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# JH JOURNAL



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## **CLASS NEWS**



### **TECHNOLOGY FUN**

Lots of cool things going on in technology class this month. We have the spheros coming back and will be doing a bot battle with them. Also, the VR headsets are returning, students will be able to check out some job simulators to correlate with their time on a career exploration website. The kids will also be able to explore some stop-motion animation as well.

### **PETCU'S PETCREW**

My class will do a book exchange in December (right before Winter Break). Each student buys a book for their gender or gender neutral (\$1-\$5 book). We wrap the books and then do a "musical chairs" with the books. We keep going until everyone has a different book than they brought. If a student cannot purchase a book, I have spares on hand and some parents donate to the cause.



## **HOLIDAY CONCERT**



It is time to listen to some great music provided by our band and choir. Please join them at the Buchanan High School Auditorium on Thursday, December 7th at 6:30. The band will be hosting their annual cookie walk to help support the band.

If you purchased a Poinsettia, you can pick it up at the concert.



# SAVE THE DATE!



12/6 - Dance Squad Performance, (halftime during Boy's Basketball game)  
12/6-19 BMS Food Drive

12/7 - Holiday Band & Choir Concert - BHS Auditorium, 6:30

12/8 - Festive Friday - Holiday Character Day

12/15 - Jingle Bell Jam 2:30-4:30

12/15 - Festive Friday - Ugly Sweater

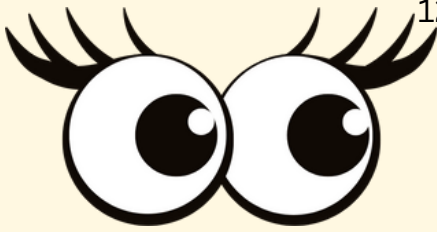
12/21 - Half Day, 10:50 Dismissal

12/22 - Half Day, 10:50 Dismissal

12/22 - Festive Friday - Polar Pajamas

12/25-1/5 - Winter Break

1/8 - School Resumes



Please remember that you can check all Buchanan events by using our Buchanan Schools website or the Buchanan Middle School website.

<https://www.buchananschools.com/>



## FESTIVE FRIDAY IS BACK!



Here at BMS we love to have fun. One thing we really enjoy is dressing up and seeing the creativity of our Bucks. To usher in the holiday seasons we are bringing back Festive Friday. Each Friday students are invited to participate in fun dress up days. This is not mandatory. But please remember, if you do dress up, make sure that your outfit is school appropriate.



12/8 - Holiday Character Day  
Dress as the Elf, Frosty, Santa, etc!

12/15 - Holiday Swag Sweaters  
The uglier the better

12/22 - Polar Pajamas

Extra comfy attire for our last half day of 2023!





# BEASLEY BULLETIN



Dear BMS Families,

Happy December! I cannot believe we are here already! December brings cooler temperatures, less daylight, and the promise of a new year around the corner. As much as we'd all like to feel that we are organized and well-prepared for the upcoming weeks, each family deals with the stress of the holidays in different ways. Please take time to celebrate the special moments and family traditions this season will bring. Our middle school students may act as though they are "grown-up" and "don't care," but I can assure you it's the little moments they will remember the most. As the principal, I'm obligated to say - do not forget to check in on their academics as well! There are many students with missing assignments. They should be able to access PowerSchool to tell what exactly is missing and some assignments might even be in Google Classroom for them to finish at home. This year our semester ends before winter break. Students will need to have all missing work and assignments completed based on the teachers' timelines of when grades are due.

Each student should also be working on some kind of independent reading. Car rides are the perfect opportunity to ask your students about what they are reading in school. Here are a few questions you could ask your child about their independent reading:

- What book are you reading right now?
- What has happened in the book so far?
- Tell me about the main character. Does he/she remind you of anyone we know?
- How do you think the book will end?
- Why do you think this book will end?

Every child benefits from reading practice. No matter what subject in school, college course, trades program, or career students will face in their life, they will come across something that requires them to read.

This semester has been an absolute whirlwind, but full of wonderful memories. I am so proud of the work students and teachers have put in so far this year and look forward to continuing the momentum into 2024. Winter Break will be from December 25th-January 5th. We look forward to seeing everyone back in the building in 2024 on January 8th!

Happy Holidays, Happy New Year, and Go Bucks!

Go Bucks!  
Sincerely,

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# LET'S FEED BUCHANAN!

The Jr. Herd and Student Council will be hosting a food drive to service families in Buchanan. The two clubs will work with Pastor Habicht and the First Presbyterian Church. Please join our students, who are always so quick to help their community, stock the food pantry at First Presbyterian Church. The Food Drive will last from Dec. 6 -19. Thank you for helping us feed Buchanan!



On Wednesdays  
Bucks wear GREEN!

**BMS IS  
OLLIE STRONG**

We invite you to show your support  
every Wednesday by wearing  
GREEN or your Ollie gear.



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