



Bertha Neal Elementary School

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Board Meeting Report: Monday, March 10th, 2025

Student Updates and Activities

- Class of the Week Every Friday
- PTAC Snack Sale: Every other Friday
- Office Helpers: Each week a class sends 1-2 students down to assist with announcements (started in January)
- Science Alive: 3/10
- Shiawassee Farm Bureau K-1 Poster Contest Submission Deadline: 3/12
- Career Day: 3/13
- Scholastic Book Fair: 3/17-3/21
- Literacy Night: 3/18
- End of 3rd Marking Period: 3/21
- Dollar Duck: 3/25
- Big Blue Blocks: 3/27
- Spring Break Begins: 3/28 (Half Day)

Staff Updates

- iCare Meeting Every Friday at 1:00 pm to Address Student Concerns and Interventions
- DAS Administrative Meetings Every Tuesday at 12:30 pm at the RAC
- Title I Meeting Every Friday at 9:00am
- Science of Reading for Special Area Teachers: 3/10
- Grade Level Meetings for K-1: 3/13
- Congratulations to Ms. Hatherill who is our very first staff member of the week! See image below. We will attempt weekly to finish the year and will decide if we wish to try this morale builder monthly or keep it weekly next year.
 - Here is what a staff member will get if they are announced during a week we have a staff member of the week:
 - Honorary Parking Spot titled Staff Member of the Week in which you will be able to park there all of the following week!
 - Amazon Gift Card OR Little Caesars Boxed Lunch with a Pop!
 - Shoutout via announcements and social media!

Building Updates

- Playground Equipment Removal: 3/10 and/or 3/11

Parent/Community Involvement

- PTAC Meeting: 3/11

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Staff Perception Data

Strengths:

- Staff loves working at this school
- Staff believes quality work is expected of them
- Awesome principal/great leadership
- Family atmosphere

Challenges:

- Morale of teachers is low
- Morale of support staff is low

Student Perception Data

Strengths:

- Students believe their teacher is a good teacher
- Students enjoy playing
- Students enjoy going to specials

Challenges:

- Student behavior
- Students want more recess/play time
- Students want better computers
- Students want an ice cream machine

Parent Perception Data (K-1)

Strengths:

- Parents respect the teachers
- Parents feel welcome at the school
- Parents respect the principal
- Communication

Challenges:

- Students do not show respect for other students
- Parents want more information on how well their child is progressing and a potential change in report cards/progress cards
- Parking lot

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Parent Perception Data (PK)

Strengths:

- Parents feel welcome at the school
- Parents respect the principal
- Parents respect the teachers
- Great communication about updates and events

Challenges:

- Students do not show respect for other students
- Parents want more information on how well their child is progressing and a potential change in report cards/progress cards
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Just Because:

MARCH IS READING MONTH

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2025

Our theme is "A Kid Has to Read!"

Please join us in participating in March is Reading Month. Teachers will be reading books to their students in their classroom. Once they have read 10 books, every child will receive a small container of playdough. When the teacher reads 20 books, your child will be able to select a book of their choice. We encourage you to read to your child or have them read to you at home and complete the BINGO board. Throughout the month of March, we will have class activities revolving around the Pigeon books by Mo Willems, mystery readers, a Literacy Night on March 18th, to name a few things as we celebrate all of the students hard work. To celebrate the culmination of March is Reading



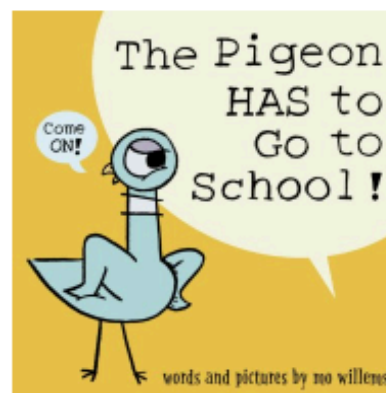
Month, we will have Big Blue Blocks on March 27th which is always a treat!

"Reading is to the mind, what exercise is to the body."



Prizes for Reading

- 10 Playdough
- 20 books—Book



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