

Barnett Barker

November 2019

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Calendar:

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| November 3: | Daylight Savings Time Ends |
| November 5: | Barnett Buddies Parent Meeting @ 9:30am |
| November 7: | School Picture Make-Up Day |
| November 11: | Veteran's Day Assembly and Recognition @ 1:00pm |
| November 12: | 5th grade Field Trip to Central Utah Veteran's Home |
| November 13: | SCC Meeting @ 3:30pm |
| November 22: | Bulldog Pride Assembly @ 9:30am |
| November 27-29: | Thanksgiving Break—NO SCHOOL |

Principal's Corner

It is hard to believe that another month has passed us by and we have just ended our first term of the school year. October was a great month here at Barnett Elementary. We appreciate all the students who participated in our Red Ribbon Spirit Week and we appreciate everyone that came to our Halloween Parade and the great support we had at our Monster Dash Walk-a-thon Fundraiser. We also had a busy week right before Fall Break with our Book Fair and our first SEP Conference of the year. I like to think of the famous High School Musical Song, "We're All in This Together" when we have so many great things happening at our school. There are many parents that come to school to volunteer their time in the classroom, help at the Book Fair, attend parent/teacher conferences, and I know so many parents help at home with homework, reading, or just spending time with their children! And finally, the teachers and staff at Barnett work hard every day to ensure your children receive the very best education, services and love possible! We are definitely all working together to help the best group of students I know! Thank you so much for sending us your very best kids. We love having them here at Barnett.



At Barnett we want to make sure your students are safe from the time they enter the doors to the time they head back home to you. During Red Ribbon Week we focused on staying Drug Free but we also talked about being Bully Free. Mr. Jensen, our school counselor, visits with classes monthly to talk about bullying and how to prevent it. Talk with your children about what it means to be a good friend and a Bully Blocker. One way you can help our students stay safe is by using the Parent Drop Off Zone properly when you drop off and pick up your students. Please make sure your child uses the crosswalk in the front of the school if they need to get to your car or you can pull up in the right hand lane of the drop off zone to meet your student and use the left side of the drop off lane to drive through. Also, make sure you stay clear of the crosswalk when parking your car to wait for students. Thank you for helping our students stay safe!

Since November is the month that we focus on gratitude we want to show our teachers some gratitude this month. We have a Successory Note program at our school where our students can fill out a note to a teacher that has helped them be successful at school. We want to provide these notes to our parents and families who would also like to thank a teacher or staff member for being a success in their family's lives. You can find the note by going to barnett.nebo.edu and on the left hand side click on the Successory Program tab. We also have notes in our office you can fill out next time you visit our school or you can fill out the note attached to this newsletter and have your student turn it in at the office. Thank you for taking some time to let our teachers and staff know how grateful you are for them.

We look forward to a great November. We feel lucky to have such great help and support from our school community.

--Thanks, Mrs. Stoddard



What if my child is sick . . . ?

Already this year we have students coming down with the stomach flu as well as strep throat, pink eye and other communicable illnesses.

Remember that it's best to let your child stay home for at least 24 hours after symptoms subside so they are totally well before returning to school. This 24-hour period is especially important when a child is on antibiotics or is recovering from the stomach flu. *When a child has a confirmed case of pink eye, he or she **must** be on antibiotics for at least 24 hours before returning to school.*

Please don't send children to school if they have any of the following symptoms:

Fever of 100 or above

Nausea, Vomiting or Abdominal Pain

Diarrhea

Sore Throat

Persistent Cough

Acute Cold

Eyes—Red, Inflamed or Runny

Runny Nose (Thick yellow/green)

Drowsiness

Swollen Glands around jaws, neck or ears

Unexplained Rash

Oozing Skin Sores

Suspected Head or Body Lice

Earache

Any other unexplained symptoms

When your child is absent . . .

We appreciate you taking the time to let the office know when your child is absent. You can also let us know ahead of time when you will be on vacation. Please call 465-6000 to report absences before 9:30 am. Thank you so much for your help.



Now that the cold weather is upon us, please remember to dress appropriately for the weather. Please bundle the kids up with a coat, hat, gloves and scarf.

Don't forget to pay your lunch money!



Staying in the Loop!

To make sure you receive reminders of upcoming activities at Barnett make sure you have updated your SIS Aspire contact information. You can receive emails, phone calls, and even text messages through Blackboard Communications(used to be called Parentlink) keeping you updated with all our current events. Our school and the district will also use Blackboard to notify you of weather announcements and emergencies. You can also “Like” Barnett Elementary on Facebook to see what’s going on there too. Here are a few tips for making sure your SIS has the current information:

- Go to www.nebo.edu, Parents tab, click on the Parent Home Page, click on Mobile App Help/Communication Delivery Preferences.
- The Blackboard Help page will walk you through the steps.
- Be sure to check your Main Phone and your Cellular phone numbers. The main phone is the number that Parentlink calls for voice messages and the cellular number is the number Parentlink sends texts to. (If your main phone number is also your cellular phone number they need to be listed in both places.)

Paws to LEAD- Bulldog Pride

We held our monthly Bulldog Pride Assembly last week to celebrate all the great leaders at our school the past month.

We want to congratulate our Alpha Dogs (Teachers) of the Month: Mrs. Day, our lower grade ACC teacher, and Mrs. Butler, an ACC Technician. Also, we recognized Darla Pierre with our new award, The Dog Gone Great Parent Award!

Congratulations to the Yellow Pack for earning the most pack points for Term 1.

And a big congratulations to all our Top Dogs of the Month and our Leaders of the Month!

These students were exemplary in showing the qualities of LEAD!

(Lead with Responsibility, Engage in Learning, Always Respectful, and Demonstrate Safety)



School Land Trust Program at Barnett Elementary FYI

The School LAND Trust Program, established by the Legislature in 1999, distributes the “annual dividend” from the permanent State School Fund through school districts to all public schools in the state. Each year our School Community Council prepares a plan to address the greatest academic need for Barnett Elementary with the dividend.

In an effort to keep parents informed, the Trust Land money we received last year helped us hire Reading Tutors to work one-on-one with students to help improve their reading. It was also used to purchase Chromebooks for classrooms to get more technology in our students’ hands. We were also able to provide training and professional development for our teachers. Using these monies was a great help to our teachers, students, and community. Our school improved over 1,700 reading levels and we continue to work hard and do our very best on our Math and Language Arts Year End Tests. We appreciate our School Community Council for all of their help and input to use this money as effectively as possible this year. Thank you!

Habits at Home

This month our 6th graders reviewed Habit #1: Be Proactive with the school at our Bulldog Pride Assembly. Here are some ideas of ways to review this habit in your home including an awesome video our 6th grade Habit Specialists made for you to watch at home as a family!

Summary: I am a responsible person. I am in charge. I choose my actions, attitudes or moods. I do the right thing without being asked, even when no one is looking.

Ideas of ways students can live this habit at home:

- Decide on your own to do homework or make your bed without a parent reminding you.
- Take responsibility for any messes you make and clean up after yourself.
- When you see a family member that needs help, offer to help them all on your own.



Sometimes, when we are upset,
we react and explode like a
shaken-up can of soda.

Click [here](#) or scan the QR code to
watch a group of Barnett 6th grade
Habit Specialists teach your family
how to stay calm and cool like water.



SCAN ME

Family Dinner Dialogue:

- What steps could you take to not be reactive and stay calm when things aren't going your way?
- How could you be more prepared for your week?
- What kind of friend or sibling do you want to be?

Family Challenges:

- Make a list of ideas you can do when you are bored.
- Try laying out your clothes the night before you go to bed.
- Set a goal as a family for the week. Such as eating dinner every night together, read together every day, be on time, more family time, homework done before playing, etc.