

Blackwell Elementary News



PTSA Thank You for Mini Grants

This winter the PTSA offered competitive grants to staff members. Many staff members took advantage of this opportunity to request additional supports and resources for our students and school. Grants were awarded to purchase curriculum resources, library resources, field trip experiences, school infrastructure and PE resources. These grants were made possible through the funds raised through our fall fun run. On behalf of our students and staff, we thank the PTSA for providing these opportunities for our students.

Thank you for your support of the Bingo Raffle Baskets this year. Many of our parents contributed time and money to our classroom baskets. Thank you to the classroom parent volunteers for creating, promoting, and assembling these great baskets. Proceeds from the raffle will be used for future PTSA mini grant possibilities.



Parent Input Form for 2017-18

Look for the *Reserve a Place* form to come home later this month. Please be sure to return it and let us know if your student is returning next year. Staff will soon begin the initial planning for the 2017-18 school year. Parents have an opportunity to share their input on the best educational setting for their child by completing a Parent Input Form. These forms can be found on our website beginning April 10th and must be returned by Friday, April 21st, for the input to be considered for next year. The due date is firm since planning will start in May.



Blackwell Parking Safety

In cooperation with a video production class at Eastlake high school, former student Ryan Angliss and Mr. Power worked together to create a short instructional video detailing the best practices during drop off and pick up for our drivers and walkers. This video is posted on our [Blackwell website](#) and on [Youtube](#). Please take a few moments to watch this video. Thank you to all our drivers and walkers for doing your part to make Blackwell safe during drop off and pick up times. With regularly over 80 cars moving through our parking lot each morning and afternoon, your patience and safe habits are appreciated.



PTSA Science Fair!

The Blackwell Science Fair will be held April 20th. Registration forms are due tomorrow, March 16th and can be found in the office or by clicking [here](#). Don't miss out on the fun!



Calendar

- March 17 - St. Patrick's Day - Wear your green!
- March 22 - Full School Day (no 1.5 hour Early release)
- March 23 - 3rd Grade Music Performance - 6:00PM
- March 23 - 4th Grade Music Performance - 7:00PM (Note: this was incorrectly listed as 3/24 in the last newsletter!)
- April 3-7 - No School - Spring Break
- April 10 - 21 Parent Input Form available on website
- April 20 - PTSA Science Fair
- April 24 - Java with Jim - 9:05 AM
- April 27 - PTSA General Membership Meeting - 9:00 AM

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