Culture Matters

"Napi" with our Board of Trustees who attended Bullshoe Elementary's noon board meeting. Thank you!



(Mrs. Shooter: Immersio: Leader)

Kindergarten class has been working hard on learning and mastering new ASLA images, we are almost ready to begin sentences. We are working hard on understanding learning about respect and what it means to be respectful.

1st grade class is working on songs in Blackfeet, as well as sign language.
The 1st graders are enjoying all the activities they get to do for the community. The first grade class loves using puppets and making Blackfeet focused videos to send to the Stamiksiitsiikin Elementary teachers.



Attendance Matters

(Mr. H: Leader)

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Enrolled</u>	<u> Attendance %</u>
Early K	52	77.85%
Kindergarten	160	77.56%
<u>1st Grade</u>	126	<u>80.57%</u>
Total	339	78.79%

November Home Visits

12

November Perfect Attendance

1st Grade

Arnold, Aiden P Cross Guns, Hazelee A Gobert, Rowel B Mad Plume, Kenisha Monroe, Myna E Seymour, Luke M Sinclair, Blake L Sinclair, Hartley L Tatsey, Brielle E Wells. Leo

<u>Kindergarten</u>

Bigback, Jameson C BigBeaver, Carson J BigBeaver, Rilynn R Bullshoe-Rides At The Door, Sahkooyii M Calf Boss Ribs, Teigan R CalfBossRibs, Brynlee K England, Cody R Madplume, Kenton Miller, Kade A Murray, Kayston R NoRunner, Joseph M Pethel, Tacoma Shooter, Adelaide I St. Goddard, Tylee J StrippedSquirrel, Maliahna R

Early K

BigBeaver, Jazzie M Bremner, Hollis C Kennedy, Leilani R Wagner, Alaina R

November Staff Attendance

Certified: 89% Classified: 82%

Staff Perfect Attendance

Marci Burd Louise Giebel Sheila Grady Brent Still Smoking Kourtney Vielle

Graduation Matters

(Marci Burd: First Grade Leader)

November was a very busy crazy but eventful month. The first graders were surprised with an Native American Author Mark Mindt. He is the author/illustrator of the Kota the Warrior book series. The kids loved him and his whole group presentation followed by a visit to every classroom. This was such an awesome opportunity for our youth to see him as an author and illustrator. Thanks to Mrs. Archuleta for setting that up for our kids.

This year we were able to attend the Cat/Griz pep rally which our students really enjoyed and had so much fun. They talked about it forever. Monte in the regalia was the highlight for them. The students were all gifted either a Griz or Cat fan made by our very own BHS student LaBraun Shooter. It was nice for them to go home with something.

We also had a really good turn out for our Princess and Pirate fundraiser. The kids had a blast and we had great compliments. This is something we look forward to doing every year. Also a huge shout out to the first grade teachers for putting in so much time for this event to take place. It was nice to see the kids all dressed up and having an evening of fun.

With November being Native American Month we as a first grade team really tried to incorporate even more language and culture. The students had a blast preparing for our annual powwow. The powwow was a huge hit and alot of family involvement which was good to see.

This month our theme was also families and my people. This gave us a great opportunity to learn more about our students' families and just a great opportunity to build those closer relationships.

We ended our month with a surprise visit from the real life Napi. Our students were so excited and had great conversations with him. They were also stoked about their books they got from him. We spent the month really getting into Napi stories and videos. Shout out to our librarian for providing us with all those stories.

We are looking forward to a new month and preparing for our Christmas program.











(Angie Pepion: Kindergarten Leader)

For the month of November, our kindergarten team got to take part in the CAT/GRIZ Brawl which was very exciting and fun for them. Classes were busy learning about Napi and focusing on Native American month doing various activities with students. Napi came to life and visited each classroom. We took part in and pulled together to hold a fundraiser to help support one of BullShoe Elementary students who is facing medical issues. Our students got to go on a field trip to cutbank and play at the park and watch a movie. For some of them it was their first time in a movie theater so that was a good treat for them.













(Susie Small/Kourtney Vielle: Early-K Leader)

News about Early K, we are doing very well in the Early Kindergarten program. This month we have had numerous things going on throughout our three classrooms, such as incorporating more Blackfeet language, learning more about what a pow-wow is and what it means to Native Americans.

We also just finished the first round of our alphabet and we will be going through 4 rounds throughout the whole year.

We've been working on letter names and spelling each of the student names so they are able to find the things they need in the classroom. On our very last days we got a visit from Napi the trickster himself and all the kids enjoyed dancing with him.

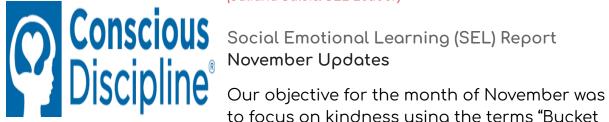
As the month has come to an end we had so much laughter and excited children along with very hard working four year old's and we look forward to seeing what December brings.











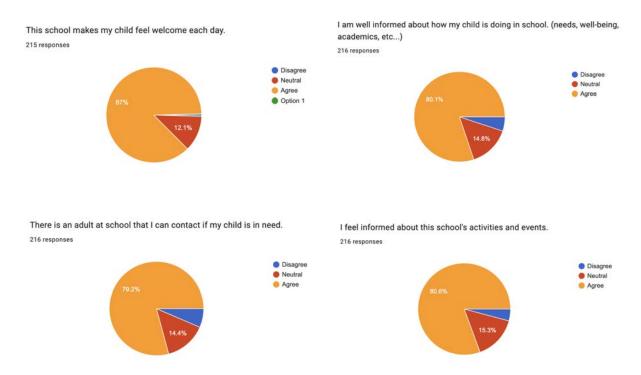
to focus on kindness using the terms "Bucket

filler" and "Bucket Dippers". We used role play activities with the students to

demonstrate how we are bucket fillers by being kind and bucket dippers if we are mean. One of the team members is continuing to teach the students Tapping on EFT (Emotional Freedom Technique) that teaches the students how to practice self-care and managing their emotions. The SLT presented during PD Wednesday focusing on Tapping, self awareness/self Regulation, co-regulation and being Trauma Sensitive. We acknowledge the holidays can be hard on some of our students who have experienced grief/loss so we will focus on these topics before the Christmas Break.

Safety Matters

At Bullshoe Elementary we are always trying to improve. During our Family Engagement (Family-Teacher) Conference, we had all the parent/guardians take a quick 4 question survey and here are our results:



We as a staff have reached out to the parents/guardians and given them our email addresses along with our plan and prep times so we can open our lines of communication up with our students' families.

WE CAN DO BETTER!!

