

Spring 2023



BRISTOL

LOCAL SCHOOLS...

Your home away from home.

Welcome!



As we approach the end of the school year, I want to take a moment and celebrate the things that make Bristol a great place to build up our students into great community members.

As a first-year principal, I could not have asked for a better staff to continue our journey to better our students. They work extremely hard and help prepare your students for success. We had two staff members welcome new members to their family, and we congratulate Mrs. Little and Mr. Nowery.

Our community has done a great job in investing in our students and school and we are seeing the dividends. We see it on the athletic fields, extracurricular activities, and school sponsored clubs. We look forward to the continued support as we work to help our students succeed in the classroom, representing Bristol in different ways, and becoming members of our community.

HIGH SCHOOL UPDATES

BETA Club Excels in State Convention

Our Bristol BETA Club participated in the State Convention earlier this year and performed extremely well. Bristol won the overall state BETA Award! Brooke Smith was elected State Convention President. Peyton Gall won "Best in Show" for her artwork. Bristol won 21 individual awards in the Academic category, 21 individual awards in Art, and 10 awards in Performing Arts. Congratulations to our BETA Club members and supervisors Mr. Nowery and Mrs. Prischak!



Prep Bowl places 2nd in Regional Competition

Our Prep Bowl team competed in a regional competition and made Bristol proud! They competed and defeated larger schools: Boardman, Austintown Fitch, and Ursuline during pool play. They were defeated in a rematch with Ursuline and placed 2nd! What a testament to our school and staff to be a part of this process and prepare our students to succeed.



Upcoming Dates

As we approach the end of the year, here are some important dates to mark on your calendars:
 JH Spring concert - April 25
 HS Spring concert - April 26
 Prom - April 28
 Academic Awards - May 18
 Graduation - May 26

GO PANTHERS!

Mr. Daniel Collins
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 Junior High and High School Principal

APRIL 2023						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9 Easter Sunday	10 Easter Monday	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18 Tax Day	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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MAY 2023						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5 Cinco de Mayo	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 Mother's Day	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29 Memorial Day	30	31			

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ELEMENTARY NEWS

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

It is hard to believe we are heading towards the end of another school year. This year has delivered a lot of excitement at Bristol. We were able to fully bring back activities that were altered by the pandemic as well as begin a new program. Several community members were able to come read to our students again. Our after school test preparation program was resurrected. The Halloween Parade and holiday parties were able to take place as usual. For the first year, we held a K-6 Veteran's Day assembly. The students and staff are grateful for all of the veterans that came to the event! Finally, a new club called Panther PAL's (Pride, Academics, Leadership) was created with the goal of empowering student leaders within our school.

Our building continues to get improvements. This year, we replaced doors and updated our entry system. We have added more technology to our classrooms. As the need arises we are replacing outdated smart boards and projectors with flat screen tv's and clevertouch technology. We also continue to update and add additional chromebooks to our inventory. We are also excited to begin a new phonics series with our K-2 students next year.

Sincerely,
Nathan Kish, Principal

TEACHER NEWS

I would like to take a moment to congratulate Mrs. Stewart on her retirement. We are grateful for her dedication to our students at Bristol over the years. I would also like to acknowledge that there will be some shifting of our staff next year. Mrs. Fick will be moving from first grade to kindergarten. Mrs. Donatelli will be moving into first grade and Miss Merkel will be our new second grade teacher.



Finally, we are all very saddened by the passing of our beloved kindergarten teacher, Mrs. Nicole Denman. Mrs. Denman bravely bore her battle with cancer the past two and a half years, striving to be there for her students and colleagues as much as she possibly could. Mrs. Denman taught in our district for 29 years. She had a great impact on the lives of many in this community; students, staff, and parents. She will be greatly missed and always remembered.

IMPORTANT DATES

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Kindergarten registration is now open! If you would like to sign your child up for Kindergarten, please **contact the office** **before June 6th** **or after August 3rd**, at 330-889-2700 between 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM.

Visit the school website for updates on school activities and calendar events.

PTO NEWS

We have had a great year fundraising and appreciate all of the help from our school community. We look forward to helping to fund spring and fall field trips, teacher appreciation week and end of the year student activities. If you would like to join the PTO, please follow us on Facebook by scanning the QR Code to stay up to date with upcoming events, fundraisers and meetings.



PANTHER P.A.L.S PROGRAM

This year we implemented a program to promote leadership in our sixth graders. These students had to apply for the position by filling out an application, getting teacher references, maintaining good grades and having outstanding behavior.

Our Panther P.A.L.s (Pride, Academics, and Leadership) have done a tremendous job displaying the traits of an excellent leader. They started the beginning of the year by helping the kindergarteners and new students during our Open House. It was nice to see the students greeting everyone at the door when families arrived. Next, they kicked off the year with a "Welcome Back" assembly, creating their own skits, slogan, and video to teach students the expectations of our school.

These students also hosted a Veterans' Day Assembly for our community veterans serving them donuts and thanking them for their service. We are hoping to see many more veterans attend next year! Some other things the P.A.L.s have done are: created posters for Red Ribbon Week, helped with Jump Rope for Heart, created various bulletin boards that promoted a positive environment, and cleaned up our school grounds for Earth Day. I am beyond proud of these students for all of their hard work this year. They exceeded my expectations! I can't wait to see what our new P.A.L.s will do next year!

-Mrs. Donatelli



MESSAGE FROM OUR SRO

In my short time here, I have completed the following. I have conducted several surveys of current security practices. I have evaluated physical security reaching out to staff to reinforce the importance to maintain a locked and secure facility as well as other concerns. I have opened up what I believe is an effective line of communication with staff to address any issues in regard to security. I have met in person with Mr. Collins, Mr. Kish and other staff members in regard to these issues. I created the following presentations:

1. Sextortion – addressing the emerging issues with online predators. (This was presented to students on Feb 8).
2. Vaping - addressing issues with vaping to include health issues and legal issues as well as violation of school policy. (Pending presentation to students).
3. Bullying – addressing the issues with bullying, (This was forwarded to elementary staff for individual presentation).
 - Completed threat assessment training (online)
 - Attended Trauma informed training (presented by Ms. Perry on Jan 15).
 - Organized Security Manual - to include Staff contact info, maps, current Bristol Emergency Operations Plan, Student contact info.
 - Worked diligently to develop positive relations with students and staff to build rapport and increase communication.
 - Currently in processes of acquiring tip / concern box to be posted at SRO office. Working on procedure to establish anonymous tip box and its implementation.

Deputy Thompson (Bristol SRO)

SCHOOL SAFETY



MESSAGE FROM OUR SOCIAL WORKER

As Bristol School District's School Social Worker, I help students to build resilience and improve social and emotional health through in-school individual and group support, classroom and grade-level presentations, referrals, behavioral health treatment, and follow-ups. I have assisted in crisis de-escalation, assessed for suicidality, provided grief support to students and staff, and provided recommendations to parents and staff regarding student behavior. I offer a safe space for all kiddos to talk about anything they may need to, addressing behavioral concerns in all areas including in the classroom, in the community, and at home. I recently began implementing a monthly staff support group and a weekly mental health focused newsletter highlighting the importance of self-care and managing stress as well. This is my first year here at Bristol and I am eager to see what the future holds!

-Miss Perry

SPELLING BEE

The annual Bristol Elementary School Spelling Bee was held on January 5, 2023. Noah Bright, 5th grade, was this year's champion. Jakobie Austin, 5th grade, was the runner up. Noah will represent Bristol at the Scripps National Spelling Bee. Congratulations to our winners and a job well done by everyone who competed!





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BRISTOL LOCAL SCHOOL - 2023/2024 School Calendar

August 18th, 2023	Friday	Floating Teacher Inservice Day	February 19, 2024	Monday	Presidents' Day / NO SCHOOL
August 21-22, 2023	Mon. & Tues.	Teacher Inservice Days	February 20-23, 2024	Tues. - Fri.	Kindergarten Registration 10 A.M. - 2 P.M.
August 23, 2023	Wednesday	Students' First Day	March 18, 2024	Monday	End 3rd Nine weeks
September 4, 2023	Monday	Labor day / NO SCHOOL	March 22, 2024	Friday	Teacher Inservice Day / NO SCHOOL
October 12, 2023	Thursday	Early Dismissal - HS 1:10/Elem 1:50 Parent Conferences - HS 1:30-8:00 Elem 2:30-9:00	March 29 & Apr. 1, 2024	Fri. & Mon.	NO SCHOOL - Spring Break
October 13, 2023	Friday	NEOEa Day / NO SCHOOL	April 17-18, 2024	Wed. & Thurs.	Kindergarten Screening
October 25, 2023	Wednesday	End 1st Nine weeks	May 20, 2024	Monday	Tentative Senior Last Day
October 27, 2023	Friday	Teacher Inservice Day/ NO SCHOOL	May 23, 2024	Thursday	End 4th Nine Weeks/ Last Day for Students
November 22-27, 2023		NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Break			Early Dismissal - HS 11:50/Elem 12:30
December 21, 2023 - January 1, 2024		NO SCHOOL - Winter Break	May 24, 2024	Friday	Teacher Inservice Day - Last Day Graduation 7:00 PM
January 12, 2024	Friday	Teacher Inservice Day/ NO SCHOOL End 2nd Nine weeks	May 27, 2024	Monday	Memorial Day
January 15, 2024	Monday	Martin Luther King Day / NO SCHOOL	May 24-31, 2024		Calamity Day Make Up - If needed
February 15, 2024	Thursday	Early Dismissal - HS 1:10/Elem 1:50 Parent Conferences - HS 1:30-8:00 Elem 2:30-9:00	June 3, 2024	Thursday	Calamity Teacher Inservice - If needed
February 16, 2024	Friday	NO SCHOOL			

Adopted 2/8/23

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