SEPTEMBER 2013 IMPORTANT DATES

9/2 No School

9/5 School picture day

9/9 PTO Bake Sale with grandparents 3:30-4:30

9/10 Spirit wear orders due

9/10 PTO Meeting 4:30-5:30

9/16 District Title 1 meeting @ NBUE library 7:00-8:00

9/17-9/27 MAP testing grades 2-4

9/20 Mix It Up Day-Wear your neon colors

9/23 Market Day Pick Up

Poplar Grove Elementary News

SEPTEMBER 2012

Principal's Message

As we begin the 2013-2014 school year, I would like to extend a sincere welcome back to all PGE students and families. I have thoroughly enjoyed my 1st two weeks in the building and am very excited about getting to know all of the students.

It is my intention that all students will experience a very meaningful and successful year. If at any time you have a suggestion, concern, or question, please contact me so that we can reach an acceptable solution. I can be reached at 815-765-3113 or by e-mail at <u>kcrawford@nbcusd.org</u>.

Please also remember to check the Principal's Blog on our district website (<u>www.nbcusd.org</u>). This is where important information will be posted for parents. I also have a Twitter account that you can access @PGE_Crawford.

Finally, as we get this year underway, the staff and I look forward to working <u>with</u> you. Together, we have a wonderful opportunity to make a difference in the lives of all of our children. I hope that you will work with us to make this goal a reality for everyone enrolled at PGE!

Respectfully,

Mrs. Crawford

Welcome!

We have many new faces around PGE this year. Please help us welcome all of our great additions! First of all our new principal, Mrs. Crawford, has been here greeting the students every day. We are excited to welcome 4th grade teachers Mrs. True and Mrs. Schabacker. Our new face in the library is Mrs. Rush. We also have several new assistants to help our students. Please welcome Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Lessard, Miss Galindo and Mrs. Marcus. Mrs. Mulholland has also moved from the library to the classrooms as an assistant. Welcome to the PGE Family!



Don't be late! Students that are not in their classrooms by 8:00 am will be marked tardy.



Please register all student cell phones with the school office

General School Info

Welcome back! We hope you had an enjoyable summer. We were excited to see all of our returning students and families! We have had a lot of fun getting to know our new students and families. They are a wonderful addition to the PGE family!

This will be our only paper newsletter. It is available on our website at www.nbcusd.org each month. If you need a paper copy in the future, we will have them available in the office.

Just a few notes to pass on from the school office:

- Our school day starts at 8:00 am and ends at 2:45 pm. Walkers will be dismissed at 2:40 pm. Students are marked tardy if they arrive after 8:00 am. Please have them come to the office for a late pass. Students should not arrive before 7:50 am. There will be no adult supervision before 7:50 am.
- If your child is absent from school, please notify the office by 9:00 am. You may call (815)765-3113 or email the office at Mpiskie@nbcusd.org. If you know your child is going to be absent for more than a day, please stop by the office and fill out a pre-arranged absence form.
- Lunches are \$2.50/day full price and \$.40 for reduced. Milk may be purchased for cold lunches for \$.40.
- We have forms available for students who carry a cell phone. Please have your child request a form from the office. As a reminder, all student cell phones should be turned off during the school day.
- Visitors are always welcome but please sign in at the office and get a visitors pass. This includes walking your child to the classroom in the morning. Thank you for helping keep our students safe!
- The safety of our students is important, and from time to time we will practice for certain unlikely situations. We will have tornado, fire, bus evacuation and intruder drills. Many times we have our local fire department and law enforcement present to help. Please discuss the importance of these drills with your child.

School Pictures



Lifetouch will be here on September 5, 2013 to take student photos. All students in attendance that day will be photographed. These photos will be used for student ID cards and the yearbook. You may also purchase these photos. Order forms were sent home with your child this week regarding

picture package information. Please send your order forms back to school on September 5th.

If your child is absent, or if you are unhappy with your photos, retakes are scheduled for October 17, 2013.

If you have any questions, please call the office.

Notes From The Nurse

- Attention Parents/Guardians of North Boone School District 200 Students: All students in the North Boone School District will have their vision and hearing screened by an Illinois Public Health Department Certified Technician. If there are any parents/guardians who do not want their child screened, they must submit that refusal in writing to their school prior to September 10, 2013.
- Head lice season is here again! All measures possible are being implemented to keep this condition under control. Itching is the earliest and most common symptom. Lice or nits are usually found behind the ears and back of the head and neck. Nits are white in color and attach to the hair with a glue like substance and are hard to remove from the hare. Dandruff fall off easily. Notify school of any known or suspected cases.
- Sick day guidelines.

You should keep your child home if;

They have a fever of 99.6 degrees or higher, have been vomiting, have a productive cough, headache, body ache, earache, or a severe sore throat (A minor sore throat is usually not a problem, but a severe sore throat could be strep throat, even if there is no fever. Other symptoms of strep throat in children are headache and upset stomach. Your doctor will perform a test for strep).

Please keep your student home until their fever has been gone for 24 hours without medication.



Before School Care Available

The Belvidere Y Before School Adventure Club is available at PGE!

In collaboration with the North Boone School District, the Belvidere Family YMCA is pleased to accounce Before School Adventure Club to PGE Students!

- Drop off beginning at 5:30 am
- Light breakfast served
- Homework help and structured play

Fees: \$40 a week for Belvidere Y members \$45 a week for non-members YWCA state approved payments accepted.

Contact Jen Burritt at 815-547-5307 with any questions or for a registration packet.

In Search of Happy Helpers.....

Do you have a couple hours you could spare? We could use your help around the school as a Happy Helper!

What is a Happy Helper?

A Happy Helper is someone who volunteers a couple hours making copies, cutting out bulletin board items, laminating,, making books and so much more! Don't worry if your not sure how to do these things, we will provide training!

If you are interested, please fill out the slip at the bottom of this page and return to school.

	Happy Helper S	Sign Up Form
Day(s) I am available;	The best time of the day is;	
Monday	Early Morning 8-10 am	Name
Tuesday	Late Morning 10-Noon	
Wednesday	Early Afternoon Noon-2:00	
Thursday	Mid Afternoon 1:00-2:45	
Friday		Phone
Comments:	I am available to help from home	
		Child(s) Name/Teacher(s)
	Pleas	se return this portion to the school. Thank you for helping!