



# Busy BEES Newsletter

September 13, 2016

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We have had such a great start to the new school year. The **B**lack **E**arth **E**lementary **S**tudents (BEES) have been busy learning new classroom routines and practicing being Responsible, Respectful and Safe. The students were visited by Mighty Minds Superheroes and the students showed off their superhero poses.



The students have also been receiving "Gotcha Tickets" over the past week. The tickets are turned in to the office and two individuals per grade level are awarded prizes every Friday. Also, every 25 tickets collected equals one apple on the apple tree. So far we have picked 9 apples off of the apple tree and placed them in the basket. When the basket is full, we will have a special school-wide activity.

Throughout the next few weeks we will be focusing on student GREATNESS. Students will be asked to look for GREATNESS in themselves, other students and adults. Besides overall GREATNESS, students will be focusing on individual characteristics that make a person GREAT such as helpfulness, creativity, patience and many more. Be sure to ask your child to share their GREATNESS with you!

## Upcoming Dates of Importance:

September 14: Early Release

September 23: Picture Retake Day

September 26: Magazine Sale Kick-off

September 27: WHPTO Vanguard Clothing Orders Due

September 30: Deadline #1 for Magazine Sales

## Reminders



### Student Drop-off and Pick-up:

Please drive safely and slowly when driving in front of the school during morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up. Many students and parents are crossing the street during this time and we want everyone to get to and from school safely.

Also, please keep in mind that drop-off of students should be between 7:25 AM and 7:45 AM. There are no staff on duty before 7:25 AM. Students will be unsupervised before this time.

The students should be at school by 7:45 AM. If students arrive to school after 7:45 AM, they will be considered tardy and parents will need to sign in their students in the office. It is important that students arrive at school on time. Arriving to school on time gives the students time to prepare for their day and there is less anxiety for the student. Establishing consistent morning routines helps aide in this process.



### Cold Lunch:

Just a reminder that microwave use is limited to 45 seconds per student to ensure every student has enough time to eat lunch. Please be sure that microwaveable food sent in student lunches can be warmed in that amount of time.



### Birthday Party Invitations:

Please remember that Birthday Party Invitations can not be sent home with students during the school day even if every student in the class is invited. The WHPTO should be sending home a directory. Please use this directory and mail out invitations from your home.



### Black Earth Elementary Monthly Newsletters:

A monthly newsletter with school-wide updates will be sent home at the beginning of each month. They will be available in paper copy and sent home in student take home folders. They will also be available on the Black Earth Elementary page of the Wisconsin Heights School District website.