



Bulldog Bulletin

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Classroom News

*Thursday, December 12- 4th and 5th Grade
Concert*

Friday, December 20-Early Dismissal at 1PM

December 21 -January 5-Christmas Break

Monday, January 6—Schools Reopen

PRE-K

The Pre-K students continue working on identifying all letters in their first and last name. Please have them write their name a couple of times each night. We are also working on rhyming words and syllables. While reading to your children stop and let them supply a word that rhymes with a word of your choice from the story. Also, point to various letters and have them identify the letter and the sound it makes. Have students clap out the number of syllables in certain words.

(De-cem-ber). This could be done while driving down the road.

It is very important to have your child count objects while pointing to them. Students need to be able to count from 0-30. They also should be able to count down from 10 to 0.

Ask your students about different strategies we have learned in order to help them if they get angry. They have learned many and they may also help them at home.

KINDERGARTEN

Kindergarten is just having a fabulous year. We are working hard on our reading skills. Students have learned so many new words so far, this year. We are proud of their hard work. In math, we are working hard learning how to solve story problems. Christmas break is coming up soon, we hope you all have a great break.

FIRST GRADE

We are so proud of the First Graders so far, this year! They are continuing to work hard each day. Please continue to read with your student each night. In math, we are learning how to skip count and add. We will be starting MAP testing again shortly. Make sure your student comes to school rest on those days!

SECOND GRADE

In reading, we are finishing up our research projects. Students will orally present their animal to the class! Our kiddos have had a blast researching about their animals, so we are excited to have them share what they've learned. In math, we have conquered addition and subtraction! We are moving on to learning about fractions. We will also learn about data and probability in the coming weeks. We are currently in social studies at this point in the 9 weeks. We are learning about famous Americans and holidays. Ask your child if they have a favorite President! Since it is the middle of the school year, we are doing MAP testing in December and we will

be doing PALs testing in January to see how much our students have grown this year. Please continue to check your child's Bulldog folder each night and read for 20 minutes! We appreciate all you do!

THIRD GRADE

Where did the time go? We are already plunging into December. Third graders are learning to summarize in fiction texts. They are also learning about telling time, finding elapsed time, and determining equivalent time periods. We will finish off the year learning about money and making change from \$5.00 or less. Students are continuing to learn about different civilizations such as Greece and Rome. We are currently in the middle of winter MAPS testing. Please continue to work with your child each night on their multiplication facts! It is so important that you practice with them to help build their knowledge and repetition of these skills! Please continue to partner with us through the remaining days until winter break! Please encourage your third-grade student to finish off the second quarter on a positive note! We are almost there!!

FOURTH GRADE

The fourth-grade students are getting excited for the field trip to Jamestown on Monday, December 9th. Please remember to watch the weather forecast and dress appropriately. In math, students are beginning work with fractions. We are currently comparing and ordering fractions. Please continue to practice multiplication facts with your child nightly. This is an important skill that your child needs to have mastered. Students should be reading nightly for at least 20 minutes. While your child is reading, please ask them to tell you what they have read about. If they are reading aloud to you, please stop them at different parts and ask them questions about what they are reading. This will help greatly with comprehension.

FIFTH GRADE

We continue to review material from previous grades and to learn new skills. In reading, we have reviewed how fiction and nonfiction are structured and how to use that knowledge to understand what we are reading. In math, we have reviewed adding, subtracting, multiplying, and dividing whole and decimal numbers and have started reviewing fractions. (A lot of students are struggling with knowing their basic math facts (+ - x ÷ numbers 0-10), so please find a set of flash cards or a review game to practice these until they are automatic.) In science, we have reviewed the Solar System and are reviewing information specific to Earth. In social studies, we have reviewed the Revolutionary War and are starting to learn how our country was started. In Writing, we are reviewing our grammar and writing skills and using those skills to write stories and essays.

Here are some quick tips for success:

- make sure you do your assignments to the best of your ability and turn them in on time,
- when you are struggling with something, ask for help,
- make sure you are reading at least 20 minutes each day,
- make sure you are studying at least ten minutes each day,
- review your grades on Infinite Campus regularly, and
- make sure you are turning off your devices at least an hour before bedtime and getting a minimum of eight hours of sleep each night.

[Report Card Link Annual School Quality Report :](#)

<http://schoolquality.virginia.gov/schools/brookneal-elementary#fndtn-desktopTabs-accountability>



MUSIC NEWS:

As the Christmas holidays approach, we are getting into the spirit here at BES! The 4th and 5th graders are rehearsing for a performance entitled "Jingle Bell Jukebox," a 1950s-style mini-musical. We hope you can join us as they perform on Thursday, December 12, 2019 at 6pm in the BES gym! This show will make you ready to go home and celebrate!



There are past and present BES shirts available for purchase in the office.

\$5.00-\$10.00

Campbell County Public Schools
FAMILY LITERACY NIGHT

Grammar Greetings

HELPING YOUR CHILD "MASTER THE MECHANICS OF GRAMMAR"

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2019

GRADES 3-5

RUSTBURG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
25 WEBB'S WAY DRIVE
RUSTBURG, VA 24588

GRAB AND GO DINNER
FREE BOOKS AND MATERIALS
FOR ALL STUDENTS

FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE WE ARE OFFERING
TWO SESSIONS(CHOOSE ONE): 5:00-6:00 P.M.
OR 6:00-7:00 P.M.

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Please be sure to RSVP if you plan to attend this event!

COMPLETE AND RETURN THE FORM TO YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL
BY WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2019



The Polar Express

Family Dinner Event

Thursday, December 19, 2019

5PM-7PM



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Remember

If schools open 2 hours late, there is no breakfast served. Eat at home.



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*Merry Christmas to all our
Families at BES
Have a safe and happy New
Year.*

Morning Procedures

Students who are car riders and arrive to BES **before 8:10AM** must be let out in the car rider's line behind the school at the cafeteria entrance. If students are walkers, they need not arrive at BES **before 7:40 AM**. Should you have any questions, please contact Mr. Bennett or Mrs. Gunter



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