

*BES THURSDAY NEWS*  
*THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2017*



**Upper Concert is Monday night at 6:30pm and the Primaries on Tuesday at 2:15pm!**

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**WINTER CONCERTS**

**Uppers Concert Monday night 6:30pm**  
**Reset Primary Concert Tuesday 2:15pm**

BES Winter Concerts are almost here! This coming Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30pm, students in grades 3 through 6 will give a concert for families and friends. All of the students will sing, and those in grades 3 and 4 will also be playing recorders. Our small but talented chorus, and, the BES beginner and advanced bands, will also be performing. Concert performers should plan to arrive at school no later than 6:15pm on Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup>. Song sheets were sent home with the older students to help with memorization. All 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade students should be practicing their recorder songs at home; 4<sup>th</sup> graders have been doing a great job learning to read music and should all have copies of recorder songs in their homework folders. I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the concerts!

The reset Primary Concert (due to this Tuesday's snow day) is next Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, at 2:15pm. PreK, K, 1 and 2 will perform in the gym for family members and friends. They have some delightful songs to share with you. The 1<sup>st</sup> graders have also been practicing a lively dance.

Nancy Nesheim, BES Music Teacher

**Primary Concert Parking Reminder:**

Parents and others attending next Tuesday's Primary Concert are reminded that the playground loop parking will be for preschool and kindergarten parents only. Others are asked to use parking in the regular lot or on School Road. Thanks!

**School Council members needed**

BES is still looking for 2 to 3 people to join our School Council. A Bernardston parent, a School Choice parent, and, a Community Member from Bernardston. Parents and community members are welcome and encouraged to help the principal and teachers to improve their school by joining and participating on the School Council.

The School Council will meet once a month with a mission to help develop goals for our School Improvement Plan that include the curriculum, instruction, assessment, and, the budget process. Depending on the volunteer's schedules, the meetings could be right after school, in the evening, and/or alternating between the two. Please contact Bob Clancy at BES if you have interest or would like more information.

**A great website to visit often:**

<https://www.commonsemmedia.org/>

### **NEW SLEDS!**

We have new sleds for recess thanks to the donation of Box Tops, and the great work by Emily Herron-Clark in sorting and redeeming them all. We recently purchased a dozen new sleds that arrived just in time for use yesterday.

### **FRIENDS OF BES**

Our next meeting with the Friends of BES will be on Tuesday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30pm. Everyone is invited.

Thank you to everyone who came out for the Holiday Craft Night. We had such a blast. We look forward to seeing everyone at our next community event. We will be having a movie night in January with more details to follow.

**PLEASE BE SURE TO VISIT  
THE BES CLASSROOM BLOGS  
FOR MORE UPDATES & PICTURES**

**The link is on our webpage:**

**[bes.pvrsk12.org/](http://bes.pvrsk12.org/)**

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- Dec 14** Thursday, PVRSD School Committee Meeting  
7:00pm PVRSD
- Dec 18** Monday, Uppers Concert Dress Rehearsal, 2:00pm
- Dec 18** Monday, Uppers Concert, 6:30pm in the BES gym
- Dec 19** Tuesday, Primary Concert, 2:15pm in the gym
- Dec 22** Friday, dismissal at 12:15pm, no lunch served
- Dec 25-Jan 1** December vacation
- Jan 2** Tuesday, school resumes
- Dec 19** Tuesday, last day of Mad Science, 1-added due to the snow day this Tuesday
- Jan 9** Tuesday, Friends of BES, 6:30pm in the library
- Jan 11** Thursday, Banking Day
- Jan 15** Monday, No School, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

### **CONNECTED CALLS**

Please give the school office a call if you did not receive a call on Tuesday morning announcing no school due to the snowstorm. Typically this is due to contact information that needs to be updated. Additionally, the system does require a "Hello" to initiate the message. Thank-you.

