

Big Hollow Primary School

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Family Reading Night

We enjoyed seeing so many families participate in our “Carnival of Reading” celebration on Tuesday evening. Congratulations to Paul in Mrs. Cloherty’s kindergarten class who guessed the correct number of candy kisses in the jar- 1,350. Grace in Mrs. Stockey’s first grade was the raffle winner of the collection of books. Remember to read often and to visit your local library.



A Friendly Reminder

Just a reminder that toys, electronics, sports equipment and game cards should be left at home. They often become a distraction on the bus and in the classroom. Thank you for your help.

Perfect Attendance Week

Our school will be participating in the annual Perfect Attendance Week for Lake County. This will be taking place October 26—30. We encourage all students to attend all week for a successful enrollment.



PTO Meeting

The PTO meeting will be held on Monday, October 5 at 3:45 p.m. in the Primary School library. Free child care is available.

Character Education Program

In Big Hollow Primary School good character counts. Not only do we want our students to grow academically, we want them to grow as individuals and citizens. Each month we will take time to place emphasis on the character counts program and highlight one of the positive character traits. During the month of October students will learn about the trait “Responsibility”. School staff will recognize and reward students with SMILE tickets when they see them displaying these traits in the classroom, lunchroom, hallways, bus and amongst their peers. Included on the back of the newsletter is a schedule of the themes we will highlight each month.

Big Hollow Recycling

In an effort to be more “eco-friendly” Big Hollow Schools are working with the community and Paper Retriever to collect magazines, newspaper, copy paper, etc. for recycling. Please no cardboard, glass, plastic or aluminum. The large green bins are located in the Elementary and Middle School parking lots. Students can also recycle juice pouches in the cafeteria.



Important Dates:

Friday, October 2

PTO Clothing Resale
4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
at Primary

Saturday, October 3

Clothing Resale
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Monday, October 5

Fire Safety Assemblies

PTO Meeting
3:45 p.m. at Primary Library

Monday, October 12

Columbus Day
No School

Wednesday, October 14

Market Day pick up
4:45 - 5:45 p.m.
at Middle School

Monday, October 19

School Board Meeting
7:00 p.m. at Middle School

October 30 - November 6

Scholastic Book Fair

CHARACTER EDUCATION
PROGRAM
AT BIG HOLLOW PRIMARY

Students Make Incredible Learning Environments! Students can earn a SMILE ticket for positive things they do at school. These can be things they do voluntarily or something they are asked to do. Here are the character education traits and the dates for celebrating by wearing the color on the last day of each month. Reminders will be included in the Friday newsletters.

October - **R**esponsibility/orange / Oct. 28

November - **E**ffort /yellow/ Nov. 30

December - **C**aring/red/ Dec. 18

January - **S**elf Control / blue/ Jan. 29

February - **P**ride /pink / Feb. 26

March - **E**nthusiasm / green/ Mar. 26

April - **C**onsideration / purple / Apr. 30

May - **T**rust / light blue / May 27

SMILE's earned will be displayed under our monthly merry-go-round animals in our front hallway. Weekly tickets are picked in each classroom to win a SMILE prize. On our celebration days at the end of each month, the three classrooms that will be the caretakers of our character cubs will be announced and five "Good Character" t-shirts will be awarded.

Please encourage R.E.S.P.E.C.T. throughout the year!