AHE Honors Our Veterans

Mr. Dave Smith coordinated yet another successful program to honor veterans this year. Veterans from almost every branch of service were represented. Major Lindsey A. Smith addressed students and thanked them for the support that they gave him by sending cards while he was stationed in Afghanistan. Arlington Heights thanks our veterans for their personal service to our country.

Delays & Cancellations

Decisions regarding delays and cancellations are announced through the media, on the www.mccsc.net website, and on the district’s main phone line 330-7700. MCCSC does it’s best to announce these decisions by 5:15am. Please note that MCCSC elementary schools begin at 10:35am on delay days.

Many families recommend signing up for text alerts for closings at WRTV, Channel 6. You can go to http://cf.localwireless.com/wireless/signup.cfm?sid=35&pageid=textalert1_main to sign up. MCCSC has also added a visual to the main page of the website which features a stop light. Scroll down on the www.mccsc.edu web page to find this visual.
Events Calendar (online calendar at www.mccsc.edu/arlingtonheights)

December 2 - 20  NWEA Winter Testing (Grades 2-6)
Contact homeroom teacher for schedule
NWEA testing assesses student proficiency in Reading, Language Usage and Mathematics. Contact homeroom teachers with questions about your child’s results.

December 11 (W)  Reading Club Parties
Students who participated in Reading Club during the first semester will be invited to participate in the Reading Club Party.

December 16 (M)  5th/6th Grade Bell Concerts
Contact Ms. Bennett if you have questions. (kbennett@mccsc.edu)
Students will meet students in the music room before the concert.
Neiswanger’s class: arrive 5:50pm, concert @ 6:00pm – 6:20pm
Paflas’ class: arrive 6:20pm, concert @ 6:30pm – 6:50pm
Smith’s class: arrive 6:50pm, concert @ 7:00pm – 7:20pm

December 19 (Th)  PTO Meeting – Lunch for Teachers
In place of the regular December PTO meeting, the PTO will provide lunch for teachers. Contact Abbi Rice for information on how to help.

December 23 – January 3 (M-F, M-F) Winter Break
Winter Break – No School

January 10 (F)  Second Quarter Report Cards Go Home
Please check backpacks! Report Cards go home with students on this date.

January 20 (M)  MLK, Jr. Day Observed
No School

January 21 – 31  AIMSweb (K-1) Winter Testing
Teachers determine schedule
All students in grades K-1 are assessed for basic reading skills (letter naming, sight words, etc.). Questions about student results should be addressed to kindergarten and first grade homeroom teachers.

January 30 (Th)  PTO Meeting
7:00pm in the Library
Join us for the monthly PTO meeting.

@AHEeagles... Follow Us!  
Thank you for following us on Twitter! Many AHE families have seen pictures and work from their children in action since following us at @AHE eagles. You can also learn about upcoming events, and connect to helpful information when you follow us. It is a great way to stay connected.

Contacts & Resources

AHE Office (ph. 330-7747, fax 330-7748)
700 W. Parrish Road, Bloomington, IN 47404
Candi Arnold, secretary (ext. 50133)
Lisa Autry, school social worker (ext. 53205)
Shannon Carroll-Frey, principal (ext. 50133)
LeAnna Faubion, health aid (ext. 50708)
Eric Lewis, positive behavior support coord. (ext. 50711)
Deana Mobley, kitchen manager (ext. 50715)

MCCSC Administration Center (330-7700)
301 E. North Drive 47401
www.mccsc.edu

Transportation (330-7719)
Bus drivers needed. Call to apply.

Extended Day Program/School Age Care (ph. 330-7702, fax 349-4794)
http://mccsc.schoolwires.net/domain/64
Parents must sign up for this service. Registration forms are to be turned in to the School Age Care Office at 401 E. Miller Drive, 47401.

Food Service (349-4762)
Breakfast & Lunch Menus
Printed menus are available in the AHE Office. Electronic menus are available on the MCCSC Food Service website.

Online Lunch Account Website (https://www.mypaymentsplus.com/default.aspx) Parents can deposit money and check balances for each child’s lunch account. Registration is free. Each child’s five-digit lunch number is needed during registration. Ask your child for his or her lunch number or call the AHE kitchen manager.
Reminders and Procedures

**Outside Recess**

Weather permitting, students will go outside for recess. Please be sure to continue to send your child to school with proper outerwear. If your family needs assistance, please contact Mrs. Lisa Autry (our school social worker) at 330-7747.

**End of Day Changes**

To reassure your child and keep the end of day calm, please send a written note with your child anytime that your end of day plans must change. If an emergency situation requires a change of plan, parents must contact the school before 3:00 pm.

**Parent Pick Up Door #2**

When picking up children at the end of the day, parents may simply stay in their car on the west circle drive. A bell rings at 3:45 pm to release car riders and walkers. Students go to Door #2 (the green door by the mailbox on the west circle drive). Staff escort each student to the parent’s car.

BHS North Book Buddies

Students from Bloomington High School North volunteer at Arlington Heights Elementary regularly. Many of these students are “Book Buddies” for students in kindergarten and first grade. Book Buddies read aloud with small groups of students. Listening to fluent readers is an important part of developing reading skills.

Noticing words in the world around us is another important part of developing reading skills. Parents can help children see reasons for reading by reading menus, price tags, road signs, computer game directions, and anything else that they come across throughout the day.

It is very important to show children that reading doesn’t have to stop at a certain time. You can make a difference in child’s ability to read!

Learning, learning, learning... at AHE

The Roundabout Opera for Kids performed a Spanish opera for the student body at Arlington Heights.

5th Graders are all smiles as they collect their belongings on the return home from Bradford Woods.

Kindergarten students track their learning and share their success.
PTO

AHE PTO Officers
Abbi Rice, president
Renee Henderson, treasurer
Amber Kent, secretary

Committee Chairs
Art to Remember, Renee Henderson
Book Fair, Amie Ramsey
Box Tops, Jason Partridge
Carnival, Abbi Rice
Facebook, Jason Partridge
Labels for Education – Tamika McKay
Reading Club, Renee Henderson
Skate Night, ShannonHovious
Teacher Appreciation, Rhea Hollers

Room Reps
Carnegie –
McPheely – Abbi Rice & Crystal Jones
Solimini – Andrea Miller
Quimby – Amber Kent
Williams – Amanda Campbell
Cobb –
Teague – Rhea Hollers
Fox – Shawna Prather
Lukasik – Abbi Rice
Dill – Andrew Frank
Shedlak – Shannon Hovious
Neiswanger – Michelle Crail & Crystal Ridlon
Paffas – Hoang Mitchell
Smith – Diane Brinson

Box Tops Earns Over $2,000

Box Tops
Jason Partridge announced that over $2,000 in Box Tops were submitted in November this year. Each Box Top is worth 10 cents. If you do the math that’s over 20,000 Box Tops collected, cut, grouped and submitted. Thank you to the team of parents who helped to organize the submission. And, thank you, everyone who donated Box Tops. Keep them coming in. It is a great way to earn FREE MONEY for our school!

PTO Meeting Dates
December 19th @ 10:30 – 1:15pm (lunch for teachers)
January 30th @ 6:30pm in the library
February 27th @ 6:30pm in the library
March 27th @ 6:30pm in the library
April 24th @ 6:30pm in the library
May 22nd @ 6:30pm in the library

PTO Projects, News, and Updates

Family Movie Night a Success!
Thank you to all of the parents who volunteered to pull off another successful Family Movie Night. Approximately 100 people participated. Fun was had by all who attended. Watch for future family events in February.

Can you help?
PTO is seeking help…
- Secretary: Attend and takes notes at PTO meetings
Contact Abbi Rice (baahrice@hotmail.com) or Renee Henderson (rdeh@comcast.net) or attend any PTO meeting if you are interested in more information.

Skate Night – 1st Tuesday of every month, 6:30 – 8:30pm @ Western Skateland
- $4 per student (Tell them you are from AHE and $1.25 comes back to our PTO!)

FaceBook – anytime 😊
- Like us on FaceBook to follow the AHE PTO
www.facebook.com/AHEPTO

The Indiana Parent Information and Resource Center provides education related information and resources to parents including information about the No Child Left Behind law. Go to www.fspc.org for more information.