t-shirt. There will be tailgating and concessions available before the game and all students will be able to run out on the field threw the spirit tunnel. Hope to see you there!

#### Winter Writing Contest

We invite all 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students to participate in a Winter Writing Contest with the Trail of Lights and HEB. Students are asked to write about what makes them unique. Their essay should not be more than 250 words and include their name, grade and school name. All submissions are due Friday, November 8. Students may turn them in to their teacher or Ms. Muehling. The winners will receive free tickets to the Trail of Lights and have the honor of turning on the lights during the opening ceremony. A flyer went home in Monday Folders and more information will be shared on LT. Good luck Panthers!

#### Thanksgiving Lunch

We will host our annual Thanksgiving Lunch on Thursday, November 21. Thanksgiving lunch will be available to all visitors for \$3.85. You may use your child's account or bring cash. We do not accept credit cards. Our students will have an alternative lunch schedule on that day. Please look for the flyer in Monday Folders and more information posted on LT.

#### **Book Fair**

Join us November 18-21 for an Artic Adventure with our Book Fair. The library will host this special event Monday-Thursday from 7:30-4:30. We will have extended hours on Wednesday, Nov 20. The library will be open from 7:30-7:00. Happy Reading Panthers!



# **Upcoming Events**

**November 18** Spelling Bee Written Test 3:00

#### November 21

Thanksgiving Lunch Turkey Trot

November 22 Turkey Trot

**November 25-29** Thanksgiving Break/No School

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#### Veteran's Day Assembly

On November 11, we will honor our men and women in the Armed Forces with a special Veteran's Day Assembly. We invite all Veterans and Active Duty Service Members from our community to join us at 7:40 on November 11. Thank you for your service and everything you have done for our country!

#### Spelling Bee

Calling all 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade Spelling Bee participants. We will hold our annual Spelling Bee on Thursday, December 5 at 9:00 am in our cafeteria. Practice will begin next Monday, November 4 and will continue for the next 3 weeks. Please register your child to participate in this BW tradition.

#### https://forms.gle/upb2NngfSwfYP3HL6

#### Tree of Thanks

Thank you, Lindsey Hanna, for creating the beautiful trees in our front hallway for the school carnival. We felt they were too beautiful to take down and would love to recycle them. We will be using these trees for a Tree of Thanks Path. Colorful leaves will be available on the front bulletin board for students and families. Please write what you are grateful for on the leaves and place it in the Tree of Thanks bucket. Each day we will hang our leaves and spread our thanks. I know that I am thank for each of you! Thank you for making BW a special and loving community!



## In the Community

#### Sarah Summer

Thank you, Sarah for organizing our community cleanup and making our school grounds look so wonderful! Thank you for also working with our arborist and advocating for our school!

#### Kristin Raven

Thank you for organizing our Bike Trains and promoting biking to school!

Helen Morris, Chad Kelly, Sara Ekesi, Martha Mangum, Marina de Brito Cochran and Jessica Hershey Thank you for helping Ms. Gee setup our Mix It Up at Lunch and supporting our students during this event. You're the best!

## **BW Staff**

#### Katelyn Bostock

Ms. Bostock is an amazing teacher who truly takes time to connect with each of her students. She learns their interests and provides differentiated lesson that let her students know that she cares about them and their education. You are one of a kind Ms. Bostock! Thank you for all you do!!!!

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