



## Mark Your Calendar

- **NO SCHOOL** Wednesday - Friday, Nov 24 - 26, for the Thanksgiving Holiday.
- **NO SCHOOL** Monday, Nov 29, for a Staff Collaboration Day.
- **BCO meeting** is Tuesday, Dec 7, 7:00 pm, in the Library.
- **NO SCHOOL** for Winter Break Dec 20 - 31.
- **NO SCHOOL** Monday, Jan 3 for a Teacher Work Day.



### *Note from the Editor*

The Bennett Newsletter is YOUR newsletter! If you have an item you would like to see included, put it in the newsletter box in the office before Wednesday morning of the week you would like the item to appear or e-mail Sylvia Godsey: [sgodsey@psdschools.org](mailto:sgodsey@psdschools.org)

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## Breathe Easy Anti-Idling Campaign

Employees, parents, teachers and community members are encouraged to stop unnecessary idling, which impacts the health of children and adults, pollutes our air, impacts our visibility, wastes fuel, causes engine wear and tear and costs us money.

To learn more about the Breathe Easy anti-idling campaign and what you can do to make a difference, visit the City of Fort Collins website at <http://fcgov.com/breatheeasy>

### 5 Easy Ways to Stop Idling and Breathe Easy

- Turn off your ignition if you're waiting more than 30 seconds.
- Stop idling while the train is passing.
- Stop idling at school drop-off zones.
- Park and go inside instead of using the drive-thru lane.
- Warm up your engine by driving slowly, not by idling.

## Rotary Read

Rotary Read Week at Bennett is November 8-14. Forms came home in Thursday Folders; all forms are due by November 19. Students who turn in forms get a pencil and are entered into a drawing for a free book!

### What to Read?

Every classroom visits the library once a week for checkout; kindergartners check out one book, older grades check out 2 or more depending on their grade; children also have other opportunities to visit the library. We encourage children to read AR (Accelerated Reader) books. All students should know their AR reading level determined by the STAR test which is given quarterly. AR books in the Bennett library are identified by the colored tape on the spine and a label with the level and quiz number inside the front cover.

Ask your child what books they checked out this week - and remind them to be sure the books are in their backpack on library day!

**H**appy  
**T**hanksgiving!

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**There will be no newsletter next week.**

THIS PAGE WILL APPEAR EACH WEEK  
IT WILL HAVE SPECIFIC NEWS OR INFORMATION ABOUT THE EDUCATIONAL DAY AT OUR SCHOOL.  
PLEASE LOOK FOR IT!

## REMINDERS

### School Hours

8:50 am - 3:28 pm

### Absence Line

Remember to call in on our absence line whenever your student will not be in school. The number is 488-4751.

### Office Number

The Bennett School Office telephone number is 970 488-4750.

### Second Newsletters

If you need to have two newsletters come to your family, please make sure we have both email addresses. If you request paper copies, one will be sent home with your oldest child. The second newsletter will be mailed on Wednesday afternoon in the self-addressed, stamped envelope you provide, or ask us to email the newsletter.

### Visitors and Volunteers

- Please park in the lot on the east side of the school. Do not park in front of the school.
- You must wear the PSD lanyard identifying you as a volunteer whenever you are in the building.
- Don't forget to record your hours in the Volunteer Book in the office workroom.

### Traffic

Mornings and afternoons are very heavy traffic times in front of our school. Please help keep our students safe by remembering :

- ◆ Pick up and drop off students on the east side of the school in the parking lot.
- ◆ Make no U-turns on Bennett Road.
- ◆ Avoid parking in the pick-up lane. Park in the parking spaces in the east lot if you need to come into the school.
- ◆ Drive slowly!
- ◆ If you walk across the parking lot to get your child please meet them at the north end of the pick-up area.



Our next BCO meeting will be Tuesday, December 7th, at 7:00 pm.

### And Another Thank You

Foot of the Rockies was not acknowledged last week in the newsletter as having supported/donated to the Stampede - and we certainly want to say Thank You for their support!

### Book Fair a Great Success!!

Thank you all so much for your support of the Scholastic Book Fair!

Our gross sales were \$8776.15 (\$8252.78 before tax). We were able to take a total of \$3,572.91 in books (that's 405 books!) and also \$80.08 in cash from the profits for the library. Through the Scholastic rewards system the library also earned \$500 to spend on Scholastic products.

An extra special thank you goes to all the volunteers who worked to make the Book Fair happen. You're the best!



*Please join us  
for a  
musical start to  
the holiday season!*



Bennett Pride Choir Winter Concert  
Thursday, December 9

6:30 pm  
Bennett Gym

School Performance  
Friday, December 10

2:00 pm  
Bennett Gym



### Learning Express Fundraiser

Bennett Parents, don't forget that our discounted time at Learning Express ends this Friday the 19th! If you have misplaced your voucher there are MANY extras in the office. Remember, you get 10% off and Bennett receives 10%.

Our school is very fortunate to have our discounted/fundraising week close to the holiday season. So, enjoy supporting Bennett, a local store full of physically and academically stimulating products, and the pleasure the gift will give to the recipient! Any questions, please contact Jill Lowry at [thelowrys@hotmail.com](mailto:thelowrys@hotmail.com) or 970-669-1404. Happy shopping!



Just a reminder: K-1st grade parents, if you have not picked up your dishes from the wonderful luncheon that you contributed to, please do so ASAP. They are waiting for you in the Teacher's Lounge! Thanks!

### Bundle Up!

Please help your child dress appropriately for the colder weather. All children have a 20 minute recess outside at lunchtime unless it is extremely cold (below 15° or raining. We strongly recommend waterproof boots on snowy days (your child is welcome to bring another pair of shoes to wear indoors). If your child is in need of outerwear for winter, please let us know so we can suggest resources for you.

So you know your child had a hat, scarf, mittens, coat - but s/he can't find them. Our lost and found bins are in the Flex room (lunch room).





### Give PSD Your Email— Stay Informed!

You will receive updates on:

- Emergency/School Closure Information
- District Changes Impacting Your Child
- District News and Accomplishments
- Board of Education Action
- Monthly E-newsletter

Sign-up now at [www.psdschools.org](http://www.psdschools.org) > E-mail Alert Sign-up

### Follow PSD on Facebook and Twitter!

Sign up to follow PSD on Facebook and Twitter. Links are now located at the top of the new PSD home page at [www.psdschools.org](http://www.psdschools.org). Check it out!

### PSD to Offer Computer Access at Walmart

You can now access PSD information at a computer in the Walmart SuperCenter, 1250 E. Magnolia, Fort Collins. The PSD computer, which is available during regular Walmart business hours, gives you access to the PSD website that includes the latest district news and events, as well as information about school registration, bussing, calendars and district policies. You also have access to specific information about your child through the Parent Portal on the PSD website.

Please know that this computer does not have access to outside email or Internet sites beyond the PSD website. PSD thanks the Walmart SuperCenter for partnering with the district on this project.



## What's for Breakfast?



## What's for Lunch?



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
22 Tony's Breakfast Sausage Pizza	23 Homestyle Biscuit, Egg and Cheese Breakfast Sandwich	24 NO SCHOOL	25 NO SCHOOL	26 NO SCHOOL
29 NO SCHOOL	30 Breakfast Sandwich (English Muffin with an Egg Patty, Sausage Patty, & a Slice of Cheese)			
<b>Breakfast Includes:</b> Choice of Cereal, Muffin or Hot Entrée, Assorted Fruit/Juice, Milk				
22 • Homemade Beef & Bean Burrito • Max Filled Cheese Sticks with Pizza Sauce • Uncrustable PB & J Green Beans Leafy Greens Baby Carrots & Cucumbers Apples Diced Pears	23 • Chicken Patty Sandwich • Sloppy Joe on Wheat Bun • Turkey & Cheese Deli Steamed Broccoli Leafy Greens Baby Carrots & Celery Sticks Grapes Diced Peaches	24 NO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	25 NO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	26 NO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
29 NO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	30 • Bean & Cheese Burrito • Chicken Nuggets • Uncrustable PB & J Mashed Potatoes and Gravy Leafy Greens Baby Carrots & Celery Sticks Oranges Diced Pears			
<b>Lunch Includes:</b> Choice of Entrée, Hot Vegetable, Fresh Fruit & Veggie Bar, Choice of Milk				
<b>YELLOW DAY</b>	<b>BLUE DAY</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL</b>
<b>NO SCHOOL</b>	<b>RED DAY</b>	<b>YELLOW DAY</b>	<b>BLUE DAY</b>	<b>RED DAY</b>

PLEASE NOTE: POUDDRE SCHOOL DISTRICT DOES NOT ENDORSE OR TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROGRAMS OF ACTIVITIES SPONSORED BY OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

**CATS** Poudre High School Music and Theatre Departments present a fresh production of Andrew Lloyd Webber's Broadway smash musical *Cats*, with the updated production featuring recent technology, current cultural trends and a fresh generation of talent. *Cats* is the Andrew Lloyd Webber compilation and adaptation of T.S. Eliot's poetry *Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats*. The story takes us into the world of cats who meet once a year to choose one cat who will receive a new life. Each musical number features a cat who contends to be the chosen one. Director Dulcie Willis uses reality TV talent shows as inspiration, bringing a new perspective to Eliot's poetry and Lloyd Webber's famous music. Poudre's production features over one hundred talented students on stage, backstage and in the orchestra pit. *Cats* shows November 18, 19, 20 at 7:00 pm with a 1:00 pm Saturday matinee in the Poudre High School Auditorium, 201 Impala Drive, Fort Collins. Tickets are \$11 for adults, \$9 for students and seniors, and \$7 for children 12 and under. All tickets to the matinee are \$7. For tickets, order online using a major credit card at [www.poudretheatre.org](http://www.poudretheatre.org). For cash purchases, tickets are sold the week of the show during the school lunch hour, and remaining tickets are sold at the door, one hour prior to curtain. Call 488-6212 for more information.

**Tall Story** Fossil Ridge High School Theatre Department proudly presents *Tall Story*, a Comedy in 3 Acts, by Howard Lindsay and Russel Crouse, on Friday and Saturday, November 19 and 20, at 7:00 pm in the Fossil Ridge Performing Arts Center. \$8.00 adults/\$6.00 students/seniors/children; sorry, no passes. For information, contact Cindy Vanderheiden, Theatre Director, at 488-6391 or [cylvander@psdschools.org](mailto:cylvander@psdschools.org)

**The Lincoln Center Hall of Gifts at the Hilton** The Lincoln Center Support League presents this wonderful holiday gift show, with more than 50 artisans and vendors on Friday, November 19 12-5 pm; Saturday, November 20, 10 am - 6 pm; and Sunday, November 21, 10 am -5 pm at the Hilton Fort Collins, 425 W. Prospect. The Hall of Gifts features handcrafted items created by local artisans including jewelry, clothing, glasswork, pottery, photography, food items, holiday items, and much more. Stop by and get your shopping done before the holiday rush. Door prizes are given away each day, and entry is only \$3 for Adults and \$1 for kids under 12. Visit [www.LCtix.com](http://www.LCtix.com) for more information.

**Suicide Resource Center Open House** will be Saturday, November 20, 11:00 am - 2:00 pm located in the United Way building at 315 E. 7th Street, Loveland. come meet the new Executive Director and Program Assistant and join us for light appetizers and drinks to celebrate the new grants awarded to the Suicide Resource Center. If you are unable to attend and want additional information on upcoming events, monthly newsletters, group reminders, etc. please call or email. Marisa Martinez, R.A.P.P. Program Coordinator/Program Assistant, Suicide Resource Center Phone, 970-635-9301, [www.suicideresourcecenter.org](http://www.suicideresourcecenter.org)

**34th Annual Stove Prairie Winter Festival!** Saturday, December 4, 2010, 10 am - 4 pm at the historic Stove Prairie Elementary School, 3891 Stove Prairie Road, Bellvue, CO. Do your holiday shopping with over 50 fabulous local artists and vendors selling their wares! Highlights include: toys, jewelry, pottery, ornaments, pasta, coffee, stained glass, fleece and woolens, fresh cut native Christmas trees and wreaths, and much more. Enter to win a beautiful handmade quilt for only \$1.00/ chance, enjoy the large silent auction and bake sale, and feast upon homemade chili and burgers, along with catering from Texas Road House. You might even catch a glimpse of Santa himself! Admission and parking are FREE! Information: (970) 484-1233, or [www.psdschools.org/schools/stoveprairie/](http://www.psdschools.org/schools/stoveprairie/)

## To Your Health

### Keep Moving!

Part of joy of the holiday season is all the tasty treats and rich feasts we enjoy with family and friends. One way to counter all those extra calories is to increase your activity. Walk, hike, bike, ski, skate, snowshoe, rollerblade, march around the mall or stroll around the block - anything that gets you off the sofa is a good thing!

