

Basin Elementary News



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Upcoming Events



- September 20th Teacher Inservice, No School
- September 25th Picture Day
- October 3rd Fall ICOE Day
- October 4th Teacher Inservice, No
- October 5th Idaho City Splash 5K Run/Walk
- October 7th PTA Meeting
- October 9th Cardboard Challenge Arcade Day

<u>Character Education ~ 7 Healthy Habits</u>

The students are working hard on *Healthy Habit* #1 - Be Proactive. They learned the difference between being a "Soda Kid or a Water Kid" and whether they were more proactive or reactive in situations. When you notice your child in a setting where they are struggling to react positively and remain proactive, you might want to ask them if they are being a soda kid or a water kid. A simple way to foster proactive behavior in children is to have them practice helping others. Altruistic acts are empowering and also bolster self esteem. Children thrive when they feel needed.

"Our character is what we do when we think no one is looking." ~ H. Jackson Brown, Jr.

<u>Lifetouch ~ Ordering Photos Online</u>

You should be receiving an email from Lifetouch regarding picture day. Families can order directly from the link. There are more background and package options online. You are also able to pay by credit card.

Parent/Guardian Communication

Please be sure to check your child's Tuesday Folder communication sheet which will contain their message to you regarding their weekly progress. We are asking that parents comment back on the corresponding line or initial. We are expecting that students return the folder on Wednesday.

Cardboard Challenge Arcade Building

As part of this year's Cardboard Challenge, students in grades 3rd through 6th will be creating an "arcade" game from cardboard. Students will be designing, building and later, playing the games. The idea is based on Caine's Arcade in which a student created an entire arcade out of cardboard. The activity gives students the opportunity to think creatively and participate in the engineering design process. http://cainesarcade.com/ Parents and Guardians can join us on October 9th to play these games. More details to come.

Career Day, November 5th

On November 5th, the middle/high school will be hosting a career day for their students. The elementary school will also have some involvement by inviting parents and community members in to share about their careers. The purpose of the event is to provide our students with an opportunity to learn more about the types of careers that might interest them. We are looking for as many people from different business as possible that are willing to share their experiences regarding the joys and challenges of their career as well as offer advice on required skills and training. Please contact jpilkerton@basinschools.net or <u>lcarignan@basinschools.net</u> if you are interested in sharing or if you have recommendations for community members.

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Lunchtime Parent Volunteers

We are looking for lunchtime helpers that are willing to assist with the kindergarten through third-grade students in the cafeteria. Helpers would assist with opening lunch items as well as helping the students have meaningful conversations and use their table manners. If you would like to help weekly or occasionally, please email me directly at jpilkerton@basinschools.net.

Emails from Basin School District #72

Each week you should receive a weekly email from basininfo@basinschools.net with the Basin Elementary Newsletter. If you are not receiving this email, please contact us so that we can verify your email address. This is the same notification that we will use to send out important information on events, school closures or schedule changes.

New Security System

We have a new security system with magnetic locking doors and cameras throughout the campus. Visitors will need to enter the front doors by pressing the button on the right-hand side. It will notify the office that someone is at the door. A picture of the person will pop up and we will unlock the door. We have found that there is a slight delay from when we press the button to when the door unlocks. Please be patient, and it should open a few moments later. We also ask for your patience as it may take a moment if someone is not right at the front desk.

Idaho City Splash sponsored by the ICHS Cross Country Team

If a 5K is your thing come run/walk this true cross country course with valleys, hills, twists, turns, and a big SPLASH at the end! Sign up at:

https://www.facebook.com/IdahoCityICOEXC5K/

https://tinyurl.com/y8yvvage

May also send in cash or check made to: ICHS $\times C$

Important Links

AR Home Connect - Basin Elementary uses a software program called Renaissance at school. This program has a special feature called Home Connect, which your student can access outside of school from any computer with an internet connection. Home Connect allows you to view information about your child's progress. It also allows you to sign up to receive email notifications after your child completes an activity or assessment at school.

To log in to Home Connect Website:

https://global-zone50.renaissance-go.com/stude ntprogress/homeconnect? t=250866

Renaissance ID: BSD72-01FL

<u>Lumen</u> - Check your student's grades, lunch count and more at:

https://lumen.basinschools.net/light/lumen/signin

<u>Istation</u> - Students in K-4 can log into Istation to practice their reading and writing skills. Use the link below to access the website. You will need to select our campus on the initial login. Use: Basin School District 72 (basin.basin.id)

https://secure.istation.com/Account/LogOn

PTA Amazon Smiles

The Basin PTA is participating in the Amazon Smiles program which allows Amazon users to select a charity of their choice for donations. Use the link smile.amazon.com and choose Basin School PTA for your charity. Thank you for your support!

Art Department Donations

The Art Dept. is in need of magazines like Nat Geo or anything you may have. You may call the art teacher at ext # 1289 or email her at mtucker@basinschools.net or just bring them to the Art Room (across the hall from the HS Office).