

William Brooks Newsletter

January 2023



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year! We hope that all of our Brooks families had a wonderful winter break. We are grateful to be back in school with all of our Brooks Bears!

This is often a time of great academic gains for students. The excitement of the holidays are over and kids are ready to settle into the routines and structures of school again. As we transition back to school our teachers and staff will be reviewing our school wide expectations and helping students adjust to being back.

At this time of year, we hear a lot of talk about New Year's Resolutions. At Brooks, we believe that goal setting is an important component to success. Setting any type of goal allows people to be reflective and proactive in the areas of positive growth. Encourage your child to set a goal for themselves that has to do with school. It is a good idea to write the goal down, so you can celebrate success towards the goal as it happens. Help your child to be reasonable about the goal they set. We want kids to work hard toward attaining the goal, but be careful not to set a goal that is so difficult that they throw in the towel. We are looking forward to making 2023 a successful year!

Mark your Calendars

- 1/9: School resumes from winter break
- 1/13: Progress reports sent home-at risk students only
- 1/16: No School-MLK Jr. Day
- 2/17: End of 2nd Trimester
- 2/20-2/24: Mid-Winter Break, no school

News from Brooks PTA

Welcome back and cheers to a new year. We have lots of fun things on the horizon for 2023!

*PTA Meeting:

We will not be holding a January PTA meeting, due to scheduling conflicts. We will resume our meetings in February.

*Brooks Talent Show:

The William Brooks Annual Talent Show is one of the students' favorite events of the year. Students have the opportunity to show their creativity through performing in the talent show and/ or by displaying artwork.

When is the Talent Show? Tentatively, Friday, March 10 in the Brooks gym, with one performance during school hours for all students and one at night for families and friends. What is needed to make it happen?

Planning for this event should start 1-2 months before the event and includes:

- *Informing students about the event holding talent preview and dress rehearsal and talent management

- *Marketing and promotion

- *Budget planning

- *Light, sound, and other technical coordination (hire a DJ). Please contact Beth Lara at: bethlara@gmail.com to express interest or gain more information.

*We wish everyone a healthy and happy January!
Welcome back!*

DON'T LOSE TRACK OF WHAT'S HAPPENING



Caught Ya Incentives

Our students are working hard to earn Caught Ya tickets by demonstrating our school wide expectations: Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Safe. Each week a drawing is held and our winners get to spin the prize wheel for various prizes. We have also started to collect all the Caught Yas that are earned and we are working to fill the Caught Ya box. We are currently working on determining a school wide prize for filling the Caught Ya box to the halfway point and another prize for filling it to the top. Stay tuned for more details soon. The students are excited to be working towards a common goal. The Caught Ya box is located outside the front office so everyone can monitor our progress.

Birthday Announcements

Would you like to have your child's birthday announced in lights? If so, we can wish your child a **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** on our marquee! Simply, pop into the office, fill out the form and pay \$20. All proceeds support our wonderful PTA!

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

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Traffic Reminders

Please drive slowly (no more than 5 mph) as you enter the school parking lot and be sure you are not blocking the crosswalks or parking in fire zones. Look to the staff members on duty for when to pull forward. Our goal is to get everyone to and from school safely each day.

Kindergarten & New Student Registration

Hard to believe it is already time to be thinking about next school year!

If you have a kindergarten or transitional kindergarten aged student (or a student who will be new to Brooks), it is time to gather the necessary information to get them registered for the 2023/2024 school year.

Online EARLY registration begins on January 17th. You can access this through our school website:

<http://www.buckeyeusd.org/wbes>

On January 31st, registration packets will be available for pick up at the school office and available for download on our website. All packets can be turned in beginning February 6th.

Registration packets are only accepted at the school for which you reside. If you are uncertain as to your school of residence please visit: <https://www.buckeyeusd.org/> click on "Parent Resources" and then "District Boundaries".

A registration packet is considered complete when the school has:

1. Registration forms filled out
2. Copy of birth certificate
3. Current immunization record
4. Residence verification (two forms)

Please contact our front office with any questions
(916)933-6618

or email our school registrar,

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