

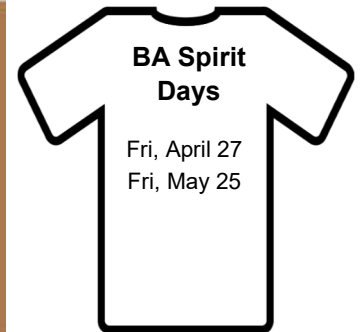
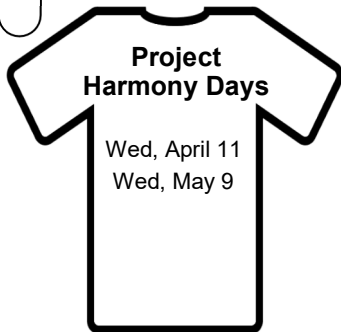


South Western School District

Baresville Messenger

Phone: (717) 633-4870

April/May Newsletter



Dear Baresville Parents/Guardians:

Wow! How quickly the year is slipping by! It's hard to believe that the last trimester of the 2017-2018 school year has just begun! We ask that you continue to make school attendance a priority. Being in school every day means that your child won't miss out on learning. Please try to schedule appointments and family trips outside of school hours. If your child asks to stay home 'just because,' remind him or her that they will miss (physical education class, art, math, or reading group). Explain to your child that they can be absent only if they are sick or if there is a family emergency.

The month of April means PSSA testing for the learners in 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade. The learners in grades 3-5 will take the **English Language Arts** part of the PSSAs from **April 10-12** and the **Math** part from **April 17-18**. Learners in grade 4 will take the **Science** PSSA **April 24-25**.

There are a few things that your child can do during the dates of the test to help him/her be successful:

- Get plenty of rest
- Eat a nutritious breakfast
- Be on time to school
- Always do his/her BEST!

Please remember to keep meaningful conversations going forward with your child about their school day. Research shows that if parents are supporting their child's education at home, there is a high probability that the child will experience success at school. Some questions that you could use to get a better understanding of what your child is doing at school are:

- *What was the coolest thing that happened in school today? What wasn't so cool?*
- *What was the most creative thing you did today?*
- *How were you kind or helpful today?*
- *How was someone kind or helpful to you?*

It is so easy for all of us to get "spring fever" when it comes to this time of year. Spring is a very critical time in our school year. Please continue to take some time each day to read and write with your child or just be outside spending quality time with them. We still have two months of school left to go. Let's work together to make every moment count!

Best wishes for a WARM and SUNNY spring!

Sincerely,

Eric Klansek

"The best way to cheer yourself up is try to cheer somebody else up!"

- Mark Twain -

SPRING PTA NEWS!

Thank You!

Thank you to all the parents who volunteered their time to help with the Spring Book Fair. We couldn't have done it without you! And thank you to all the families who attended the Book Fair. Because of your generous support we were able to earn Scholastic Dollars for our Library to purchase books!

Upcoming Events:

April 10th – PTA Meeting in the Library. 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM.

April 20th – Paint Night – Music Department Fundraiser, 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM {Pre-registration/payment required}

May 4th – Race For Education, 8:00 AM – 2:30 PM

May 12th – York Revolution Game, 6:30 PM {Must purchase pre-sold tickets}

May 8th – PTA Meeting in the Library, 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM.

Reminder:

If you did not participate in the Race for Education by submitting labels, families may choose to make a monetary contribution. 100% of your donation will be used to fund PTA sponsored events and supplies such as:

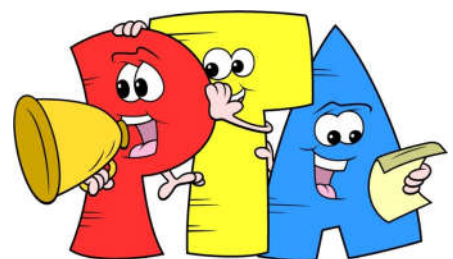
Red Baresville Folders	Kindergarten T-Shirts	5 th Grade Farewell Event & T-Shirts
Student Agendas	Book for Each Student	Baresville Scholarships for 12 th Graders
Assemblies	School Equipment	Books for <i>One District, One Book</i>
Library Materials	5 th Grade Field Trip	4 th Grade Gym-O-Ree T-Shirts
Contributions to the School Store	Family Fun Events	AND MORE!!!!

Donations may be turned into your classroom teacher by May 4th in an envelope marked “Race for Education Donation.” Please make checks payable to: Baresville PTA. Thank you!

Let's Connect:

For further information visit www.baresville.my-pta.org or “Like” us on Facebook at Baresville Elementary PTA. Please feel free to contact any of the PTA Board Members with questions or concerns.

- President – Kristin Coulson kcoulson@comcast.net 717-965-2423
- Vice President – Jill Lau jelizabethlau@gmail.com
- Treasurer – Lori Colgan loricolgan23@yahoo.com
- Secretary – Crystal Maus c_mummert97@hotmail.com





PSSA Testing Dates for 2018

All South Western Elementary Students in grades 3, 4, and 5 will participate in the Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA) testing on the dates below. **Thank you for your support in not scheduling vacation, appointments or other absences from school on these dates.**

Educational Trip Requests will be denied during the PSSA Testing during these listed days:

April 10-12 (Gr. 3-5 English/Language Arts)

April 17-18 (Gr. 3-5 Math)

April 24-25 (Gr. 4 Science)

Volunteer Information



District volunteer photo ID badges are to be returned at the conclusion of the current school year to any of the district school building offices or the administration office. Volunteer status is valid for the current school year only. **District volunteers must re-register each school year to remain on the district volunteer cleared list. Current clearances on file are valid for 60 months from the date completed, as long as the volunteer re-registers each school year.** Volunteer registrations are completed at the district administration office. If you are a new volunteer to the district, clearances must be dated no more than one year prior to the registration application date. If you have any questions about volunteering, please contact Lisa Duke at the district administration office ([717-632-2500](tel:717-632-2500) or Lisa_Duke@southwesternsd.org).

Volunteer information and forms are also available through the district website:
http://www.swsd.k12.pa.us/SW_out-opp_volunteers.htm

Kitchen Tidbit

Reminder: Our menu is located at www.schoolcafe.com and any changes will be listed there and updated as needed. Also, www.schoolcafe.com can be used for payments, apply for free and/or reduced priced meals, reminders, and viewing student accounts.



grandparents day

Grandparent's Day at Baresville is Friday, May 11. Your child's grandparents are welcome to visit at the following times:

Kindergarten, Grade 1 & Grade 3 Visitation	8:15—9:30 AM
Mrs. Crook's Class, Mrs. Ecker's Class, Grade 2, & Grade 5 Visitation	10:15—11:30 AM
Miss Friddle's Class & Grade 4 Visitation	1:05—2:20 PM

More information will be sent home soon!



Star Family Fun Day

(In memory of Star Baugher Bechtel)

Saturday, April 28th (10am-2pm)
Park Hills Elementary

A Free Gift for the first 300 children!

Purpose: To celebrate LIFE! Come and enjoy a fun-filled day of games, door prizes, singing, dancing, storytelling, child ID cards, face painting, obstacle course and FOOD with your friends and family! It is open to the public. All ages welcome. There is no admission fee. Everyone faces difficulties and challenges in their lives. This is a day to try to put all that aside and be happy for what you have NOW!!!

Provided by: The Star Fund



SCHOOL COUNSELOR ZONE

Mrs. Jill Shirey, Baresville School Counselor



Talking About Careers

Modified from: <http://cte.ed.gov/acrn/parents/careeraware.htm>

Why It's Important to Start Early

Children may do better in school if they can see how education is connected to a successful future. You can help your child:

- Discover the variety of jobs available to him or her;
- Connect what he or she is learning in school to real-world situations;
- Begin viewing himself or herself in an occupation; and
- Develop work-readiness skills such as working in teams, making decisions, solving problems and being a leader.

Help your child learn about a broad range of careers and show him or her how education is connected to those careers. For example:

- A veterinarian uses math skills to calculate the amount of medicine a cat will need;
- A reporter needs writing skills to compose newspaper articles; and a marine biologist relies on his or her knowledge of science to study aquatic life.

Career Awareness Activities for You and Your Child

Show your child how school skills relate to everyday chores such as:

- paying bills;
- buying groceries;
- sending birthday cards and letters;
- getting appliances repaired;
- shopping for clothing; and organizing family activities.

Ask your child the following questions:


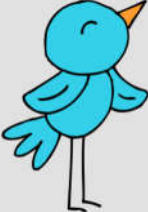
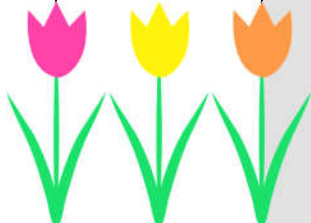
- Would you prefer to work alone or in a group?
- Would you rather work inside or outside?
- Would you prefer working during the day or during the night?
- Would you mind wearing a uniform?
- Would you like to make things or to sell things?
- Would you rather travel or stay close to home?
- Would you like to work with your hands?
- Would you prefer to give directions or to follow direction?
- Would you rather use communication skills or math skills?

If you help your child think about careers from an early age, you can contribute greatly to his or her future success!



APRIL




Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1 Book Fair: Tues April 3- Fri April 6	2 SCHOOL CLOSED (K-12) 4th Snow Make-Up Day	3 C PBIS Crazy Sock Day Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night 5-8pm	4 D PBIS Wacky Day Good Deeds Club (Group A) 2:30-3:15 pm Meet Clifford & BA Open Library 5-7pm	5 A PBIS Twin Day Read to therapy dogs 6-8pm	6 B PBIS Disco Day After School Bowling 2:30-5:30pm Read to therapy dogs 6-8pm	7
8	9 C	10 D PSSA Testing (ELA) BA PTA Meeting 6:30pm	11 A PSSA Testing (ELA) Project Harmony Day Good Deeds Club 2:30-3:15 (Group B) School Board Planning Mtg 7pm	12 B PSSA Testing (ELA)	13 C After School Bowling 2:30-5:30pm	14 
15 	16 D	17 A PSSA Testing (Math)	18 B PSSA Testing (Math) Good Deeds Club (Group A) 2:30-3:15pm	19 C BA Bear Football/Cheer Registration 6:30-8pm	20 D After School Bowling 2:30-5:30pm	21
22	23 A	24 B PSSA Testing (Science)	25 C PSSA Testing (Science) Administrative Professionals Day Good Deeds Club (Group B) 2:30-3:15pm School Board Mtg 7pm	26 D	27 A BA Spirit Day	28 Star Family Fun Day @ Park Hills 10am-2pm
29	30 B					



MAY



Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
		1 C	2 D Good Deeds Club (Group A) 2:30-3:15 pm BA Bear Football/Cheer Registration 6-8pm	3 A Art Fair 6-8pm	4 B BA PTA Race for Education	5
6 Teacher and Nurse Appreciation Week	7 C	8 D BA PTA Board Dinner 6:30pm	9 A National School Nurse Day Project Harmony Day Good Deeds Club (Group B) 2:30-3:15pm School Board Planning Mtg 7pm	10 B	11 C Grandparents Day	12
13	14 D Music Fest (Grades 4 & 5) 7 pm	15 A	16 B Good Deeds Club (Group A) 2:30-3:15pm	17 C	18 D Gym-O-Ree (Grades 4 & 5) SWHS Track 9-11:30am	19
20	21 A Gym-O-Ree (Grades 4 & 5) SWHS Track 9-11:30am (Makeup Date)	22 B	23 C Good Deeds Club (Group A & B) 2:30-3:15pm School Board Mtg 7pm	24 D PBIS May Day	25 A BA Spirit Day	26
27	28 SCHOOL CLOSED (K-12) 	29 B	30 C Early Dismissal K-5 @ 12:30pm	31 D Early Dismissal K-5 @ 12:30pm Last day of school	