

# BENNION Newsletter



JUNIOR HIGH

October 2022

## Principal's Message

It's been another amazing month at Bennion Jr. Our faculty is so grateful to all of the parents who were able to join us for parent teacher conferences. When parents and teachers are able to work together with a common goal, our ability to help students succeed expands substantially. We are grateful to have parents who are engaged and supportive of our school and students. As we move into October, the end of first term is coming into view (Oct. 28). This is a critical month for learning as students become more and more focused on making sure their final grades are as good as they can be. Teachers will be urging students to give their best effort and supporting them to complete missing assignments and retake assessments that they may have performed poorly on. We are hopeful that parents will be supportive of this at home by checking student grades and communicating needs to teachers directly. Thank you all for your support of our students and staff. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to better support you and your students.

## Social Emotional Learning

What does it take to be successful at school you might ask...? While there are the more obvious things such as attendance and completing homework, there are some other things you may not have thought about.

\*Getting a good night's sleep \*Actively participating in class \*Staying organized \*Using a planner \*Having a quiet study/ homework space at home \*Eating breakfast \*Positive self-talk \*Positive thoughts \*Positive behavior

Doing your best to do all of these will help you be successful at school and feel your best. Positive self-talk and thoughts will not only help you be successful at school but also feel better about yourself. On the contrary, negative self-talk increases stress, anxiety, and hurts your self-esteem.

Challenge: This month we encourage you to change your negative thoughts into positive thoughts...Notice when you're having a negative thought and try to change it to positive. When doing this, take note of how you feel. Remember the more you do these things the easier they will become ☑

**PBIS** Thank you to the students who participated in Kindness week! Keep up the good work and respectful behaviors. The PBIS „ROAR“ store will open during lunch on Tuesday's and Thursday's starting on October 11th. You can check your point balance online at <https://student.pbisrewards.com/> and use your google email to log in. Each month there will be a drawing for each grade level to win a \$10 Café Rio student reward. Any student with ROAR points will be entered into the raffle. You can also purchase raffle entries to win a Nintendo Switch LITE at the end of the term, on October 27th. Come visit us at the store to start redeeming points.

## Important Dates

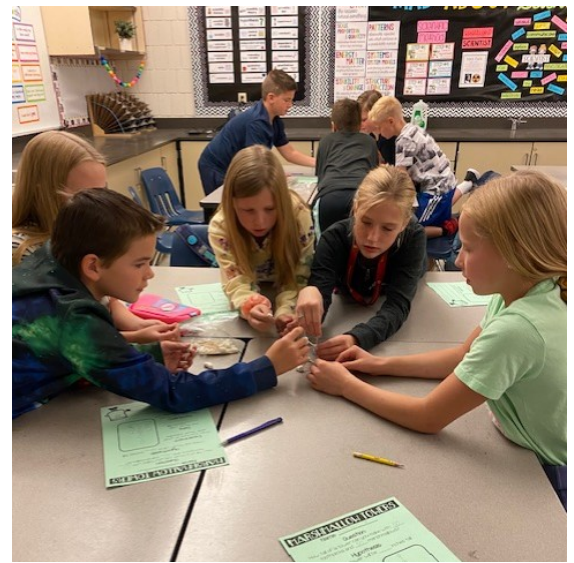
- 3- Picture Retakes
- 13- Fall Recess
- 14- Fall Recess
- 17- No School
- 27- End of Quarter 1
- 28- No School

<https://schools.graniteschools.org/bennionjr/athletics/>

*Ways you can belong and beyond...*

<https://schools.graniteschools.org/taylorsvillehigh/calendar/>

In Science students are exploring space! They have had a lot of fun building marshmallow towers and Oreo moon phase models and can't wait to do more hands on labs in October! In World Studies students will be venturing back to different ancient civilizations. In Math, students will be learning about fractions! In English this month we are working on using text evidence and making inferences. Inferences are a lot of fun because we get to be „Reading Detectives!“ The most exciting thing that happened in 6th grade this month is we got our awesome binders which are going to help us learn to be excellent students!



Our fabulous seventh graders have really dug in and have put forth their best effort to start our year out right! They know they have important things to learn, and they have come ready to work hard and show the school what Bennion Bobcats can do! They represented well over spirit week and even triumphed at a few games during the spirit assembly. They can really play a mean game of life size hungry hippo! They also survived the crazy heat wave, with the help of a refreshing Popsicle!



Eighth grade students are in the thick of learning now that we are most of the way through the first term. Mrs. Black's students are learning about the explorers and colonization. Some CCA students worked on communication skills by presenting a career they researched, while others learned about how drones fit into the CTE Pathway of Transportation, Distribution & Logistics. More examples of applied learning to come!

