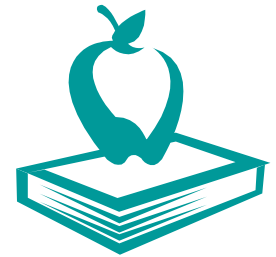


Let's Go Bulldogs!



# Barhitte News

## Santa Shop

December, 2015

Santa Shop will be held at Barhitte, Monday, December 14th-Thursdays, December 17th from 9:00 am-3:00 pm and Friday, December 18th from 9:00-12:00. It will also be open Tuesday, December 15th from 4:30-6:00 pm

Adult volunteers are needed to help each child with their selection. (One adult per child would be ideal, especially for our younger children.) If you can volunteer please call the Barhitte Office at (810) 591-9661.

Children will be able to purchase their own special holiday gifts for family and friends. The gifts range in price from \$.25—\$6.00.

Thank you for helping to make our Santa Shop a success!!



## It's Cold Outside!

We know that parents are very concerned about their children during the cold weather. At the same time, we realize that it is very important for children to have the opportunity to go outside for a few minutes

each day, weather permitting. Our policy is that children go outside unless the temperature/wind chill is at or below zero degrees.

Please check your child every morning to

ensure he/she is well dressed for the weather.



### Upcoming Events:

- ✓ 12/2/15 Late Start Wednesday 9:25-3:30
- ✓ 12/8/15 School Board Meeting 6:00 pm Administration Office
- ✓ 12/9/15 Late Start Wednesday 9:25-3:30
- ✓ 12/14-18 Santa Shop 9:00-3:00
- ✓ 12/15/15 PAWSitive Parents Mtg. 6:00-7:30 (Santa Shop is Open 4:30-6:00)
- ✓ 12/16/15 Late Start Wednesday 9:25-3:30
- ✓ 12/16/15 Progress Reports are Sent Home
- ✓ 12/18/15 Classroom Parties 2:00-3:00
- ✓ 12/22/15 Second Grade Gingerbread Houses 8:45-9:45 Cafeteria
- ✓ 12/23-1/1 Holiday Break
- ✓ 1/4/16 School Resumes

## Student Safety

We are very concerned with the safety of our students at Barhitte.

The School complies with all fire safety laws and conducts fire drills in compliance with State Laws. Specific instructions on how to proceed are provided to students by their teachers who are responsible for safe, prompt, and orderly evacuation of the building.

Tornado drills are conducted during the tornado season using the procedures provided by the State..

Lockdown drills and evacuation drills are practiced throughout the school year to be prepared in the event of an emergency.

We are also concerned about Stranger Danger. Please speak with your children about how to react in the event they are approached by a Stranger.

The following are stranger safety tips that should be followed :

- ◆ Don't talk to strangers.
- ◆ Don't take anything from strangers.
- ◆ Don't go anywhere with someone you don't know.
- ◆ Stay more than an arm's reach away from strangers. If you are approached by a stranger, run to a safe place.
- ◆ Trust your instincts—if you feel you are being followed or something is not right, seek help immediately.
- ◆ Use the buddy system-avoid walking anywhere alone.
- ◆ If a stranger approaches you, you do not have to speak to him or her. Never approach a stranger in a motor vehicle. Just keep walking or running. Do not accept candy or any other items from a stranger. Never walk off with a stranger no matter what he or she tells you.
- ◆ If a stranger grabs you, do everything you can to stop him or her from pulling you away or dragging you into his or her car. Drop to the ground, kick, hit, bite, and scream. Do whatever it takes to attract the attention of others who can help you. If someone is dragging you away, scream, "this is not my dad", or "this is not my mom".

## Math Blast

We are excited to announce our first annual math blast at Barhitte. Students will earn participation through a series of math tests appropriate for each grade level throughout the year.

Math Blast Day will include fun things for our kids to do outside such as: bounce houses, face painting temporary tattoos, and much more! There will be plenty of activities to engage students of all ages.



# FUN HOT CHOCOLATE RUN!



Our Fun Hot Chocolate Run was a huge success this year! Thank you to all who helped raise money for our school. Our total raised was **\$4115.18!** Our students had a lot of fun participating and we are very proud of their efforts to help Barhitte!



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## Principal's Corner

Thank you to all the parents who took the time to attend parent teacher conferences on November 11th or November 12th. A HUGE thank you to the parents who filled out the parent surveys. Our school improvement team does look over the results and tries to implement strategies to improve on things that are identified. Three lucky parents—Melonie Cronkright, Crystal Harger and Dale Cross will be receiving a gift card because their surveys were drawn as our winners!

**Congratulations!!**

Every Child, Every Day -  
Whatever it Takes.

## School and Community Resource Coordinator

We would like to welcome Lisa Gaby, who has recently been hired as the Student and Resource Coordinator for our District.

She will be here to help students and families with needs they have outside the classroom. She has already begun to implement the backpack program at Barhitte, the Food Pantry and family holiday assistance.

If you need to contact her she can be reached at the High School, (810) 591-9531 or by email at [lgaby@bentleyschools.org](mailto:lgaby@bentleyschools.org)