



# PAW PRINTS



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Friday, November 17, 2023

## MENU FOR THE WEEK

(11/27-12/1)

**Monday**-Chicken & Biscuit, Peas, Cranberry Sauce,  
Asst. Fruit & Veggies

**Tuesday**-Nachos w/meat & cheese sauce,  
Assorted Fruit & Veggies

**Wednesday**-Baked Ham, Macaroni & Cheese,  
Garlic Knot, Asst. Fruit & Veggies

**Thursday**-Chili, Cornbread, Salad, Assorted Fruits  
& Veggies

**Friday**-Baked Potato Bar, Chicken Tenders,  
Broccoli, WW Dinner Roll, Asst. Fruit & Veggies

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

11/17-PTCO Movie Night 6pm

11/20-11/24-No School Thanksgiving Break

11/27-Q2 LEAPS begins

11/27-Jay Peak Boot Fitting 12:30

11/30-Grade 5 to Starbase

11/30-Poinsettia & Cookie Delivery

12/5-Early Release Day Noon Dismissal

12/7-5th Grade to Starbase

12/12-PTCO Meeting 4:30 PM

12/13-Jay Peak Ski Day

12/14 & 12/15-5th Grade to Starbase

12/20-5th Grade to Starbase

12/21-Starbase Rocket Launch

12/25-1/1-Winter Break

Reminder: Fundraiser pick up for Claussen's poinsettias and Cookie Love cookie dough will be on Thursday, November 30. \*The cookie dough must be kept frozen or refrigerated so it is very important that you pick it up on the day it arrives!

## **Quarter 2 LEAPS begins on Monday November 27!!**

Any families that completed the Quarter 2 registration form should have received a confirmation letter indicating which activities their student has been registered for. If you did not receive a confirmation letter **YOUR STUDENT IS NOT REGISTERED FOR THIS NEXT QUARTER**. We will not be expecting them on Monday Nov 27 unless we hear from you. Please email Rachel Huff with any changes or questions [rachel.huff@fnesu.org](mailto:rachel.huff@fnesu.org)

## What's Happening at BEMS

Hello Bakersfield Families!

It's difficult to believe it's almost the end of the first Trimester! The 7th and 8th grade students have been working hard in both Language Arts and Global Citizenship! In Language Arts, students spent a good part of the first Trimester learning about elements of Fantasy and writing their own fantasy stories. I encourage you to check in with your students and read their stories! We are now reading a class novel and working on analyzing characters, making inferences, and using evidence from the text. In Global Citizenship, the 8th graders have moved into a unit on the Thirteen Colonies, and are about to wrap up with a final project. 7th graders have just started a unit on Ancient Greece and Rome! I'm looking forward to some snowy weather and seeing what the second trimester brings!  
-Ms. Newman

It has been a fantastic week at the Book Fair. We loved seeing so many families come through. Thank you to everyone who came and supported our library program. The book fair looked very different this year, having partnered with Phoenix Books. We were very excited to support a local business and we have had a lot of great feedback.

On the art side of things, a reminder that Art to Remember orders are due Friday, November 17th if you want free shipping to the school. Orders placed by the 17th should arrive during the second week of December. Late orders can still be placed through Dec 29th and will ship to homes. A percentage of sales goes towards our art program, so thank you to everyone who has supported us through this program.

In class, this year's Advanced Art students just wrapped up an artist study of Tim Burton, where they made stylized portraits and learned stop-motion, creating short films featuring clay figures on wire armatures. Kindergarten and first have been learning about Native American art. Second grade has been setting art goals and working towards them. Third and fourth grade just wrapped up a fun lesson on how to make squishies. Our fifth and sixth graders just created coloring books which they gifted to the K/1st classes. Seventh and eighth graders have been learning some life skills in our sewing unit. We're keeping very busy!

### What is Operation Happiness?

As the holiday season is upon us, our school and greater Bakersfield community will again reach out to help our neighbors in need.

For those families in need who have children, we will provide a "wish" gift for each of your children in these boxes. These gifts are generously donated by staff in our school and members of our local churches. If you would like to receive an Operation Happiness box, please contact me at 827-6673 or at the school at 827-6611 by November 21.

If you are interested in helping with "wishes" for a child, you may also contact me.

Warmest wishes,

Sharon Lawyer, Bakersfield SLP and  
Bakersfield/Fairfield Operation  
Happiness Coordinator

### Shout Outs

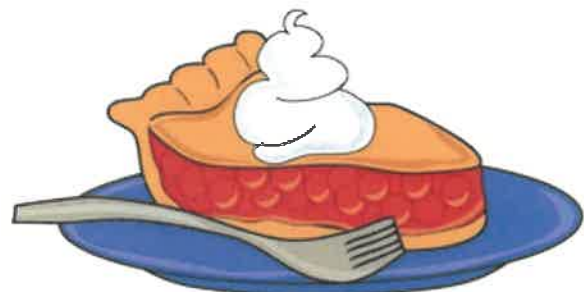
The following individuals were recognized for demonstrating and exceeding the school wide expectations:

Fletcher Sweet  
Mathias Mazza  
Aryah Bapp  
Pyper Abell-Childers  
Virginia Keefe  
Mavrik Smith  
Keira Reynolds  
Zachary Boucher  
Lucian Bodette  
Charlotte Flieger  
Wesley Paquette  
Randall Corey  
Levi Gratton  
Eli Mayo

James Curtis  
Oakley Schultz-Mitchell  
Kaden Goss  
Maggie Duffy  
Keira Habedank  
Taryn Dalley  
Maeve Schofield  
Ms. Hollie  
Kitchen Crew  
Talent Show Kids  
Student Council



Pie Sale  
Saturday, November 18  
9 a.m. - Noon  
United Church of Bakersfield & Fairfield





Dear Families,

We are thankful for you!

As we prepare to take time off from school November 20th-24th for the Thanksgiving break, we are grateful for everyone who has helped to restore a routine for showing up to school while supporting students and families.

Daily routines are essential for reducing stress and creating a sense of security for students and adults.

**Please take steps to keep your child healthy and send them to school unless they are truly sick.**

Every day of school is an important opportunity for students to learn as well as connect to peers and their teachers.

We thank:

- Our students and their families who do their best to show up to class every day even when it isn't easy.
- Our teachers who have gone above and beyond to help make school a welcoming learning environment where students can thrive.
- Our administrators who help us work together to ensure we are healthy and safe, feel a sense of community and experience the excitement of an engaging learning environment.
- Our many, many healers and helpers - the support staff and community volunteers who provide the extra hands and attention our children need.

May these days off be restful and healing.

• **If your family or your child needs support, please reach out to Amy Lovelette-Gervais-family Engagement Coordinator. Contact info is:**

Bakersfield Elementary School- 802-827-6611 ext 116

Berkshire Elementary School- 802-933-2290 ext 1403

Montgomery Elementary School- 802-326-4618

- We look forward to seeing you again when school resumes on November,27th.

Thank you for partnering with us!

Amy Lovelette-Gervais- Family Engagement Coordinator

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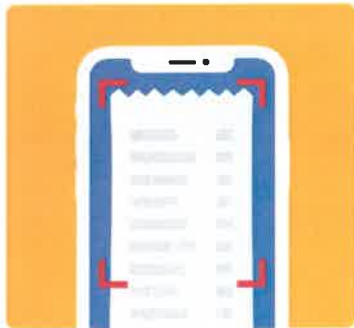


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# BFA GUIDANCE UPCOMING EVENTS

FALL 2023  
Spring 2024

Nov 20th

## BFA TOURS

Tours will be held from 1-1:30,  
1:30-2:00, 2:00-2:30, 2:30-3:00  
Tours will start at the BFA  
Connector.

Dec 5th

## BFA Experience

8th Grade Students and their  
families are invited to BFA to learn  
about all the opportunities that  
BFA has to offer.

Jan 5th

## Registration Forms Due

All registration forms are due in  
Guidance by January 5th.

May 24th

## BFA Move-Up Day

Students will get an overview of  
BFA's academics, advisory program,  
and co-curricular activities.

For more information call: 802-527-6571

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