

BOWMAN WOODS

JANUARY NEWSLETTER

ROAR PLEDGE

At Bowman Woods, we are
people of character.

We will be Responsible

We will Opt for kindness

We will Always be safe

We will be Responsible

Our Mission:

We will all learn at high levels.

Dear Parents:

This month has flown by and it is difficult to believe that 2019 is quickly approaching. Thank you for the tremendous amount of help you have provided your child this month with special projects and daily work. It truly makes a difference.

In the spirit of this month, we wish to thank you for the gift of your amazing children. We feel so fortunate to work with our students and help nurture the gifts you have given them.

The start of the new year is a new beginning and an opportunity to renew our commitment to educating together every student, every one, every day! January is a busy month with the added goal to celebrate and focus more on our student accomplishments along with a continued focus on our positive behavior system. Students will be taking some mid-year assessments this month and early next month as we continue to use data to ensure we are doing our best for our students.

If you are looking for activities to engage your children over break, the Bowman Woods Symbaloo site, created by our fabulous librarian, Mrs. Clanin, is filled with a variety of rich resources and activities.

Here is a link to make it easy to get to the site:

<http://destiny.linnmar.k12.ia.us/common/servlet/presenthomeform.do?!2m=Home&tm=Home&l2m=Home>

Happy Holidays from the Bowman Woods Staff!



This beautiful tribute to our volunteers was created by Becky Decious and Beth Morrissey. There is a snowflake for every volunteer. Thank you for being "You-nique, Wonderful, and Much Appreciated BW Volunteers!"

Thank you to our December Volunteers!!!!!!

Gingerbread helpers in 5th grade - Christine Lehman-Engledow, Melinda Crow, Kate March, Christine Hanson, Sue MacGregor, Becky Bolsinger, Brianna Peterson, Janet Masters, Diane McPeck, Char Weuve, Renee Wood, Julie Martin, Heather Wilson Croskrey, Victoria Fernandez, Becky Streff, Amy Hock, Milagros Gonzalez, Danean Kirchner, Jason Greenwaldt, Sarah Roberts, Maria Lipford, Donna Bean, Deborah Ryon, Anna Lisa Grant. **Winter Party helpers** – Heather Croskrey, Anna Lisa Grant, Danean Kirchner, Doug White, Erin Harksen, Jaci Denny, Sue MacGregor, Milagros Gonzalez, Becky Bolsinger, Brianna Peterson, Colleen Lucky, Stacy Shepley, Tricia McCabe, Jessica Schenk, Shertyn Lindeman, Dawn Ovel, Jen Brunsman, Maria Lipford, Wendy Vick, Camille Lindsay, Angela Minard, Mary Lou Althoff, Janet Masters, Deborah Ryon, Terri Fritcher, Christine Lehman-Engledow, Beth Meyer, Courtney Barrios, Kristal Long, Elizabeth Strimple, Amy Hock, Brianna Petersen, Marissa Schwartz, Chelsea Rotter, Julie Summers, Kristi Kasper, Emily Messer, Jill Groezinger, Heather Mueller, Justin Kensinger, Erin Littler, Leila Eady, Julie Wesselink, Megan Kmetz, Rachael Bonefas, Jennifer Buhr, Sue Lindauer, Vanessa Taylor, Kathy Sharp, Lisa Rohrbach, Svetha Swaminathan, Jennifer Jones, Beth Steine, and special thanks goes to Melinda Crow, Ro Delaney and Angie Krueger. **Volunteer Workshop** – Angie Krueger, Ro Delaney, Elizabeth Strimple, Maria Lipford, Mary Lou Althoff, Ruth Schroeder, Janet Masters, Karla Terry, Sherry Stark, Joselene Squires. **Lunch Room** – Danean Kirchner, Mary Lou Althoff, Rachael Bonefas. **Ellison Press Production Lab** – Ro Delaney and Angie Krueger. **Parent Night Out** Angie Orr, Val Lawrence.



NO ONE CAN DO
EVERYTHING,
BUT **EVERYONE**
CAN DO SOMETHING.

143. The number of volunteers who walked through the door in just one busy Bowman Woods week last month.

2319 The number of hours you've collectively recorded this year at Bowman Woods.

13,000. The number of hours volunteers have given this school year at Linn-Mar.



DISTRICT NEWS

Save the date **3/1/19 – Mane Event**

Contact Information

□ **Report Student Absences:**

Mrs. Matthews 447-3242

□ **To order Lunch, please call by 8:45 a.m.:**

Mrs. Matthews 447-3242

□ **Questions About Lunch Account:**

Nicole Kreiger 730-3541

□ **Health Office:**

Ms. Bunney 447-3243 or rachael.bunney@linnmar.k12.ia.us

□ **General School Information:**

Mrs. Kack 447-3240 or dkack@linnmar.k12.ia.us

ATTENDANCE/LUNCH PROCEDURE

If your student will be absent or late from school, please call Mrs. Matthews at 447-3242 as soon as possible. Please include the following information on your student when leaving a message:

1. Student's name
2. Teacher's name
3. Reason for absence/late arrival. If the absence is due to an illness, please include symptoms your child is experiencing or any diagnosis the doctor has informed you of. If they will be arriving late, please include whether they want main or alternate for their lunch choice.
4. Leave your name and phone number we can reach you at if we would have questions.

When your student arrives late or leaves early, parents/guardians must stop in at the office to sign them in/out.

Your student's teacher appreciates a note or phone call ahead of time if your child will be leaving early. We will call your student to the office when you arrive and not before. Please plan accordingly.

For your child's safety please do not bring students for breakfast until 8:00 and please do not drop off for school before 8:10. Gates open at 8:05. Thank you for your cooperation!

ALL VISITORS ARE REQUIRED TO SIGN-IN AND WEAR A VISITOR BADGE WHEN VISITING DURING SCHOOL HOURS

DECEMBER FUN AT BOWMAN WOODS

5th Grade Gingerbread Houses/Ugly Sweaters



Orchestra Matinee



Early Bird Concert



Mr. Hart's Super Spectacular Spirited Traveling Children's Caroling Cantata



Mrs. Brockschink's Christmas Carol



Winter Parties



WONDERING WHAT IS GOING ON AT BOWMAN WOODS

OR ANOTHER SCHOOL IN THE DISTRICT???

LOG ONTO THE URL ADDRESS:

www.linnmar.k12.ia.us

Lunch/Recess Schedule

K – 10:55 to 11:20

Recess 11:20 to 11:40

2nd – 11:20 to 11:40

Recess 11:40 to 12:00

1st – 11:40 to 12:00

Recess 12:00 to 12:20

3rd – 12:00 to 12:20

Recess 12:20 to 12:40

4th – 12:20 to 12:40

Recess 12:40 to 1:10

5th – 12:40 to 1:00

Recess 1:00 to 1:30



IMPORTANT

**Looking for ALL children turning “5” by
September 15th**

**who reside in the Bowman Woods attendance
area!**

Kindergarten Round-Up, Tuesday, January 29th

at 6:00 p.m.

Please pre-register your student by contacting

Mrs. Kack at 447-3240/dkack@linnmar.k12.ia.us.



Bowman Woods Reaches Out

**Bring travel size toiletries to the
office. These will be donated to a
local shelter.**



Winter Band Concert

The 5th Grade Band Winter Concert will be held on Thursday, January 31st, 2019 in the HS Auditorium. Concert time is 6:15 PM, and monetary donations will be accepted. Band students from all 7 buildings will be performing together!

All fifth grade band students should arrive at the High School between 5:45 and 6:00 PM and be in the Little Theatre ready to warm-up NO LATER than 6:05 PM. Coats and cases can be kept in the LT. Students will need to bring their Instrument, and Band music from home. Tubas, baritones, and all percussion instruments will already be at the HS. Please have students wear nice dress clothes for this MAJOR concert (no jeans or tennis shoes please). During the concert we will be having a group photo taken by Hall's Photo. 8 x 10 color photographs can be ordered for \$10.00. Order forms will be sent home with students that day, and available at the concert.

In preparation for the concert we will be practicing together THAT morning BEFORE school (7:30 am – 8:30 am) in the HS Auditorium. **Please drop your student off at the HS AUDITORIUM Circle Drive entrance (DOOR 1) – Not the North Entrance....**between 7:15 and 7:20 am. All students will be transported from the HS to their building after our rehearsal. Because this is our only chance to rehearse with all 173 students together, it is VERY important that every Band student attend this rehearsal! The students have been working extremely hard to prepare for this big concert. We hope you will attend.

Please remember: If there is a 2 hour Late Start – Group Band doesn't meet but students should still BRING THEIR INSTRUMENTS for lessons.

Kevin Makinster
Director of 5th Grade Bands
kmakinster@linnmar.k12.ia.us



Invention Convention Finalists

These students will compete at the District Level.

Congratulations to Bentia Anyanwu, Halen Holt, Kaden Witzenberg, Abby Rubin, Elliott Krueger, Sophia Minard.

Library News

Coding is something that helps students use critical thinking skills, problem solving and communication skills with one another. In January, students will be shown how to get to the [code.org website](http://code.org) where there are several different levels of coding puzzles to work through. The newest addition for this year is Code Dance Party. If students are at home, they can login using Google and it will save their progress!

We are still STEAMing ahead using makerspace games and activities in January to promote the use of the 4C's in the library and life.

We finished some great holiday stories and are now onto sharing stories by our Stories Alive visiting author David LaRoche with grades K-3. I hope to try some google classroom activities with students that tie in with his stories. Mr. LaRoche will be visiting Bowman Woods March 26 in the afternoon.

I wanted to share how proud I am of the ten fifth graders who are now the Tech Marvels who help spot technology problems with the laptop carts, 4/5 desktop lab and the classroom iPads! They do a day of the week check and everyone has an area to do a hard shut down on Fridays. These students have helped tremendously with solving tech issues so the technology in the building runs smoothly for students. These students applied and were hired in November. Their hard work and perseverance in helping other students know the correct way to handle technology is very much appreciated!



January PTO NEWS

Mark your calendars

Tuesday, Jan 8, 6:30 – 7:30 PM: PTO Meeting

Every Bowman Woods parent is a member of the PTO. Attend the monthly meetings to stay informed of how fundraising dollars are spent, hear building/district updates from Mrs. March, brainstorm improvement ideas and voice questions/concerns. Meetings are held in the media center.

Friday, Jan 25, 6 – 7:30 PM: Family Fun Night: Sock Hop

Calling all Cool Cats and Daddy-Os! Let's go to the hop!

Dance the night away with DJ Chad from Aftershock Entertainment and enjoy free pizza and root beer floats for all BW students and family members. 1950s era outfits welcome but certainly not required. Students MUST be accompanied by an adult.

Keep up with School Happenings

Like us on Facebook (Bowman Woods PTO) to see upcoming events and dates for PTO meetings. Follow us on Twitter (@BowmanWoodsPTO).

Website: www.BowmanWoodsPTO.com

Email: bowmanwoodspto@gmail.com



Congratulations to Mrs. Thomsen's 2nd grade class for winning the Lego cookie party! They will enjoy their party after winter break.

One contest ends...and another begins. Our winter redemption contest is on! Bring in your Hy-Vee receipts and Box Tops to help your grade stay warm with a HOT CHOCOLATE PARTY!

Which Hy-Vee receipts can be submitted?

- Hy-Vee receipts have to come from a store in **Cedar Rapids** or **Marion**
 - **Hy-Vee, Hy-Vee Drugstore, or Hy-Vee Gas** receipts all count!
- Almost all purchases within made within Hy-Vee count, including **Hy-Vee Starbucks, pharmacy, or Wine & Spirits** purchases!

QUALIFYING RECEIPTS

Hy-Vee Gas Stations
(3 in CR and 1 in Marion)

Hy-Vee Car Washes

Starbucks & Caribous
(Located Inside a CR or Marion Hy-Vee)

Laundry, Postage & Mailing Supplies

Wine/Spirits Department

Pharmacy Department

Hy-Vee Market Grille & Express
(3 in CR)

Electronic copies

Floral Department

Catering/Bulk Purchases for
School Concessions or Celebrations

Gift Cards (Purchased at Hy-Vee)

NON-QUALIFYING RECEIPTS

Money Orders

Western Union

Bill Payment

Gift Card Activation Slips

Casey's Gas Stations

Lottery

Garbage Stickers



Receipts for the Hy-Vee Cash 4 Students program must be from the 13 Cedar Rapids and Marion Hy-Vee Food Stores and Drugstores. Receipt total to include tax.



January

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
31 NO SCHOOL	1 NO SCHOOL	2 School Resumes Early Birds Day 6	3 Band AM 2 nd Grade Aquatics Orch PM Day 7	4 Early Birds 2 nd Grade Aquatics Day 8
7 2 nd Grade Aquatics Day 1	8 Orch AM Vol. Wkshp. 8:45-10:45 2 nd Grade Aquatics PTO Meeting 6:30 EB Singing @BB game 7:30 Day 2	9 Early Birds 2 nd Grade Aquatics Day 3	10 Band AM 2 nd Grade FT Orch PM Day 4	11 Early Birds Day 5
14 NO SCHOOL	15 Orch AM Day 6	16 Early Birds Day 7	17 Band AM Orch PM Day 8	18 Early Birds Day 1
21 NO SCHOOL	22 Orch AM Day 2	23 Early Birds Day 3	24 Band AM Orch PM Day 4	25 Early Birds Honor Choir PTO Event Sock Hop 6-7:30 pm Day 5
28 Day 6	29 Orch AM KDG Round Up 6:00 p.m. Day 7	30 Early Birds Day 8	31 Band AM Orch PM 5th Gr Band Concert 6:15 HS Day 1	Feb 1 Day 2