



Betsie Valley Communicator

January 2018

Dear Families,

What an amazing December! Students were able to shop for family members at the Christmas Bazaar (with much thanks to Mrs. Tinoco, Mrs. Tinker and Mrs. Scarbrough), share our singing talents at our Christmas Program (with much thanks to Ms. Corey for all of her work), and generously support our neighbors (with much thanks to all of you!).

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 \$899.12 and two enormous boxes of toys with the help from our local business partner, MR Products of Copemish. The Corner Toy Store of Frankfort matched the money collected bringing our total donation to just over \$1800 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 Wednesday, January 3. Students will participate in a CHAMPS camp refresher, where all students review and practice school-wide expectations, the first week back. We will focus on responsible, respectful, and safe behavior in all areas of the school and playground.

At Betsie Valley we strongly believe that safety of students is our number one priority. Over the course of this school year a few potential concerns have arisen that could impact the safety of students. One concern is last minute bus changes. These occur when families call after the 2:30 pm cut time or when we have last minute changes to after school activities. Given our commitment to the safety and well-being of all students, we are changing the policy for after school events. We will **NO longer** be able to accommodate last minute requests to attend after school events. **All paperwork and money MUST be submitted no later than 2 days prior to the event.** This change reflects the need for staff to have timely notice of bus changes and accurate lists of students staying after school.

Additionally, we ask that you please make the office aware of any changes to your child's transportation arrangements **BEFORE 2:30pm**. The office is a very busy place, especially between 3-4 pm. Last minute changes placed after 2:30 pm run the risk of not being implemented correctly. **Please reserve changes after 2:30 pm for EMERGENCIES ONLY.** Thanks for your help with this!

One other policy change related to safety and student well-being will also go into effect beginning in January. This deals with student behavior. If a student is removed from class during the regularly

scheduled school day and is not able to return to the classroom due to behavioral concerns, the student will **NOT** be allowed to stay after school for any after school events. Our after school events are often staffed by parent volunteers that have not had proper training on how to work with students in crisis. Allowing students that have struggled to maintain safe, responsible, and respectful behavior during the school day to attend an after school event with untrained volunteers could result in unsafe conditions. If a student has pre-registered for the event, they will have their money refunded.

Just a reminder that if a child is unable to attend school because of an illness or any other reason, they will not be allowed to attend after school activities. Please allow your child proper recovery time. Children should be fever free for 24 hours before returning to school.

Thanks again for allowing us to partner with you to help your child reach their full potential!
Betsie Valley- Inspiring greatness one student at a time!

Have a wonderful January!
Amiee Erfourth

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Mission Statement

The community of Betsie Valley inspires greatness one student at a time by encouraging best effort, responsible choices, and respectful behavior in safe environment.

**100 BOARD BINGO
WINNERS 12/20**

Katelyn Osterloh
Adam Mihalic
Aidan Erfourth
Regan Gott
Moraya Mosher
Ava Erfourth
Soraya Defaille
Destiny Denune
Kaylie Wheelock
Natalie Garske



**December Scholar
of the Month**

Kindergarten: Lea Tsuber
1st grade: Colson Pappas
1st grade: Will Campana
2nd grade: Lillian Wasson
3rd grade: Gary Conrad
4th grade: Moraya Mosher
5th grade: Joseph Tsuber

BOX TOPS & LABELS

Box Tops, Aunt Millie's, Spartan and Our Family School Reward Points—Classroom "Battles" will run Jan 3-Feb 16 and Feb 26-April 6 and April 16-May 31. The winning class for each Battle will receive a special prize, and the winner of the School Rewards Points "War" will win a pizza party!

Calendar of Event's

January 31 School Resumes
January 8th School Board Meeting 7 pm MS Lab
January 9th PTS Meeting 4:15 pm in Staff Lounge
January 18th After School Movie Night 4:00pm-5:30
January 19th STUDENTS 1/2 DAY end of semester
January 23rd Dental Screening
January 26th Report Cards go home
January 30th Betsie Valley Community Center Planning Meeting 6pm

FREE PRESCHOOL

NMCAA Head Start & BCCS GSRP Preschool Programs are now taking applications for the 2018-19 school year. These are FREE quality preschool programs in your area promoting school readiness.

Children who will be 3 and 4 years-old on or before 12/01/18 are eligible to apply.

Call now for an appointment:
1-231-346-2116 or 1-800-632-7334
APPLY NOW!!!

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	1/24	William Rice
1/4	Gary Conrad	1/25	Myleigh Dunlop
1/11	Soraya Defaille	1/25	Elijah Kelley
1/12	Annie Defaille	1/27	Ethan Brinkman
1/12	Reece Raney	1/30	Hillysweet Myers
1/19	Marius Crisp	1/31	Caleb Joan



ART Newsletter



First of all I need to thank the Mosher family for donating kleenex!!! It has been very nice to have them available, especially during flu season.

We are wrapping up our art classes for the semester. Here are some of the lessons we are working on:)

Kindergarten had fun painting their ideas at the easel and coloring Rudolphs.

The 1st graders compared and contrasted two different artists: Mondrian and Matisse. They had fun using the two techniques to create their own artwork. We are currently working on a terrific weaving unit.

2nd and 3rd grade finished a unit on horizon line and that segways nicely into a unit on foreground, middleground and background. We have worked on various projects involving penguins, snowmen, trees and sunsets.

4th graders worked hard at shading our self portraits made from selfies. Next we will shade snowmen.

5th graders are finishing up a short unit on Van Gogh's Starry Night with glitter. One point perspective is our next unit of study.

If there is a volunteer out there who would like to come in and help organize art materials I would put you to work;) Also the art room is in need of some supplies: Kleenex, wipes, glue sticks, pencils, and a two-sided easel.

One more thing, I love the messages on Dojo!! Could you please let me know which class your student is in?:)

Thanks, Mrs. Travis



REMINDER:

PER OUR SCHOOL HANDBOOK, **COSMETICS/MAKEUP AND COLOGNE ARE NOT TO BE WORN TO SCHOOL, BROUGHT TO SCHOOL, OR APPLIED AT SCHOOL.** Students will be asked to wash it off.

Please read our policy concerning: ILLNESS DURING SCHOOL AND STUDENT PARTICIPATION

We expect all children present on any given day to participate in any and all activities provided for them. In the case of medical or religious 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.



CHRISTMAS PENNY WARS !!!!! We raised \$899.12!!!



M & R Products of Copemish &
Corner Toy Store of Frankfort
for your generous Donations!
Thank you so much!!!!



Mrs. Corey's Kindergarten
class won the Penny Wars.

PENNY WARS

- 1st place Kindergarten
- 2nd place 3rd grade
- 3rd place 4th grade
- 4th place 2nd grade
- 5th place 1st grade Gramzow



Vinnie Pickard
won the Ginger-
bread house built
by our very own
kitchen staff,
thank you for the
donations for the
local food
pantry!



The students did such a nice job for the Holiday concert!
A big thank you to Mrs. Corey, Mrs. Hardwicke and all the
students and staff for your practice and hard work.

January 2018

Betsie Valley
Lunch

MONDAY

1 New Year's Day - No School

TUESDAY

2 New Year's Day - No School

WEDNESDAY

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THURSDAY

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FRIDAY

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main Entrées • Mini Turkey Corn Dogs Alternate Entrées • Popcorn Chicken Salad • Bagel Fun Lunch Extra Extra Milk & Condiments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main Entrées • Whole Grain French Toast Sticks Alternate Entrées • Ham, Cheese, and Lettuce Wrap • Cereal Fun Lunch Extra Extra Milk & Condiments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main Entrées • Classic Pepperoni Pizza Alternate Entrées • Cheddar/Mozzarella Salad • Apple Cinnamon Muffin Fun Lunch Extra Extra Milk & Condiments |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main Entrées • Ham & Swiss Pretzel Roll Sandwich Alternate Entrées • Turkey & Cheese Wrap • PB & Grape Jelly Uncrustable Extra Extra Milk & Condiments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main Entrées • Turkey Hot Dog Alternate Entrées • Ham & American Cheese Sandwich • Nachos Fun Lunch Extra Extra Milk & Condiments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main Entrées • Chicken Tenders Alternate Entrées • Popcorn Chicken Salad • Bagel Fun Lunch Extra Extra Milk & Condiments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main Entrées • Beef Nachos Alternate Entrées • Ham, Cheese, and Lettuce Wrap • Cereal Fun Lunch Extra Extra Milk & Condiments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main Entrées • Cheese Stuffed Breadsticks Alternate Entrées • Cheddar/Mozzarella Salad • Apple Cinnamon Muffin Fun Lunch Extra Extra Milk & Condiments |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main Entrées • Bean & Cheese Burrito Alternate Entrées • Turkey & Cheese Wrap • PB & Grape Jelly Uncrustable Extra Extra Milk & Condiments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main Entrées • Classic Cheeseburger in Bun Alternate Entrées • Ham & American Cheese Sandwich • Nachos Fun Lunch Extra Extra Milk & Condiments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main Entrées • Chicken Nuggets Alternate Entrées • Popcorn Chicken Salad • Bagel Fun Lunch Extra Extra Milk & Condiments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main Entrées • Pancakes Alternate Entrées • Ham, Cheese, and Lettuce Wrap • Cereal Fun Lunch Extra Extra Milk & Condiments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main Entrées • Cheese Pizza Alternate Entrées • Cheddar/Mozzarella Salad • Apple Cinnamon Muffin Fun Lunch Extra Extra Milk & Condiments |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main Entrées • Crispy Chicken Patty Sandwich Alternate Entrées • Turkey & Cheese Wrap • PB & Grape Jelly Uncrustable Extra Extra Milk & Condiments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main Entrées • Beef Taco Meat Alternate Entrées • Ham & American Cheese Sandwich • Nachos Fun Lunch Extra Extra Milk & Condiments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main Entrées • Turkey & Cheese on Flatbread Alternate Entrées • Popcorn Chicken Salad • Bagel Fun Lunch Extra Extra Milk & Condiments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main Entrées • Beef Ravioli Alternate Entrées • Ham, Cheese, and Lettuce Wrap • Cereal Fun Lunch Extra Extra Milk & Condiments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main Entrées • Classic Pepperoni Pizza Alternate Entrées • Cheddar/Mozzarella Salad • Apple Cinnamon Muffin Fun Lunch Extra Extra Milk & Condiments |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main Entrées • Matched Potato & Chicken Bowl Alternate Entrées • Turkey & Cheese Wrap • PB & Grape Jelly Uncrustable Extra Extra Milk & Condiments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main Entrées • Home-style Beef and Bean Chili Alternate Entrées • Ham & American Cheese Sandwich • Nachos Fun Lunch Extra Extra Milk & Condiments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main Entrées • Mini Turkey Corn Dogs Alternate Entrées • Popcorn Chicken Salad • Bagel Fun Lunch Extra Extra Milk & Condiments |
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Betsie Valley Breakfast

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>1</p> <p>New Year's Day - No School</p>	<p>2</p> <p>New Year's Day - No School</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Main Entrees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • French Toast Sticks • Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal • Lucky Charms • Cocoa Puffs Cereal • Reduced Sugar Fliz • Strawberry Yogurt • Fruit & Vegetable Bar • Milk & Condiments 	<p>4</p> <p>Main Entrees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greek Oatmeal English Muffin • Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal • Lucky Charms • Cocoa Puffs Cereal • Reduced Sugar Fliz • Bar, Cereal, Cinnamon Toast Crunch, 1.42 oz • Fruit & Vegetable Bar • Milk & Condiments 	<p>5</p> <p>Main Entrees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Double Chocolate Chip Muffin • Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal • Lucky Charms • Cocoa Puffs Cereal • Reduced Sugar Fliz • Strawberry Banana Yogurt • Fruit & Vegetable Bar • Milk & Condiments
<p>8</p> <p>Main Entrees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apple Breakfast • Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal • Lucky Charms • Cocoa Puffs Cereal • Reduced Sugar Fliz • Cherry Yogurt • Fruit & Vegetable Bar • Milk & Condiments 	<p>9</p> <p>Main Entrees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cinnamon Cream Cheese Stuffed Bagel • Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal • Lucky Charms • Cocoa Puffs Cereal • Reduced Sugar Fliz • Oatmeal & Cinnamon Baked bar • Fruit & Vegetable Bar • Milk & Condiments 	<p>10</p> <p>Main Entrees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breakfast Turkey Sausage Pizza • Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal • Lucky Charms • Cocoa Puffs Cereal • Reduced Sugar Fliz • Strawberry Banana Yogurt • Fruit & Vegetable Bar • Milk & Condiments 	<p>11</p> <p>Main Entrees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scrambled Eggs • Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal • Lucky Charms • Cocoa Puffs Cereal • Reduced Sugar Fliz • Bar, Cereal, Cocoa Puffs, 1.42 oz • Fruit & Vegetable Bar • Milk & Condiments 	<p>12</p> <p>Main Entrees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blueberry Muffin • Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal • Lucky Charms • Cocoa Puffs Cereal • Reduced Sugar Fliz • Strawberry Yogurt • Fruit & Vegetable Bar • Milk & Condiments
<p>15</p> <p>Main Entrees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pancakes • Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal • Lucky Charms • Cocoa Puffs Cereal • Reduced Sugar Fliz • Cherry Yogurt • Fruit & Vegetable Bar • Milk & Condiments 	<p>16</p> <p>Main Entrees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strawberry Cream Cheese Bagel • Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal • Lucky Charms • Cocoa Puffs Cereal • Reduced Sugar Fliz • Oatmeal & Cinnamon Baked bar • Fruit & Vegetable Bar • Milk & Condiments 	<p>17</p> <p>Main Entrees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • French Toast Sticks • Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal • Lucky Charms • Cocoa Puffs Cereal • Reduced Sugar Fliz • Strawberry Banana Yogurt • Fruit & Vegetable Bar • Milk & Condiments 	<p>18</p> <p>Main Entrees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ham, Egg & Cheese Burrito • Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal • Lucky Charms • Cocoa Puffs Cereal • Reduced Sugar Fliz • Bar, Cereal, Rice Krispy, Apple (Cinnamon, Whole Grain), 2.77 oz • Fruit & Vegetable Bar • Milk & Condiments 	<p>19</p> <p>Main Entrees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Double Chocolate Chip Muffin • Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal • Lucky Charms • Cocoa Puffs Cereal • Reduced Sugar Fliz • Strawberry Yogurt • Fruit & Vegetable Bar • Milk & Condiments
<p>22</p> <p>Main Entrees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waffles • Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal • Lucky Charms • Cocoa Puffs Cereal • Reduced Sugar Fliz • Apple Cinnamon Muffin • Fruit & Vegetable Bar • Milk & Condiments 	<p>23</p> <p>Main Entrees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sausaged Sausage Pancake • Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal • Lucky Charms • Cocoa Puffs Cereal • Reduced Sugar Fliz • Strawberry Yogurt • Fruit & Vegetable Bar • Milk & Condiments 	<p>24</p> <p>Main Entrees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breakfast Turkey Sausage Pizza • Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal • Lucky Charms • Cocoa Puffs Cereal • Reduced Sugar Fliz • Oatmeal & Cinnamon Baked bar • Fruit & Vegetable Bar • Milk & Condiments 	<p>25</p> <p>Main Entrees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scrambled Egg • Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal • Lucky Charms • Cocoa Puffs Cereal • Reduced Sugar Fliz • Bar, Cereal, Fliz, 1.42 oz • Fruit & Vegetable Bar • Milk & Condiments 	<p>26</p> <p>Main Entrees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bagel • Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal • Lucky Charms • Cocoa Puffs Cereal • Reduced Sugar Fliz • Cherry Yogurt • Fruit & Vegetable Bar • Milk & Condiments
<p>29</p> <p>Main Entrees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pancakes • Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal • Lucky Charms • Cocoa Puffs Cereal • Reduced Sugar Fliz • Cherry Yogurt • Fruit & Vegetable Bar • Milk & Condiments 	<p>30</p> <p>Main Entrees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coby Cheese Omelet • Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal • Lucky Charms • Cocoa Puffs Cereal • Reduced Sugar Fliz • Oatmeal & Cinnamon Baked bar • Fruit & Vegetable Bar • Milk & Condiments 	<p>31</p> <p>Main Entrees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • French Toast Sticks • Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal • Lucky Charms • Cocoa Puffs Cereal • Reduced Sugar Fliz • Strawberry Yogurt • Fruit & Vegetable Bar • Milk & Condiments 		

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