



STAY IN TOUCH

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CALENDAR

The Week Ahead

Thus Sep 15

- Choir 7:30am

Sat Sep 17

- DCSD FUN RUN Eagle Point Park 9:30am

Tue Sep 20

- BFO Executive Meeting 5:30pm
- BFO General Meeting 6:00PM-7:00PM

Wed Sep 21

- Arts Council Performance 10:00am

Thurs Sep 22

- Bryant Site Council 6:00pm-7:30pm

Mark Your Calendar For Upcoming Dates

BFO
Annual Walk About
October 8, 2016
10:30am- 1:00pm

BRYANT FAMILIES,

It was great to meet so many of the families at our Open House. The students were so excited to host their families at this school event. A special thanks to the BFO for offering the caramel apples for sale. They were a hit!

We hope that you feel as though you are always welcome at Bryant, whether you come to special events, attend conferences, come and eat lunch with your child, or just visit with the teacher through a call or email. We want the “open house” atmosphere to continue throughout the year. All students benefit when there is a strong bond between home and school.

Chris McCarron, Principal

ANNUAL WALK ABOUT

This week your child brought home a packet of information about the BFO’s annual fundraiser, the **Walk About**. Because of the past success of this fundraiser, the BFO has been able to support the school in many different ways. Each day, your child is impacted in some way by the contributions from the BFO.

Your child should have given you information regarding the **Walk About**. Each child received an envelope with information attached that explains the **Walk About**. The BFO is providing each family with the opportunity to contribute to this fundraiser. Regardless of whether you can financially participate, EVERYONE can participate by simply returning their envelope to school. Every child who returns his/her envelope to school (with or without donations) receives a ticket to place in the drawing for a variety of prizes. The higher the donations, the more tickets the child receives for the drawing.

The money raised through the **Walk About** comes from both donations from families and friends and also from Business and Community partners. If you know of a business who might be interested in joining the Bryant team, please reach out and ask them to be a sponsor.

Plan to join us on October 8 to **Walk About** the school, eat lunch, play games and enjoy a variety of activity with our school family!



Musical Notes

by Mrs. Sellers



Hey Bulldogs! I wanted to let you know of a wonderful opportunity for our students. On Wednesday, September 21st, at 9 am, the Dubuque Arts Council will sponsor a performance of vocaldente (yes, no capital) at Bryant School. Vocaldente is a five man a cappella group founded in Germany in 2004. They are internationally known. The group will perform a variety of music for our student body. For more information, here's their website: <http://www.vocaldente.org/en/>

Please consider joining us for this great performance.

Think Safety!!

We know that morning arrival and afternoon dismissal are terribly busy times and that everyone is in a hurry to get on their way. Regardless of where we each need to rush of to, it is most important that we get their safely. Please keep the following in mind:

- Do not pass cars in the drop-off line.
- Only cross at the cross-walk.
- Keep dogs at home, or if you bring a dog, have your child meet you across the street where there is not so much of a crowd.
- Stay back from the door when children are coming out at the end of the day so we can monitor connections between students and families.

Taking a Deeper Look at Writing

This school year, the staff of Bryant will be taking a deeper look at the area of writing. Just as reading is a critical skill for every child, the ability to effectively communicate both orally and in writing is a life skill that every child needs to be successful. On the Friday morning late arrivals, this will be one time that the teachers gather together to increase their understanding of the writing process, examine the expectations of the Iowa Core to assure that all of the students are working toward those expectations, learning new instructional strategies to teach writing more effectively and collaboratively reviewing and assessing student work.

Many parents provide their child time with opportunities to read daily. Writing opportunities also positively impact grow in a child's reading skills. Consider ways that you might engage your child in authentic writing projects.



- When you child receives a gift, have him/her write a thank you note.
- Have your child jot down lists or notes for you.
- Send an email to a family member, friend or even to his/her teacher.
- Write a letter to Ms. McCarron and put it in her mailbox. She writes back!