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## Calendar

Thu April 14, 2016

- 7:30am Bryant Choir
- Band Lessons & Ensemble
- 6pm Bryant Site Council
- 6pm Girl Scouts – Troop 7345

Fri April 15, 2016

- Band Lessons

Mon April 18, 2016

- 3:05pm Orchestra Rehearsal
- 3:30pm Leisure Services Track Practice
- 6pm Girl Scouts – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

Tue April 19, 2016

- Orchestra Lessons
- 5:30pm BFO Exec. Board Mtg.
- 6pm BFO Fun Day Planning Mtg. All are Welcome

Wed April 20, 2016

- 9:15am Clarke Human Body Bee – 5<sup>th</sup> Graders
- 3:30pm Leisure Services Track Practice

Thu April 21, 2016

- 7:30 Bryant Choir
- Band Lessons & Ensemble
- 6pm Girl Scouts – Troop 7345

Fri April 22, 2016

- Band Lessons

Mon April 25, 2016

- 3:05pm Orchestra Rehearsal
- 3:30pm Leisure Services Track Practice
- 6pm Girl Scouts – Kdgn.

Tue April 26, 2016

- Orchestra Lessons
- 10am *Elephant & Piggie's We are in a Play* performed in the Bryant Gym. Presented by the Clarke University Theater Dept. All are welcome!

## IMPROVING LEARNING FOR ALL STUDENTS

Dear Parents/Guardians,

On Tuesday night we welcomed our incoming Kindergarten students and their parents. And on the same evening, most of our fifth graders attended an open house at Washington Middle School. These are big days in the lives of children and the adults who love and care for them. I was filled with pride and joy as I reflected on the tremendous amount of growth each of our oldest students has made. And I was humbled by the trust that parents of our newest and youngest students extended to us. If we continue to nurture and develop strong home/school connections than I am confident that all students will thrive and that together we can overcome any barriers to their learning. Parenting and teaching are not for the faint of heart. I'm honored to be engaged in this work with each of you.

Warmly ~ Vicki Sullivan

## SAVE THE DATE

**What:** A Celebration of Gratitude for Bryant's Historic Windows Project

**Special Guests:** Mr. and Mrs. Butler whose donation made this project possible, School Board President Mike Donahue, and Superintendent Stan Rheingans

**When:** Wednesday, May 4, 9:30am**Where:** Bryant Gym**Who:** All are welcome!

Please watch for an invitation to this special event. We hope you will join us!

## SITE COUNCIL MEETING TONIGHT

Tonight's agenda includes updates on budget and staffing, a preview of our school-wide plan to improve writing, and a discussion around a draft of the school district's discipline policy. Mae Hingtgen, DCSD Behavior Specialist, will facilitate the conversation about discipline. All adults are welcome to attend. We will meet in the Bryant library from 6-7:30pm.

## FUN DAY PLANNING MEETING

Join us to help plan this year's Fun Day. We will meet in on Tuesday, April 19, at 6pm in the library. All are welcome!

## LEISURE SERVICES TRACK PRACTICE

There are over fifty 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders signed up for Leisure Services Track at Bryant. We are thrilled with the big numbers because it's a great opportunity for the children.

Please note that the Bryant playground and field will be closed until 5pm on these track practice dates in order to give the athletes and coaches the space they need:

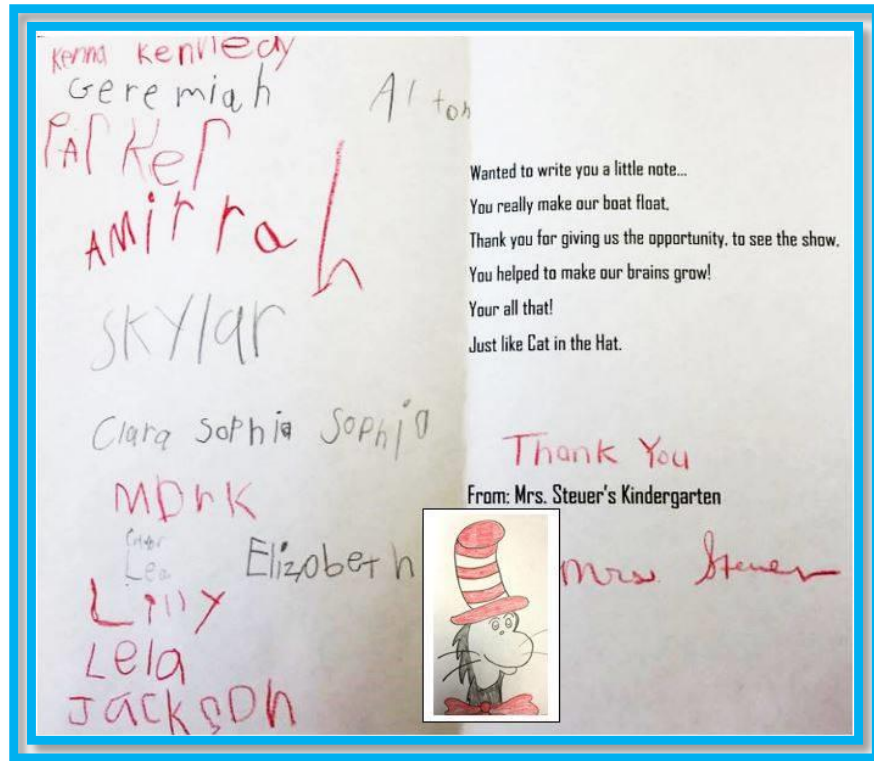
Monday April 18, Wednesday April 20, Monday, April 25, and Wednesday, April 27.

## GRATITUDE

- Thank you to Mrs. Wagner and Mrs. Murray for chairing last week's BFO BOGO book fair. Thank you also to their team of parent volunteers. Getting books into students' hands is a powerful strategy to improve their literacy.
- Thank you to our Leisure Services Track coaches for working with our 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders. This year's coaches are; Mrs. Weiner and Mrs. Morley, both Bryant teachers, and Jamey, Courtney and Adam who are all local college students.
- Thank you to Clarke University for hosting the upcoming Human Body Bee on April 20<sup>th</sup> for all areas 5<sup>th</sup> graders.

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- Thank you to this year's BFO Executive group; Mrs. Tart, Dr. Reed, Mrs. Daughetee and Mrs. Mathew. Their leadership and support of all Bryant students and staff is amazing!
- Thank you to our incoming Kindergarten families for participating in our Kindergarten Round Up event Tuesday night.
- Thank you to Mrs. Hermsen for working with Clarke University to arrange a performance at Bryant by their theater department. The play is called, *Elephant & Piggie's We are in a Play*. It will be presented in the Bryant gym at 10am on April 26. All are welcome!



Thank you to the Bryant Family Organization for sponsoring the kindergarten and preschool fieldwork at the UD Heritage Center performance of *The Cat in the Hat* on April 5. Approximately 97 Bryant students and chaperones rode school buses and attended this performance. Our target goal for this age group "I can learn and have fun at a live theater performance," was a great success. Thank you for your valued support.

Every Bryant student was able to experience a professional live-theater show at UD's Heritage Center this year due to the generous support of the Bryant Family Organization. This was the last group of children to see a performance. We are grateful!

## RED ROBIN LOYALTY PROGRAM

If you and your family ever eat at Red Robin, please consider participating in their customer loyalty program and choosing Bryant Elementary as the school to receive 1% of your purchase. Thru April 24, Red Robin is boosting their donation to 5% of your purchase. <https://royalty.redrobin.com/>

## ELEMENTARY OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR 2016-2017

Our objective as a district is to be as accommodating as possible, however, because of class size limitations, applications must be juried on criteria such as medical or legal reasons, documented change of address, sibling or parent in the same building, etc.

- Review the In-District Open Enrollment Policy (#6218) prior to completing an application.
- Elementary applications are due to the superintendent's office by May 2, 2016.
- To be sure that your application is processed, do not submit applications to a school. Instead, mail or deliver directly to the District Office (The Forum) at 2300 Chaney Road, Dubuque, Iowa 52001.

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