

# Bright Futures Preschool

...... Helping Students Achieve Their Dreams ........

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### News Update- February 18, 2015

## Principal's Desk

#### STEM in Pre-School

Science, technology, engineering and math are all linked together in what is called "STEM" curriculum. If you break down the term into parts, you will see that much is already happening in early childhood programs. Science is planting seeds and mixing materials together. Technology is utilizing computers and other digital tools. Engineering in preschool is using blocks to build and designing structures. Mathematics is counting and measuring. (NSTA)

Parents can also get involved with *STEM* curriculum. Utilizing scraps of wood and paper around the house to build structures allows to your child to utilize their imagination as well as explore different materials. A few other activities are as follows:

- Play with sand and water
- Compare heights of objects
- Assist with cooking (use different materials and objects)

As always, I look forward to working with you and your child this school year. My door is always open to you. Any ideas, questions, or thoughts that you may have, are appreciated. My email is <a href="mailto:tbolden@galesburg205.org">tbolden@galesburg205.org</a>, and my telephone number is 309-973-2000.

Sincerely,

#### Tammie J. Bolden

Class Times: AM: 9:00-11:30 PM: 1:00-3:30

RETURN WEDNESDAY FOLDERS ON THURSDAY!!!

#### Mark Your Calendar

#### February 19

Early Dismissal

#### March 6

No School-Parent/Teacher Collaboration

#### March 12

Parent Teacher Conference

#### March 18

Early Dismissal

#### March 19

Parent Teacher Conf.

#### March 20

**No School** 

#### March 27

Early Dismissal

#### April 3

No School



#### **Assessments**

Students have been assessed over the Alphabet, Counting, Shapes, Colors, and their Names. We need for our families to continue to practice these skills at home.



### **Tools For Triumph**

When responding to an adult, always answer by saying "Yes ma'am" or "No sir" or use their name "Yes, Mr. Jones" or "No Mrs. Jones!"



#### Pots & Pans

Besides making noise for music, pots and pans can be learning tools in the home. They come in different shapes and sizes that children can recognize. They are also made of different materials. As you are cooking, have your children recognize the differences.



#### **Important Information about Bright Futures**

**Mission** – ...build a solid foundation... **Instructional Focus - Reading** Office Hours - 8:00 - 4:00 PM School Hours - 9:00-11:30 & 1:00-3:30 **Phone** -309- 973-2031 Principal - Tammie Bolden E-Mail - tbolden@galesburg205.org

Coordinator - Dawn Hand Parent Specialist – Nicholette Fox Parent Specialist - Brandee Malcolm

Nurse - Marte Glass Secretary - Kathy Doney Black Room - Ms. Mings, - Ms. Barton Blue Room - Ms. Uddin, - Ms. Triplett Brown Room - Ms. Sexton, - Ms. Eiker

Green Room - Ms. Newhall, - Ms. Alvarado, Ms. Spinks

Orange Room – Ms. Heidt, - Ms. Campbell

**Purple Room** - Ms. Liepitz, - Ms. Pickrel, Ms. Williams Red Room - Ms. Buonavolanto, - Ms. Klossing, Ms. Klein **Yellow Room** – *Ms.* Barshinger, - Ms. Scott, Ms. Bowers

**ELL Teacher** – Renee Burton Speech Pathologist - Sara Carr Speech Pathologist - Alicia Warren