

# Beebe Bugle

October 2007

## Principal News

Dear Beebe Families:

It was wonderful to see so many parents at Parent Orientation Night. I invite you to continue playing an active role in your child's school experience. Your involvement as parents is critical to your child's academic success. The Beebe staff and Home & School Association look forward to working hand-in-hand with you. We greatly value the ongoing partnership and collaborative relationship we have with the Beebe community. In addition to the numerous committees available, there are many other ways to become involved at school such as attending Pumpkinfest on Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, volunteering in your child's classroom, helping in the LRC, or assisting at the Greeter Desk.

The purpose of the Home & School Association is to support all children at Beebe as we continually focus on the district's mission and vision and strive for continuous improvement. I am proud to say that this mission and vision are evident and alive in all curricular and operational decisions made regarding what is best for kids. Due to last year's successful efforts of Home & School's fundraising, Beebe was

able to purchase the following to support and enhance our learning experiences and opportunities for all students:

- 40 sets of computer headphones
- 12 digital presenter projectors (Elmos)
- 1 digital video camera
- 3 digital cameras

A sincere thank you to our fabulous Home & School Association for your contributions of time and resources!

As always, I look forward to continued positive communication between home and school, which will directly benefit your child. Please feel free to contact Mrs. Wall or myself with questions or feedback; we welcome your input!

See you at Pumpkinfest!

Sincerely,

Robyn Rippel, Principal



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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>1 BLUE</b>	<b>2 RED</b> Student Council Assembly - 9:00 am - GYM Drama Club-2:30 pm	<b>3 ORANGE</b> Spanish Ladder - 2:35 p.m.  Battle of the Books 2:30-3:30 pm	<b>4 YELLOW</b> <b>FALL PICTURE DAY!!!!</b>	<b>5 GREEN</b>
<b>8 BLUE</b>  5 <sup>TH</sup> Grade to Morton Arboretum-9: 30am	<b>9 RED</b>	<b>10 ORANGE</b> Kindergarten Conferences  Spanish Ladder - 2:35 pm	<b>11 YELLOW</b> Kindergarten Conferences  <u>GIFT WRAP PICK- UP - GYM 3:30PM</u> Cub Scout Pack 567 Den Meeting-6:45pm	<b>12 GREEN</b>  3 <sup>RD</sup> Grade Learn Not to Burn Program LRC  1:00 pm - Beebe Home & School Meeting (Stage)
<b>15 BLUE</b> <u>CLIMBING WALL</u> <u>Gr.3-5 10/15-17</u>  Vision & Hearing Screenings Today  5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Lit Club Mtg. - 7:30 a.m.	<b>16 RED</b> Student Council 7:30am  Drama Club 2:30	<b>17 ORANGE</b>  Spanish Ladder 2:35 pm	<b>18</b> <b>NO SCHOOL</b> Teacher Institute Day - Evening Parent Teacher Conferences	<b>19</b> <b>NO SCHOOL</b> Parent/Teacher Conferences 8:00am- 11:30 am
<b>22 YELLOW</b> <u>CLIMBING WALL</u> <u>Gr 3-5 ALL WEEK</u>  Student Council Officer's Meeting 4Cummings	<b>23 GREEN</b> 7:30 am - Student Council	<b>24 BLUE</b>  Spanish Ladder - 2:35 pm  Battle of the Books Club/LRC 2:30pm	<b>25 RED</b>	<b>26 ORANGE</b> KAM & KPM Classes to Pumpkin Farm-8: 15- 11:45pm <u>NO KPM CLASSES TODAY</u>
<b>29 YELLOW</b> <b>CLIMBING WALL</b> Gr 3-5 til 10/30	<b>30 GREEN</b>  Drama Club-Gym 2:30	<b>31 BLUE</b> 8:45-9:45 am Kindergarten Parade/Parties 12:15-1:15 PM/PARADE 1:45 PM/Halloween Parties	<b>REMEMBER!!!!</b> <b><u>PUMPKINFEST</u></b> <b><u>IS SATURDAY,</u></b> <b><u>OCTOBER 27,</u></b> <b><u>2007 10-4P M</u></b>	

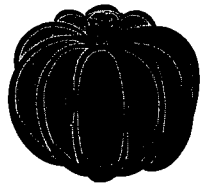
# Pumpkinfest News

**Saturday, October 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2007**

**10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

**Beebe School**

The count down has started and we are only four weeks away from one of Beebe's biggest, most exciting, fundraisers -- Pumpkinfest. For all new families, Pumpkinfest is a fall festival of fun games (appropriate for pre-school age and older, it's always great to see our alumni come back to share in the fun), a delicious concession area, a yummy bake sale, and an awesome raffle. There are loads of neat prizes, a face painting station, and a great haunted house. It is a fabulous way to spend a fun day with your family, while raising money for Home & School.



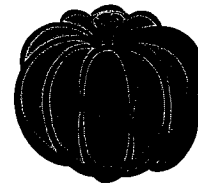
## A Few BIG Changes to Announce:

This year we will **NOT** be having our **TALENT SHOW** on the day of Pumpkinfest. For all who have started planning their acts, please keep practicing! The talent show will still go on! We would like to make the event bigger and better so that each act gets the attention that it deserves. The event will be planned for a separate day and will be announced later in the year. Please contact Jane Cassano [REDACTED] with questions.

We are very excited to announce Beebe Parent Chris Rester has generously volunteered his **DJ** services for the festival. Join him in the gym as he entertains us with fun games and festive music.

By popular demand, we are bringing back the **CAKE WALK**. Thank you to all kindergarten

families who have made a donation so that we can purchase pre-wrapped and labeled cupcakes for the walk. Please remember that **NO OPEN FOOD WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE ROOMS AND HALLWAYS**. You will be able to enjoy the cupcakes at home or in the gym!



## Volunteers Needed

Thank you to everyone who has signed up to work a shift at Pumpkinfest this year.

## Help Is Still Needed!

Recently, a volunteer shift sign-up flyer was sent home with your child. If you haven't signed up or returned the form, please do so as soon as possible. There is so much going on during Pumpkinfest, and none of it can happen without your help! We need everyone to volunteer for at least a two-hour time slot to make Pumpkinfest a success -- not to mention the smile it will bring to your child's face. To add to the excitement, the classroom with the most volunteers will receive a "special treat" from our committee after the fest!

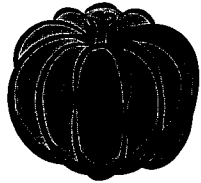
All Beebe alumni are welcome to volunteer too. If you cannot help during Pumpkinfest hours, we still need your help with planning, setting up and cleaning up.

You will receive a reminder of your shift a week or so prior to the event. That day, you will receive an

assignment such as assisting with a game, giving out prizes or tickets, helping in our concessions, etc.

Please email or call Lee Bruebach to sign up for your short, but extremely important shift! E-mail:

Phone:



## Bake Sale

We are still in need of a bake sale chair or a few co-chairs to run the bake sale. Our previous chair is no longer at Beebe, but has graciously offered to work with anyone interested in taking over the position. Please contact Debbie Phillips for more details regarding this position as soon as possible.

## Boo Cafe

Our wonderful café will be up and running in the gym starting at 11:00 a.m. Stop by and enjoy lunch or a snack. This year we want to thank Cold Stone Creamery for bringing ice cream to the Fest. Three yummy flavors will be offered for \$2 a cup, with a portion of the proceeds donated to Home & School!

## Tickets

By now, you should all have received order forms for wristbands. For a fee, these bands can be purchased prior to Pumpkinfest and will allow the bearer to play unlimited games. Of the 23 games offered, the bearer will have unlimited access to 20 of them! Please take note of the due date and return your order to school as soon as possible. Tickets will be on sale the day of the Fest since some of the games and activities will still require tickets. Please contact Cathy Archambault with any questions,

## Pick-A-Pocket

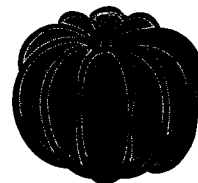
Pumpkinfest needs your donations of small prizes for our pick-a-pocket game. Please consider contributing new or gently used "kids meal" prizes, stickers, treat bags, or any other small toys that can fit into apron pockets. Donations may be placed in the "Pick-a-Pocket" box by the school office.

## Pumpkin Update

Unfortunately, due to all the rain we've had, there is a shortage of pumpkins this year that will prevent us from selling them as we had hoped. We apologize for this and will make every effort in the future to bring pumpkins back to the festival.

We want to thank the HUNDREDS of people in advance who make this event successful year after year. We can't wait to see all of you having fun together for a great cause.

Please call Debbie Phillips or Kathy Gottschalk with any general questions.



## Pumpkinfest Raffle

All Beebe families are invited to donate items to the Pumpkinfest Raffle! Many local businesses have made donations that will be given away on October 27th during Pumpkinfest. Now we ask that you consider contributing some small toys, art supplies, puzzles, sports equipment or anything else that you feel might be enjoyed by Beebe children and their families. These donations may be dropped off at Beebe's office any time through October. The more donations, the more prizes for the kids! Please contact Viviane Goncalves at with any questions. Thank you!

# Home & School Association News

## President News

### Parents are the best Role Models

Wow! Do you realize that we've been in school for over a month already? It's hard to believe that conferences are right around the corner, followed closely by Pumpkinfest and Halloween room parties! We have a busy month ahead of us here at Beebe and before it's over, hundreds of people will have spent time at our school, volunteering their time and talents towards making our school a great place for our children. I'd like to invite you spend some time at Beebe and find out first hand what makes our school so special!

I know when we moved to Beebe two years ago, I was nervous about volunteering. I didn't know anyone, I didn't know the principal or teachers, I didn't even know my way around the school! What I did know though, were my children and they were just as nervous about being in a new school as I was. Every time I came into Beebe, I felt more and more comfortable at the school and as I relaxed, so did my children. As parents, we serve as role models for our children so the examples we set today help mold the young adults of tomorrow. If we show our children that we value education by coming to curriculum night, conferencing with teachers, checking homework and reading together, our children will value their time at school and strive to do their best. Likewise, if we show our children that we value volunteering at Beebe, our children will grow into young adults who freely give of their time and don't hesitate to help out in their community.

**"The most important role models in people's lives, it seems, aren't superstars or household names. They're 'everyday' people who quietly set examples for you -- coaches, teachers, parents.**

**People about whom you say to yourself, perhaps not even consciously, 'I want to be like that.' "**

**-- Tim Foley**

I invite you all to become one of those 'everyday' people. When the next Pumpkinfest flyer comes home, volunteer to run a booth for an hour, sell tickets, help with set up or better yet – clean up duties! Spend an hour or two with some of the nicest people you'll ever meet and show your children that it takes everyone working together to make Beebe a GREAT school!

Beebe Elementary – where every parent is a member of Home & School.

Sincerely,  
Mary Reid-Vizintos



## Be a Beebe Book Club Leader!

Be part of a new club at Beebe! Volunteers are needed to facilitate book discussions with 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> graders. Book club groups will meet once a month during the lunch period from November to March to discuss a selected book. This is a great opportunity for you to work with the children while promoting reading at the same time.

Please contact Julie Pabarja at [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] for more information on becoming a book club leader.



## Where Does The Money Go?

When you support a Beebe Home & School fundraiser such as the Gift Wrap fundraiser or buying raffle tickets for Pumpkinfest, Home & School uses that money to fund a variety of programs and projects.

Last year, for example, our focus was on Technology. Beebe Home & School provided funding for upgrading and expanding our school's technology tools. Thanks to the generous financial support of our Beebe families, Home & School was able to allocate money towards the purchase of:

- LRC Book Browsers
- Sound System with Cordless Microphone for the gym
- ELMO's for every teacher who requested one (12 total!)
- 3 Digital Cameras
- 1 Digital Video Camera
- 40 sets of Headphones for the Computer Lab

In addition, Beebe Home & School provided funding for our everyday programs such as:

- Art Awareness
- Beebe Bugle
- Field Trips
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Party and T-Shirts
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Outdoor Education
- Beebe Directory
- Beebe Parent to Parent Guide
- Health & Safety
- LRC Books and Software
- Red Ribbon and Turn Off the TV Weeks
- Assemblies
- Publishing Center
- Room Parties
- Field Days and
- Staff Appreciation Events

THANK YOU for your support!



## Market Day.

Purchase Market Day in October and **help us earn \$400 in FREE books from Scholastic.** We must reach a minimum goal of 93 customers and \$4,777.86 in pre-tax sales to earn the books. What a great way to start our LRC project!!

Ordering is easy. Either complete the order sheet sent home earlier this month and return it to school by Friday, October 5<sup>th</sup>; or order online at [www.marketday.com](http://www.marketday.com) until noon on Monday, October 8<sup>th</sup>. Pick up is Thursday, October 11<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. in the Beebe gym.

Please stop by the Market Day table at Pumpkinfest for free samples. I will be there with Market Day samples of Banana Mini Pancakes, Chocolate Chocolate Puddin' cakes and Oven Baked Italian Style Meatballs.

We appreciate your support,  
Dayna Maggiore, Market Day Chairperson



You can help raise money for the LRC! Submit your Box Tops by October 30th and get the ball rolling! You can even track Beebe School's progress by going to [boxtops4education.com](http://boxtops4education.com). It's easy and it's free! Also at the website, you can learn about all of the products participating in the Box Top program, as well as stores you can shop online to earn Box Tops for our school. Please contact Lisa Byrne, Box Top Coordinator, for more information, [redacted] or [redacted]



## We Need Your Photos for the Yearbook!

The Beebe Yearbook Committee needs volunteers with digital cameras to take pictures at class parties.

We could use one person per grade level to go into 4-5 classrooms during the fall and winter classroom Parties and take candid photos. Your memory card can be downloaded to a disc before you leave.

This is great way to volunteer at Beebe – with only a 2-hour commitment for the whole year!

Do you volunteer in the gym or LRC or have a child in band or orchestra – don't forget your camera. We need your pictures!

We are asking anyone who has pictures that you can donate to please send them in for use in the yearbook. They need to be in color and printed on photo quality paper. You can also just send us a disc. Your donations are greatly appreciated. Photos or Discs can be sent via kid mail to Janet Muriby [REDACTED]

Please contact Janet Muriby @ [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] for more information on volunteering.

## Fall Fundraiser Program

Thank you to everyone who ordered products from our Fall Fundraiser Catalog – A Wonderful Time of Year. The final figure is not in yet, but I will let you know how much we raised in the next Bugle. Congratulations to the following children who won gift cards for returning orders:

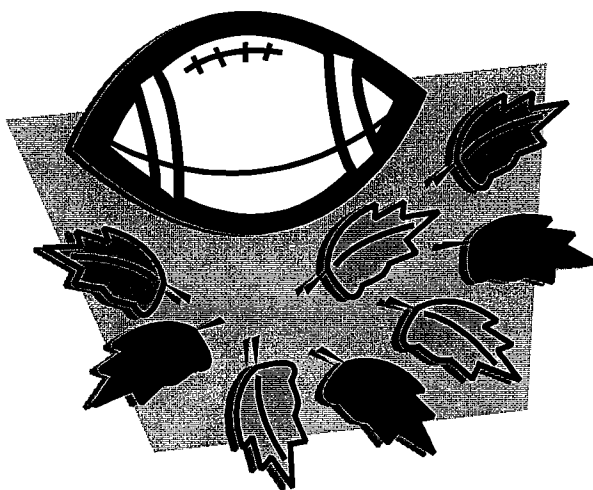
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## Fall Fundraiser Pickup

Pickup will be on October 11<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the gym. This is on a regular Market Day pickup date, so if you have ordered Market Day please come after 5:00 p.m.

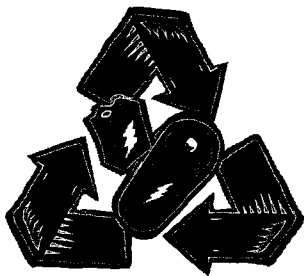
Thank you all again for making this fundraiser a success.

-- Nicola Thornton & Tara Petersen



# In and Around Beebe

## Save the Earth Bring in Your Used Batteries!

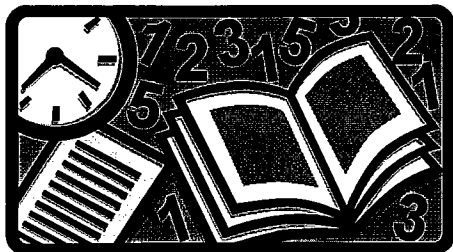


Cub Scout Pack 567 -Den 12 is collecting used batteries to recycle. Used batteries should not be thrown into the landfill. Please bring in your used batteries and put them in the totes in the LRC or in the office. Thanks for helping!

## Beebe Math Club

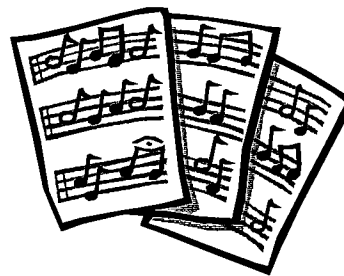
Thank you to our fifth graders for the great response to the new Beebe Math Club! The fifth grade math club will continue to meet weekly until the end of the first Trimester. The fourth grade Math Club will meet in the second Trimester and the third grade Math Club will meet during the third trimester.

Watch for notices announcing the sign up process for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders — this is an opportunity that is open to all Beebe math lovers!



## School Store Grand Opening!

The Beebe School Store, operated by our 5<sup>th</sup> grade PI students, will hold a grand opening in October. Watch for information about replenishing those school supplies!



## Orchestra Notes

I would like to welcome back all of our Beebe orchestra students! Lessons have begun for our fifth graders and summer beginners. We also have a great group of new fall beginners getting started. Honors Strings is open to eligible fifth graders by director recommendation, and auditions will take place on October 16. Letters have been sent home with students. Please put our fall orchestra concert on your calendars and come out to enjoy some enthusiastic music making from our youth!

-- Mrs. Karen Campbell, orchestra director

### Honors Strings Auditions:

Tuesday, Oct. 16

3:30-5:00

Washington Junior High School

### Fall Orchestra Concert:

Thursday, Nov. 1

7:30 p.m.

Jefferson Junior High School



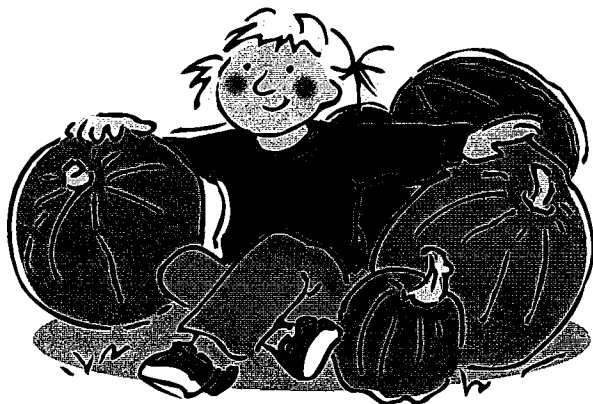
# LRC News

## Anderson's Bookfair Company

It feels odd talking about the book fair already, but with our new schedule, conferences will now occur in mid-October and the Annual Fall Beebe Book Fair, hosted by Anderson's Bookfair Company, will coincide. I know many families use this opportunity to support Beebe by purchasing books through this event. Profits from these sales go to purchasing new literature for Beebe's collection. Students will preview the books on Monday through Wednesday during school hours. Books will be available for purchase starting Wednesday until close on Friday at 11 a.m. An added benefit for purchasing at Beebe: all sales will be tax-free!

## Teacher Book Raffle

I'm happy to say that last year's Teacher Book Raffle during Pumpkinfest was a huge hit! Not only did teachers feel they were helping the school raise funds, but we were also passing on our love of literature. Each book at the teacher raffle will be selected by a teacher, autographed (some with a short note inside), and be beautifully wrapped in cellophane. Books will be on display for preview throughout the morning and drawings will take place near the close of the day.



## August & September Donations

Every month (at time of submission) I would like to take a moment and thank the following students and their families who donated books to Beebe's School Library:

Donation	Name	Donation	Name
28-Aug	[REDACTED]	4-Sep	[REDACTED]
5-Dec	[REDACTED]	23-Aug	[REDACTED]
27-Dec	[REDACTED]	13-Jan	[REDACTED]
27-Aug	[REDACTED]	3-Aug	[REDACTED]
19-Oct	[REDACTED]	10-Sep	[REDACTED]
21-Sep	[REDACTED]	16-Jan	[REDACTED]
1-Sep	[REDACTED]	2-Jan	[REDACTED]
In memory of	[REDACTED]	17-Sep	[REDACTED]

*\*Please remember to return your book to the LRC when you are finished so everyone may enjoy your donation!*

The Beebe Bugle is a monthly publication of the Beebe Home and School Association. The deadline for newsletter articles is the fifteenth of each month.

Send submissions to [REDACTED]