

Byesville Elementary Newsletter

December 2023



Happy holidays to you and yours!

We have had a wonderful start to our 2023-2024 school year thus far and looking forward to a great rest of the school year.

Thanks to all parents, families, staff and community members for your continued support.

WE wish you a blessed Christmas season and every happiness in the New Year.

Calendar of Events

December 2nd – First Grade Christmas Caroling, Byesville Christmas Parade

December 4th – January 8th – Principal's IXL Winter Challenge

December 1st – 14th – Byesville Rotary Canned Food Drive

December 12th – Fall Picture Retakes

December 14th – Jump Rope presentation for Students only

December 15th – 2nd Grade Christmas Party

December 19th – Two Hour Early Dismissal, End of 2nd 9 weeks

December 20th – Jan. 2nd – NO SCHOOL – Christmas Break

December 21st – First Day of Winter/Winter Solstice

January 3rd – NO SCHOOL – Staff Professional Development

January 4th – Classes Resume

January 5th – 2 hr Early Dismissal – Report Cards Out

Special Calendar Notes

Please note that Christmas Break ends on January 2nd. However, there is NO SCHOOL On January 3rd for students due to a teacher inservice. Classes will resume on January 4th. Also, report cards go home on January 5th so that will be a two hour early Dismissal per the school calendar. Byesville will dismiss at 12:15 pm on January 5th.

December Birthdays

Dec. 1 – Spencer Stillion

Dec. 5 – Kelsey Dingus

Dec. 6 – Grayson Andrews

Dec. 8 – Aria Harper

Dec. 12 – Killian McManaway

Dec. 13 – Gracie Peirce

Dec. 16 – Henley Peters

Dec. 17 – Claire Harding & Evan Riehle

Dec. 19 – Sadie DeVore

Dec. 22 – Zaiden Hill

Dec. 27 – Jasen Robinson & Braxton Armstrong

Dec. 28 – Bria Rice



December 25th...
Merry Christmas!!



Byesville Elementary will be participating in a Holiday Canned Food Drive in conjunction with the Byesville Rotary.

- The drive begins Friday, December 1st.
- All foods collected will benefit families in our community
- Only canned and non-perishable foods will be accepted. (Please check expiration dates)
- The last day to bring cans is Thursday, December 14th
- The class that collects the most cans will receive an ice cream party.

Student Spotlight

Congratulations to the following 2nd graders for passing REFLEX!

Mrs. Gregg's Class

Addition/Subtraction – Trinity Green, Brynn Harvey, Nora Tolliver, Emma Zifzal

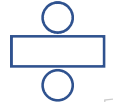
Mrs. Turachak's Class

Addition/Subtraction – Ryan Harper, Maddie Carpenter, Jaxson Stines

Mrs. Stevens' Class

Addition/Subtraction – Mady Armstrong, Edward Bova, Madison Hall, Maxton Holdren, Carter Starr

Multiplication/Division – Maxton Holdren



12 Days of Christmas Fun Days!

Monday, Dec. 4th – Ugly Sweater/Christmas Shirt Day

* Wear your Ugliest or Funniest Christmas Shirt or Sweater

Tuesday, Dec. 5th – Candy Cane Day

* Wear red and white

Wednesday, Dec. 6th – Favorite Flannel/Lumberjack

* Wear your flannel for a cozy day of learning

Thursday, Dec. 7th – White Christmas/Blizzard Day

* It's a white out! Cross our fingers for a white Christmas!

Friday, Dec. 8th – Holiday Lights/Colt Spirit

* Shine Bright or Wear your Orange, Brown & White)

Monday, Dec. 11th – Santa's Holiday Helpers

* Dress as your favorite helper like an Elf or Reindeer

Tuesday, Dec. 12th – The Grinch Day

* Wear Green

Wednesday, Dec. 13th – Tree Topper

* Wear your favorite Holiday Hat or Headband

Thursday, Dec. 14th – Christmas Vacation

* Wear your best vacation outfit (Hawaiian Day)

Friday, Dec. 15th – Jingle Bell Rock

* Rock your Orange, Brown and White

Monday, Dec. 18th – Whoville Day

* Crazy Hair or Holiday Socks

Tuesday, Dec. 19th – Long Winters Nap

* Wear your cozy Holiday Pajamas



Let's get into the
Christmas Spirit !!



BRRRR.. it's
COLD OUTSIDE!

Parents, please
make sure your child
is dressed
appropriately for the
weather. We try to
go outside for recess
as much as possible
if the temperature is
32 degrees or
above.

Thank You!

(If your child is in need of
coats, hats and/or
gloves, please call the
school at 740-685-3113.



Fundraiser News

Congratulations to the students of Byesville Elementary and those who supported them through the Otis Spunkmeyer Cookie Dough Fundraiser!

Our Students sold a whopping \$17,747.00 of products. Great job!!

Students who earned prizes get to enjoy a Dog Themed Cookie from Pure Love Bakery, a trip to McDonalds for a Happy Meal, ice cream from Mel's Drive In and get to attend a Live Dog Agility Show . Since the students sold more than \$15,000, MRS. HARE, OUR PRINCIPAL, HAS TO DRESS UP LIKE A DOG!

Ryder Wheeler was our Top Seller, selling \$1244.50 in products. 2nd place was Spencer Mapel, 3rd Dylon Timberlake, 4th Tucker Yerian and 5th Mauri Wolverton. Congratulations kiddos!!



Pictured L-R: Spencer Mapel, Ryder Wheeler, Tucker Yerian & Dylon Timberlake



SCHOOL STORE

Don't forget to visit the School Store to do your Christmas Shopping!

As you begin your Christmas Shopping, remember to support the students here at Byesville by shopping on-line at the participating stores for our School Store Fundraiser.

This safe and easy fundraiser is 100% online so there is no face-to-face selling, collecting money, or delivering products. You can shop the Family Book Store or other stores such as Walmart, Kohl's, Disney, Best Buy, Old Navy, Croc and more!

Please help now. It really will make a difference. Show our valued teachers and students your support.

Go to www.schoolstore.com, search for Byesville Elementary and start shopping!

What's the Winter Solstice?

Brr! For people in the Northern Hemisphere (above the Equator, like the United States), winter is a season of cold, dark days—and if you're lucky, lots of snow to sled on!

The winter solstice marks the exact moment when half of Earth is tilted the farthest away from the sun. It usually happens on December 21 or 22, at the exact same second around the world. This year the winter solstice for the Northern Hemisphere occurs on Thursday, December 21, 2023, 10:27 PM EST.

Because less sunlight reaches Earth, the winter solstice is also the day of the year with the least amount of daytime, known as the shortest day of the year. But the good news is that every day after the winter solstice will be a little longer, until we reach the day with the most hours of daylight called the summer solstice. It usually occurs between June 20 and June 22.

Students of the Month



November Students of the Month were recognized during our First Friday Fanfare on Dec. 1st. Students receiving honored were:
Bottom L-R: Kg - Braxton Armstrong, Grayson Carte, Skylar Geese
1st Grade – Camden Starr, Harper Biggs, Brendan Black
2nd Grade – Andrew Clark, Ryan Harper, Brynn Harvey, Carter Starr

Students received a t-shirt and gift certificates from local businesses.

Congratulations kiddos!!

Woohoo!!



Second Grade Donates Class Decorated Tree

Students in the Second Grade hand painted ornaments and decorated a tree to be displayed on the Byesville Village Square. Wooden ornaments, donated by the family of Aubreyanna Meckley, were painted in “Colt Colors” in the classroom and adorned with an “M”, were hung on the tree. The tree is proudly displayed in the gazebo as the featured tree this season. You can check it out on the square.

Merry Christmas Colt Country!



Just For FUN!!

This is a list of December daily holidays and observances. Here are at least thirty reasons to celebrate this month. ENJOY!!

- December 1: Rosa Parks Day, National Christmas Lights Day
- December 2: National Fritter Day
- December 3: Advent Begins, Make a Gift Day
- December 4: Santa's List Day, National Cookie Day
- December 5: Bathtub Party Day, Walt Disney Day, International Volunteer Day
- December 6: St. Nicholas Day, Mitten Tree day
- December 7: National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, Letter Writing Day, National Cotton Candy Day, Chanukah Begins
- December 8: National Brownie Day
- December 9: Christmas Card Day, National Pastry Day
- December 10: Nobel Prize Day, International Children's Day
- December 11: National Noodle Ring Day, Worldwide Candle Lighting Day
- December 12: National Poinsettia Day, Gingerbread Decorating Day
- December 13: National Violin Day, Ice Cream Day, National Cocoa Day
- December 14: Roast Chestnuts Day, International Monkey Day
- December 15: National Lemon Cupcake Day, Bill of Rights Day
- December 16: National Chocolate Covered Anything Day, National Ugly Sweater Day
- December 17: National Maple Syrup Day, Wright Brother's Day
- December 18: Bake Cookies Day, National Twin Day
- December 19: National Oatmeal Muffin Day, Look for an Evergreen Day
- December 20: Go Caroling Day
- December 21: First Day of Winter/Winter Solstice, Crossword Puzzle Day, Look on the Bright Side Day, Don't Make Your Bed Day
- December 22: National Date Nut Bread Day, National Cookie Exchange Day
- December 23: National Movie Marathon Day, National Roots Day
- December 24: Christmas Eve, National Eggnog Day, Last-Minute Shopper's Day
- December 25: Christmas Day, National Pumpkin Pie Day
- December 26: Boxing Day, National Candy Cane Day, Kwanzaa- December 26 to January 1, 2024
- December 27: National Fruitcake Day, Make Cut-Out Snowflakes Day
- December 28: National Card Playing Day, National Call a Friend Day
- December 29: Pepper Pot Day, Still Need To Do Day
- December 30: National Bacon Day, National Resolution Planning Day
- December 31: New Year's Eve, Make Up Your Mind Day, Unlucky Day





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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
27	28	29	30	1
4 B) Cocoa Cherry Bar Fruit/ Juice/ Milk L) Mini Corn Dogs Cauliflower Pineapples Milk	5 B) Sausage Pancake Wrap Fruit/ Juice/ Milk L) Chicken Nuggets w/Roll Mashed Potatoes Corn Applesauce Cup Milk	6 B) Banana Bread Fruit/ Juice/ Milk L) Cheeseburger Curly Fries Carrots w/ Ranch Cup Peach Cup Milk	7 B) Breakfast Pizza Fruit/ Juice/ Milk L) Taco in a Bag Bean Dip & Fresh Veggie Peach Cup Milk	8 B) Muffin Fruit/Juice/ Milk L) Stuffed Crust Pizza Peas Mandarin Oranges Milk
11 B) Cereal Fruit/ Juice/ Milk L) Chicken Quesadilla Garbanzo Beans Broccoli Pear Cup Milk	12 B) Breakfast Burrito Fruit/ Juice/ Milk L) Pancakes Sausage Links & Hashbrown Applesauce Cup Milk	13 B) Strawberry Bagel Fruit/ Juice/ Milk L) Chicken Patty Cauliflower w/ Cheese Mandarin Oranges Milk	14 B) Breakfast Bar Fruit/ Juice/ Milk L) Hot Ham Slice Cheesy Potatoes Appleslices Cookie Milk	15 B) Super Donut Fruit/ Juice/ Milk L) Pepperoni Pizza Green Beans Pineapples Milk
18 B) Waffle Fruit/ Juice/ Milk L) Hot Dog Tater Tots Baked Beans Peach Cup Milk	19 B) Yogurt & Grahams Fruit/ Juice/ Milk L) Chicken Strips Emoji Potatoes Broccoli w/ Cheese Applesauce Milk	20 No School Christmas Break	21 No School Christmas Break	22 No School Christmas Break
25 No School Christmas Break	26 No School Christmas Break	27 No School Christmas Break	28 No School Christmas Break	29 No School Christmas Break

News

All PreK- Grade 8 Meals are Free for the 2023-2024 School Year.

High School Students:
Breakfast-\$1.00 Paid
Free- Reduced
&
Lunch-\$3.00 Paid
Free- Reduced

MMS and MHS offer a hot & cold breakfast bar
Featuring numerous items each morning!

*For a convenient way to add money to your child's account please visit:
www.payforit.net

You will need your child's 9 digit student ID.

For questions please call the Kitchen Office at
740-685-8365 EXT. 3016

Or Email:
katie.finley@rollinghills.k12.oh.us

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

** Menus are Subject to change due to supply. **