



# The Panther Preview!



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## Character Counts Corner

### If You Were Arrested for Kindness

If you were arrested for kindness, would there be enough evidence to convict you?

Some people cheer up a room by entering it, others by leaving it.

What do you bring to your interactions with workmates, friends, and family? Is it encouragement, optimism, or kind words? Or is it pessimism, criticism, or cynicism?

People often forget what we say and usually what we do, but as Maya Angelou said, "They always remember how we made them feel."

Here are some other wise words about kindness:

"Wise sayings often fall on barren ground, but a kind word is never thrown away."

– Sir Arthur Helps

"You will regret many things in life, but you will never regret being too kind or too fair."

– Brian Tracy

"Don't wait for people to be kind. Show them how."

– Anonymous

"The smallest act of kindness is worth more than the grandest intention."

– Oscar Wilde

"That best portion of a good man's life: his little, nameless, unremembered acts of kindness and of love."

– William Wordsworth

"Kindness is loving people more than they deserve."

– Joseph Joubert

"We are made kind by being kind."

– Eric Hoffer

"Remember not only to say the right thing in the right place, but far more difficult still, to leave unsaid the wrong thing at the tempting moment."

– Benjamin Franklin

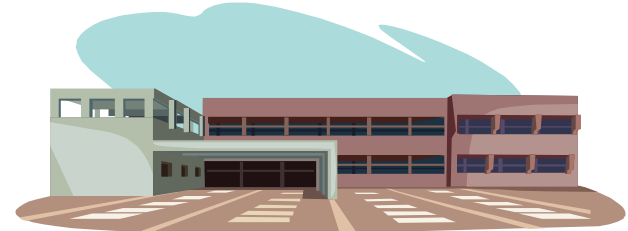
"You cannot do a kindness too soon, for you never know how soon it will be too late."

– Ralph Waldo Emerson

"Kindness is more important than wisdom, and the recognition of this is the beginning of wisdom."

– Theodore Isaac Rubin, M.D.

"Today I bent the truth to be kind, and I have no regret, for I am far surer of what is kind than I am of what is true."  
– Robert Brault



## School and Community Events

**End of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Today! No School on Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup>! Report Cards Go Home October 20th.**

It is hard to believe, but today marks the end of the first quarter. **There will be no school on Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup>. Enjoy a fall break day.** Report Cards will be coming home on Thursday, October 20th.

### Bennet Elementary Boosters to Host Family Fall Festival

The Bennet Elementary Boosters will be hosting a Family Fall Festival on Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. on the south side of the elementary school. **There will be free food, fun and games for the entire family.** Hot dogs, chips, hot chocolate cider, etc, will be served.

Come and enjoy a fun night as a family playing games, going on a hayrack ride, painting faces, and many other fun activities. Bring a pumpkin and paint it or bring a few extras and share them with friends. Costumes are optional.

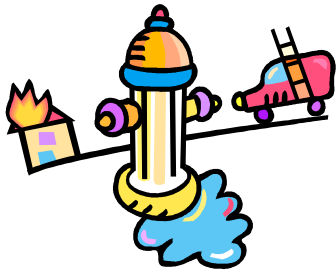


### Teammates Mentoring Program and Palmyra Action League Sponsors Second "TRUNK OR TREAT!"

The local District OR1 Chapter of Teammates along with the Palmyra Action League will be sponsoring a Trunk or Treat Halloween event on Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. The event will take place on Main Street in Palmyra (C Street between 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> street). Students in grades 6 and younger are welcome to come in a costume to trick or treat on Main St.



in Palmyra. Fee Will Donation with all donations given to the Bennet/Palmyra Backpack Program.



### **Bennet Fire and Rescue Department Fire Safety Assembly**

Members of the Bennet Fire and Rescue Department were at Bennet Elementary early Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, as part of activities for Fire

Prevention Month in October. After a fire drill at 8:45, students returned to the cafeteria for a program on fire safety. Following the assembly at the elementary, firefighters paid a visit to the preschool.

The theme for this year's Fire Safety Week was "Protect Your Family From Fire." Students received a packet of materials from fire department members detailing many common fire hazards in and around the home. Fireman Tim Norris talked extensively about common fire hazards in and around the home. There were many possible fire hazards displayed around the cafeteria. Students used their "spy goggles to spot the hazards and Fireman Tim explained why each hazard was a potential fire hazard. Fire Department members had many household items on display that could cause house fires. Students learned about being careful when they cook. They learned about not overloading electrical outlets, keeping space heaters away from combustible materials, not leaving candles burning when they leave the room and many other precautions.

Our thanks to all of the members of the Bennet Fire and Rescue Department for taking the time out of their day to come up to Bennet Elementary and provide such a great assembly.



Bennet Elementary Students use their "Fire Hazard Goggles" to spot potential fire hazards in the cafeteria at the assembly on Wednesday.

### **Fire and Rescue Department to Host Annual Pancake Feed and Open House**

Stop by the Bennet Rural Fire and Rescue Dept. Fire Station on Saturday morning, October 15<sup>th</sup>, between 6:30 – 11:00 a.m., for their annual Open House and Pancake Feed. There will be demonstrations, equipment displays, and many booths and tables set up for the public to enjoy. The Star Care Helicopter will make an appearance. There will be lots of other activities for everyone. And at the end of the open house the drawing for the Fire Truck Ride to School will take place! Come on out to the Bennet Fire Station Saturday morning! The pancake Breakfast is a free will donation.

### **Trustworthiness - Wear Blue!**

Character Counts at Bennet Elementary and we are exercising our character. Students are focusing on the Trustworthy pillar for the month of October. Students are asked to wear blue on Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup> as we focus on being honest, reliable, and loyal. Being trustworthy also means you don't deceive, cheat or steal and you have the courage to do the right thing. This all helps build a kid of character. Exercise Character and wear blue on Monday!

### **Palmyra Post Prom Committee Fund Raiser**

The Palmyra Post Prom Committee is selling T-shirts, Sweatshirts, Beanies, and Cinch Sacks as a fundraiser to make money for Post Prom Activities in April. You may pick up order forms in the school office

### **FCCLA Coat Drive**

The Palmyra FCCLA is currently sponsoring a Coat Drive. They are accepting coats, jackets, hats, scarves, mittens and gloves through October. There are drop boxes in the cafeterias of Palmyra and Bennet Schools. This is a good time to clean out those closets of unused winter clothing and bring them in to the FCCLA drop boxes. They are accepting both adult and children sizes. Thanks in advance for your donations.



### **Science Camp at Bennet Elementary**

A fun way to spend Fall Break! A one day Science Camp on Oct 21st from 8:00-5:00. Cost is \$45 per registered student. Open to K-6 students. Limited to 15 students. Early and after care offered. Call 402-890-0964 or email Mrs.Science@ScienceReconnect.com to reserve your space. We will have fun exploring slime, density and flight in the mobile science lab.

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