January 8, 2021

<u>Upcoming</u> Important Dates

January 5: Students return from winter break

January 13: PTO Meeting-Time TBD

January 15: Yearbook sale begins

<u>January 18:</u> No School

February 16-March 26: Kindergarten Enrollment

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

At right: Students in 2nd grade work on "escape room" activity.

Quote of the Week:

"Given the current pandemic, it's easy to sink into pessimism, question others' judgment, or focus on what we've lost, but it's far more productive to alter our mindset and recognize that peaks can't exist without valleys."

Phyllis Fagell in Coping with Change and Uncertainty



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Dear Souders Families and Friends:

We are back at it! The building just feels different when the students are here. There is a certain energy. It was great to see the students this week.

As we move into 2nd semester, your child may be working with different teachers and in different groups. Those changes are largely due to our mid-year assessment data. We do our very best to communicate any changes with families. Should you ever have a question, contact me.

Mr. Cox



- Students will have the following lunch options daily:
- lst Choice-Rotates Daily
- 2nd Choice-PB&J Uncrustable
- <u> 3rd Choice</u>-Munchable w/ yogurt
- 4th Choice-Chicken Tenders

Students will also have fruit and vegetable choice daily.



<u>A few parent reminders...</u> 1..) When your child is absent, please let us know by 9:30am. You may call the building or use this <u>form.</u>

2.) Please use the parent drop off circle for drop off and pick up. Help us keep kids safe.

Big Walnut Schools are committed to seeking out our military connected families and assisting those families as needed. Should an immediate family member currently be serving in the military, please let us know. Please complete the <u>Military Connected</u> Student Information Form.

We have several events each year to bring our military connected families together. Please check our district website and weekly newsletters for additional information on those events.

