



Bright Futures Preschool

..... Helping Students Achieve Their Dreams

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News Update- Mid-December, 2014

Principal's Desk

Young children can become readers

The *Instructional Focus* at Bright Futures is **Reading**. Therefore, throughout the school year, we will be providing families with supports on how to help their children become readers. The road to becoming a reader begins the day a child is born and continues through life. Learning to read starts with sounds of the spoken language. When children hear family members talking, singing, and laughing, they learn to respond to words.

The next step to get them to respond to written language. This can be done by reading them stories from books, magazines, and newspapers. Mothers, fathers, grandparents, brothers, and sisters must all model reading to young children. Also, throughout your day as you see signs, billboards, and labels read them out loud.

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 tbolden@galesburg205.org, 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 Calendars!!!

December 10

Early Dismissal

December 11

Practice Lock Down Drill

December 19

Early Dismissal

December 22

Winter Break Begins

January 5

School Resumes

January 14

Early Dismissal

January 16

No School – Teacher Inst.

January 19

No School – Martin Luther King Jr. Day - Service



Literacy News

Talking & Listening

Children become readers by recognizing sounds that make up words. They begin to imitate those sounds. As they have books read to them, they learn that the print and words are related. Learning their *ABCs* helps them to learn to read.

ABCD EFG HIJK LMNOP QRS TUV WXYZ

Tools For Triumph

This coming week, the students will focus *on surprising others by doing random acts of kindness.*



Understanding Math Content

This is the ability of students to count up to 10 objects understanding one-to-one correspondence.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Music

Music participation provides a unique opportunity for literacy preparation. When students sing, they practice sequential learning. Singing your ABCs and numbers is great practice.



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

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Principal – Tammie Bolden

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Coordinator -Dawn Hand

Parent Specialist – Nicholette Fox

Parent Specialist – Brandee Malcolm

Nurse - Marte Glass

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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