



Upcoming Dates

March

26-Kindergarten enrollment ends

29-Spring Break begins

April

6-Students return from spring break

12-16 Purple Up Week (More details to follow)

13-14 Ohio State testing (3rd and 4th grade)

14-PTO Meeting

15-Purple Up (More details to follow)

* Due to the pandemic, in-person events (concerts, PTO meetings, STEM/Literacy night, etc.) are postponed or canceled. . We will continue to reassess and post updates.

Community Corner

We're in the last nine weeks!
Please send in backup masks with your student. We see them wet, covered in chocolate milk, etc. and need frequent changing.

Attention **4th Grade Parents:** BWI PTO is looking for volunteers for the 2021-2022 executive board. Please email bwispto@gmail.com if you are interested.

If your child's place of residence changes, please contact the school to ensure proper changes of their bus schedule.

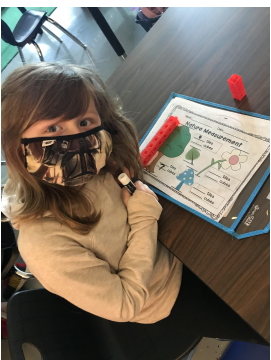


A note from Mr. Cox...

This time last year we were done with face-to-face learning for the year. Oh, what a year it has been! Thanks for your continued support and flexibility. We look forward to seeing the students again on April 6, and we look forward to finishing the year strong.

Souders Spotlight...Intervention Team

Souders introduced a co-teaching math model in the 1st grade classrooms this year. In this model students rotate between four different centers, one led by a general education teacher and one by an Intervention Specialist. Students are introduced to new content by one teacher and spiral back to previously learned content with the other teacher. This ensures multiple opportunities for guided practice of students' foundational math skills. Two stations are independent stations, one being an evidenced based computer program (ST Math) and the other gives students the opportunity for continued practice and to show what they know. Both independent centers allow students to work at their own pace on newly introduced and previously learned skills which helps drive our instruction. In all of the stations students are offered multi-sensory problem solving strategies that suit their specific learning styles. Currently students are working on place value, 2 by 2 addition, addition within 20, time, money, writing to 120 and measurement.



April is the Month of the Military Child

Our community is dedicated to supporting local heroes and this includes our local businesses, schools and residents.

The **Purple Star Award** for military-friendly schools recognizes schools that show a major commitment to students and families connected to our nation's military. In an effort to better support students of military members in our community, **Big Walnut Local Schools** works to identify and inform teachers of the **military-connected students** in their classrooms and the special considerations and resources they should receive.

This year Big Walnut Apparel has teamed up with **Big Walnut Local Schools** to show support of our military families. This fundraiser helps support that initiative. You can purchase a shirt or yard sign to show your support. There are also sponsorship options for the t-shirt and flat donation options available.

Thank you for your support!

Wear your shirt on April 15th!!!

<http://bigwalnutpurpleup.com/>

Quote of the Week

“What is the bravest thing you’ve ever said?” asked the boy.
“Help,” said the horse.

From The Boy, the Mole, the Fox, and the Horse by Charlie Mackesy