



# COUGAR TRACKS

The School Newsletter - BELMONT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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**PRINCIPAL THOUGHTS.....FROM DEB DABBERT**

## **TEACHER APPRECIATION DAY**

On Tuesday, March 3, we celebrated Teacher Appreciation Day. Surrounding businesses helped us make this day special. We would like to thank the following businesses for their donations on Teacher Appreciation Day:

The Blend  
Carlos O'Kellys  
Nebraska Game & Parks  
Taco Inn  
James Arthur  
Mr. Good Cents  
Lincoln Espresso  
The Nebraska Brass  
Edible Arrangements  
College of Hair Design  
Lincoln Stars

The Lied Center  
DeGould Meats, Inc.  
SAC Museum  
Applebee's  
Laser Tag  
Joseph's College of Beauty  
Nebraskaland  
Big Apple Bagels  
Beauty Nail  
Balance Massage & Esthetics  
Super Saver

The Cookie Company  
Hy Vee  
Kentucky Fried Chicken  
Holiday Inn Express  
Eagle Raceway  
Superior Vet  
Salt Dogs  
Champions Fun Center  
Sheri's Grill

## **KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION**

Kindergarten registration will be held on Thursday, March 19 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Friday, March 20 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Please call Beckey Carstens, Registrar, at 436-1124 with any questions you may have.

## **PARKING IN THE CHURCH PARKING LOT**

As the spring weather is approaching, we want to remind our parents and staff members that parking in the Baptist Church Parking Lot is always an option but we must stay ON THE CEMENT AREA. Parking in the grass or dirt area is not an option. The church has been very gracious in allowing us to use their lot and if you get a chance please thank them.

## **PICK UP AND DROP OFF**

Please be safe when dropping off and picking up your children. Please do NOT stop ON 14<sup>th</sup> Street to drop off your student and remind your student to ALWAYS use the crosswalk. NEVER attempt a U-turn on 14<sup>th</sup> Street during drop off and pick up times. The cut out is intended for drop off ONLY, therefore, please DO NOT park your vehicle and leave it in order to enter the school building. If you need to come in, please use the church parking lot or the reserved visitor spaces. The staff parking lot is for parking only and should not be used to drop off and pick up students. The handicapped parking is designated for those who have a handicapped parking permit.

Students will be brought in for breakfast at 7:40 a.m. Prior to this, there is NO supervision.

## **OUTSIDE RECESS**

The weather is getting nicer and we are having outdoor recess most of the time. Please send coats or jackets with your children so they may enjoy their outside playtime.

## **REMINDERS OF BOX TOPS, CARTRIDGES**

We collect Box Tops, empty printer cartridges, and Campbell's soup labels. Please save them so your school can earn money!

## **THE BELMONT FAMILY ASSOCIATION THANKS YOU**

Belmont Family Association wants to say a big thank you for shopping at our Usborne Bookfair -- you have helped the school obtain \$739.64 in new books for the classrooms and the media center. Thank you!

### **BIST**

#### **PARENT-TEACHER PARTNERS**

**Belmont teachers and staff share four common goals with parents that we want for our children. First, we want children to be successful and learn, in other words "be smart." Second, we want children to be trusted and respected by others or "have friends." Third, we want children to have a positive self-image, "feel good about themselves." Fourth, we want children to make good choices and stay of trouble or "take care of themselves."**

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

March 10 – 5:30pm – BFA Executive Meeting  
March 11 – 1:00 – 4:00pm WIC in multipurpose room  
March 17 – Kindergarten and 4<sup>th</sup> grade to Henry Doorly Zoo  
March 18 – 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grades to Henry Doorly Zoo  
March 19 – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades to Henry Doorly Zoo  
March 20 – End of third quarter  
March 23 – 27 – No School, Spring Break  
March 31 – 1:35pm dismissal, PLC day  
Spring Pictures