How is it possible we are already 7 days into the month of October??? The other day I was out and about visiting classrooms, talking with kids, and said “hello, how are you doing?” to a student in the hallway, the response I received was “I’m good, Mr. Johnson, how are you?” This happens daily when I see kids at school, and I’m so proud of them for responding in this manner - it’s not as common as it once was. However, it happens with regularity here … be proud of your child and THANK YOU for providing them with such a solid foundation to grow upon.

If you’ve been noticing on Facebook we have so much going on at our schools, and every single day you send your young scholar to us, our staff is working hard to provide them with the best education possible. I can’t say enough about the awesomeness going on inside of the walls of our campuses. If you see a staff member I’d encourage you to thank them - I promise you they are working hard for your child.

**Students of the Month**

- **Beckemeyer**
  - Kindergarten - Annabelle Howard
  - 1st Grade - Taylor Trame

- **Breese**
  - 2nd Grade - Pearl Walthes
  - 3rd grade - Olivia Ruhl
  - 4th Grade - Lily Paulk
  - 5th Grade - Katelyn Schlarman
  - 6th Grade - Brady White
  - 7th Grade - Dameyn Rakers
  - 8th Grade - Averie Catlin

**Student Council Elections**

- 6th grade: Peyton Benhoff, Caden Klay, Dylan McMinn, Lucah Lyons
- 7th grade: Jensen Tebbe, Easton Becker, Abby Shanafelt, Will Sander
- 8th grade: Kali Kuhl, Ava Radloff, Claire Bigman, Andrew Jansen

**Sports**

- Congratulations to our Boy’s Baseball Team! They are Regional Champs and will be playing in the Semifinals of the State Tournament on 10/8 versus Nashville at 1:00.
- 6th Grade Girl’s Basketball team won the Germantown Tournament … Congratulations!!!
- 7th and 8th Grade Boy’s Basketball tryouts will be Friday from 6-8:30p and Saturday 9a-11:30a this week (10/11 and 10/12) in the Brese gym.
- Breese 8th Grade Pool Play Tournament begins October 21st.
Music
- The Marching Bobcat Band placed third in the Junior High Division of the marching bands at the Mt. Vernon parade on Saturday. Congratulations!!!
- Concert Updates: K-2 Christmas concert date - December 10 and the band and chorus Christmas concert will be on December 9. Both concerts begin at 7:00 PM.
- 3rd graders are still playing the ukulele.
- 4th graders are working hard learning their recorders.

PTC
- Monthly raffles have started, our first drawing was held on October 5th and the 1st place winner was David Quinn and 2nd place winner Amanda Kaegy. Tickets should be turned into the office after they have been purchased but can be sold all year long.
- McTeacher night is October 15th from 4-8pm. Come on out and get some food from your favorite teachers!

Sports Boosters
- The school Carnival was a success. Thank you for coming out and showing your support.
- Keep an eye out for Spirit Wear order information. Information will be coming soon!

Other News
- If a student forgets their PIN # to eat breakfast or lunch, they are still able to eat.
- Please contact the Beckemeyer Office (618-227-8242) if you are reporting an absence for a student in grades PreK-1.
- Breese dropoff and pickup should be done at the 7th Street Entrance due to bus traffic at the main entrance on Memorial Drive. Breese drop off time is 7:15am and dismissal is 2:45pm. Beckemeyer drop off is 7:15a and dismissal is 2:30p.

Upcoming Dates
- October 11th - 11:30 Dismissal
- October 14th - NO SCHOOL Columbus Day
- October 14th - ILMEA All-District Festival Auditions
- October 16th - End of 1st Quarter
- October 22nd & 24th - Parent/Teacher Conferences 4-8pm.
- October 24th - Picture Retakes for both Breese and Beckemeyer
- October 24th - 5th-8th Girls and Boys Basketball Pictures and Cheer Pictures
- October 25th - NO SCHOOL Teacher Institute
- October 27th - Breese Halloween Parade