

What an amazing December! Students were able to shop for family members at the Christmas Bazaar, share our singing talents at our Christmas Program, and generously support our neighbors. Our school community was able to come together to help a worthy cause, Benzie Area Toys for Tots, by having a penny war. In just 2 weeks, our school was able to raise \$705.67 with the help of a \$90 donation from our new business partner, MR Products of Copemish. MR Products also donated many additional toys! The Corner Toy Store of Frankfort matched the money collected bringing our total donation to just over \$1400 worth of toys to the Benzie County program! I could not be more proud of the students, staff, and community! Thank you all for reinforcing why Betsie Valley is such a great community of people!

School resumes on Tuesday, January 3. Students will participate in a CHAMPS camp refresher, where all students review and practice schoolwide expectations, the first week back. We will focus on responsible, respectful, and safe behavior in all areas of the school and playground.

Important Dates for the Calendar:

Tuesday, January 3 School Resumes Friday, January 20 Half-day Early Release 11:50 Friday, January 27 Report Cards Sent home Wednesday, Jan 25 through Friday, Jan 27 Fifth Grade Winter Camp



PARENTS WE NEED YOU! Looking for more information? Want to get involved? Like our Facebook page Betsie Valley Elementary School to keep up on the most current information. Join us on the 2nd Tuesday each month in the staff lounge at 4:30 pm for PTS meetings.

Notes and important papers are being sent home on Thursdays in the Thursday Folders.

We are always looking for ways to keep parents informed and improve our school. Your input is valuable! Please take a few minutes to complete this short survey about Betsie Valley! <u>https://</u> goo.gl/forms/cBNqxG0VrKNvO58H3

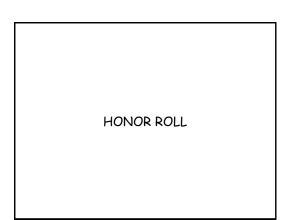
We appreciate your feedback and look forward to a successful 2017!

Amiee Erfourth



Mission Statement

The community of Betsie Valley will provide opportunities in a responsible, respectful and safe environment to empower students to learn and succeed in today's society





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Please read our policy concerning students staying in at recess:

ILLNESS DURING SCHOOL AND PARTICIPATION We expect all children present on any given day to participate in any and all activities provided for them. <u>In the case of medical or re-</u> ligious reasons or when your child(ren) must miss recess, physical education, or some other activity, a note signed by the parent will be sufficient for one day. In case of any illness longer than one day in which the child attends school but cannot participate in the activity, a doctor's recommendation will be required. Students who become ill during school should tell their teacher and then report to the office. If there is a necessity for the student to go home, the office will inform the parent and the student will be released from school. 100 BOARD WINNERS Addison Hogarth Katelyn Brinkman Lillian Hoeksema Alie Finzel Katelyn Clark Cameron McDaniel Colton Ross Aidan Erfourth Joslin Hoeksema Morgan Kalosky

BOX TOPS & LABELS

Please keep saving those Campbell's, Spartan labels and Boxtops for Education. It's important to save the UPC code and the little soup guy. Please send them into your students classroom. Thank you

Calendar of Event's

School Resumes

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STUDENTS 1/2 DAY end of semester Report Cards go home Just a reminder to be sure your student has a pair of gym shoes in their locker. A lot of children try to wear their boots all day which present many problems. If they have gym shoes then they are prepared for class as well. Thank you!



1/3	Carson Tinker	1/4	Gary Conrad
1/8	Joredahn Peterson	1/12	Reece Raney
1/17	Emma Nord	1/18	Christina Braun
1/19	Marius Crisp	1/22	Ayden Sikorski
1/25	Myleigh Dunlop	1/27	Ethan Brinkman
1/30	Hillysweet Myers	1/31	Caleb Joan
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If You Need:	Contact:	Address/Phone
Shelter_		
Domestic Violence only:	Women's Resource Center	720 South Elmwood,/231-941-1210
Teens only:	Pete's Place/Third Level Street Outreach Services	2943 Keystone /922-4800/1-800-442-7315
Others:	Goodwill Inn	2943 Keystone/231-922-4890
	Safe Harbor (contact Goodwill Inn for List)	Winter months only (rotating schedule)
<u>Outreach</u>	Team Outreach	231-995-7721
	Jubilee House (Grace Episcopal Church)	325 Washington Street/231-947-2330
Food (Groceries)	Contact Love, Inc./They will refer you to a pantry	231-941-5683
	Father Fred Foundation	826 Hastings St./231-947-2055
	WIC (women and children)	2325 Garfield/922-2720Eng.922-2721Sp.
	Acme Christian Thrift Store (ACTS)	5700 US 31 North, Acme/231-938-2990
	Kingsley Resource Center	231-263-5161/ext. 232
	Ressurection Life Church Mobile Pantry (Monthly)	2 nd Tuesday 3 p.m./E. Commerce Dr/Grawn
	Social Security	525 Munson/231-946-8361/1-800-772-1213
Food (A Hot Meal)	Mon, Wed, Fri/Noon Salvation Army	Barlow Street 231-946-4644
	Mon., 5:30 p.m. Trinity Lutheran	103 S. Maple 231-946-2720
	Tue., 11:30 a.m. At Friends Church	206 South Oak Street (5th at Oak)
	Tue., 5:30 p.m. First Church of the Nazarene	1023 S. Division
	Wed., 5 p.m. First Christian Church	3686 South Airport 231-946-4074
	Thu, Noon Central United	222 Cass Street 231-946-5191
	Thu, 5:30 p.m. Faith Reformed Church	1139 E. Front Street 231-947-7082
	Fri., Noon Grace Episcopal	349 Washington 231-947-2330
	2 nd Sat, Noon St.Francis High School Cafeteria Sat, 5:30 p.m. Peninsula Bible Church	123 E. 11 th Street 231-946-8038
	Sun., 1 p.m. Sojourn Church @Grace Episcopal	Fair & Titus 231-946-9451
	Sun., 5 p.m. Trinity Lutheran	349 Washington 231-947-2330
		103 S. Maple 231-946-2720
<u>Health/Dental Care</u>	Traverse Health Clinic - By appt. AND Walk-In Clinic, Wed & Fri, 9a.mNoon. Call ahead & before 9 a.m.	3147 Logan Valley Rd./231-935-0668
	Teen Health & Wellness Center (M-F 8:30 a.m4 p.m.)	880 Parsons Road/231-922-6416 (Ages 10-21)
	HIV/AIDS Services/Thomas Judd Care Center	1221 - 6 th St, Suite 206/231-935-5085
	GT Co. Health Department/WomenCare	2325 Garfield Rd., N./231-922-4831
	Dental Clinics North	1-877-321-7070
	Dental Clinics (for those with Medicaid)	231-932-7316
	Grapevine Dentures/Dr. Jack Ross (dentures)	231-943-8409
	Medicaid/State Medical (DHS)	701 S. Elmwood./231-941-3900
	MI Child	231-922-4831/ext. 4
	Traverse Health Clinic and Coalition (CHAP)	3183 Logan Valley Rd/231-935-0799
	Physician Referral Service	231-935-5886
	Loan Closet (wheelchairs, other medical supplies)	231-922-2349

<u>Counseling</u>	Catholic Human Services	1000 Hastings/231-947-8110
	Child and Family Services	3785 Veterans Dr./231-946-8975
	Pine Rest Christian Mental Health Services	1050 Silver Drive/231-947-2255
	Northern Lakes Community Mental Health	105 Hall Street/231-922-4850
	Wedgewood Christian Counseling	3180 Racquet Club Dr/231-922-1875
	Third Level Crisis Intervention Center	1022 E. Front/231-922-4800
	Women's Resource Center	720 S. Elmwood/231-941-1210
	Children's Crisis Team	1-800-442-7315/231-922-4800
<u>Legal Aid</u>	Legal Aid Clinic (Tuesdays; Sign in 5:00 PM; return at 7:00) Conflict Resolution Services Legal Services of Northern Mich. Traverse Attorney Referral Service For additional information, contact Goodwill Inn, 231-922- 4890	1022 E. Front/231-922-4800 1022 E. Front/231-941-5835 207 Grandview Pkwy/ 231-941-0771 231-922-4713

Benzie Area Christian Neighbors (BACN) is Located next to the Timberline Shell in Benzonia. They assist Residents from Benzie and Northern Manistee County with many needs. These services include food, clothing and utilities as well as limited medical help and GED classes. They also offer information about community resources and events.

New to BACN is Hope Kochis who is specializing in the MI Bridges website from the Department of Human Services. She will help anyone apply for a bridge card, Medicaid, childcare, or emergency assistance through DHS. For those already receiving DHS benefits you can create a user name and view your entire case. It is beneficial to see any upcoming appointments or if your case worker is expecting anything from you. You can also view any documents that DHS has mailed you.

Hope is available at BACN Monday thru Thursday 10-2 231-882-9544

A meeting can be arranged at other locations such as, Thompsonville, Lake Ann or Honor for those with limited transportation.

Don't Hesitate to Call ... We are here to HELP!!

CHRISTMAS PENNY WARS !!!!!





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Kindgergarten:	Evangeline Demars
Kindergarten:	Darwin Brown
1st grade:	Marius Crisp
2nd grade:	Alesea Peoples
3rd grade:	Hannah Rood
4th grade:	Seth Lamie
5th grade:	Star Rennaker

PENNY WARS

In 1st place Gee- Kindergarten 2nd place GSRP 3rd place 5th grade 4th place 3rd grade 5th place 1st garde 6th place Corey- Kindergarten 7th place 2nd grade 8th place 4th grade

