

# Bunker Hill Highlights



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## Important Dates

- Jan. 3 - Welcome Back to School
- Jan. 6 - Report Cards Issued
- Jan. 10 - Parent Teacher Conferences  
from 6-8pm by appointment
- Jan. 12 - 2 hr. Delay for Students
- Jan. 16 - HOLIDAY - No School  
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. observ.
- Jan. 17 - PTA Mtg 4pm
- Jan. 24 - 2 hr. delay for Students
- Jan. 26 - Bank Day

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During this time of year the weather outside and the temperature inside our classrooms can fluctuate dramatically. Make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the cool weather. PLEASE make sure your child has a warm winter jacket and appropriate shoes/boots EVERYDAY!



Students will go to the playground/track as weather permits throughout the winter.



### Keep in Touch with NTouch

We encourage all families to sign up for the Ntouch/Messenger notification system for Berkeley County Schools.

It's just the beginning of winter weather. School delays, cancellations, and early dismissals can cause chaos to our schedules.

Please make sure your contact data at school is correct. Simply text **one** of the following words to the number 68453: subscribe, optin, yes. **Do not miss any important messages.**

## Counselor's



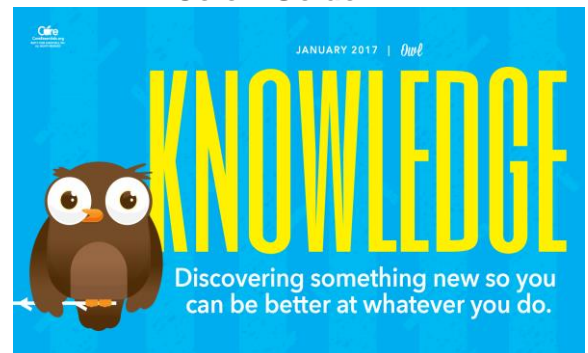
Core Essential Values

The Character word for January is

**Knowledge**

Animal: Owl

Color: Golden



We have the OLWEUS anti-bullying program in place at Bunker Hill Elementary. You can read about this program by going to the district website, [www.berkeleycountyschools.org](http://www.berkeleycountyschools.org) and clicking on the "More about OLWEUS" link.

### How to find us on the web:

Parents did you know that you can access information about Bunker Hill Elementary online?

Go to [www.berkeleycountyschools.org](http://www.berkeleycountyschools.org)

Click on the "Select A School" tab and "Bunker Hill Elementary"

Our site is constantly being upgraded, but you will find the **school newsletter, school menu, many quick links, PTA information, & many parent resources.**

**IF YOU PACK A SCHOOL LUNCH FOR YOUR CHILD...PLEASE REMEMBER TO INCLUDE UTENSILS.**

# Office Notes

- Please make sure your child's name is written on **all** their personal items like book-bags, lunch boxes and coats.
- **Please put your child's first & last name and their teacher's name on all notes you send to school.**
- Please send a note with your child if their after-school dismissal will be different than usual (ex. early pickup, bus number change, parent pick-up).
- **If you pick up your child early from school, please notify their daycare provider.**



## A Note From the Nurse...

Bunker Hill Elementary School has already had quite a few illnesses this school year (stomach flu, pink eye, strep, head lice & bronchitis just to name a few). 'Cold and flu' season is just getting started!

**Please, Please, Please** adhere to the following guidelines before sending your child back to school after an illness. **These guidelines are for the protection of your child as well as the others in his/her classroom.**

- Fever free for the past 24 hours **without** the use of fever reducing medications such as Tylenol.
- No vomiting or diarrhea within the past 24hrs
- The child's appetite and activity level have returned to close to normal.
- Cold symptoms that are mild enough so as not to interfere with your child's ability to participate in the activity of a normal school day or infect other students. Please remember that cold and cough medicines, including cough drops cannot be given to students by school staff without a doctor's order.

**If you have questions, PLEASE call the office.**

## Attendance & Tardy Policy



Our school day begins at 8:45. If a student is eating breakfast, he/she should arrive by 8:30.

**Students need to be in their classrooms and ready to learn by 8:45.**

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**Students arriving after 8:45 must be signed-in at the office.**

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When a student is absent from school, a **note from the parent/guardian (or doctor) must be presented within 48 hours for the absence.** If the absence is due to a 'family emergency' it will remain unexcused unless an explanation is provided.

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Absences for trips that have educational value may be excused if proper procedure is followed.

- Leave of educational value forms are available in the office and must be submitted in advance for the absence to be considered excused.

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When schools are operating on a **two-hour delay** the doors open at 10:20.

**Instruction begins promptly at 10:45.**

Lunches begin at 10:50. **If possible, breakfast should be served before arriving at school.**



**Remember that riding the bus is a privilege!**

Remind your students to follow the rules and be on their best behavior when on the bus!



If you want more information about this program or an application to become part of the **Watch D.O.G.S. program** please call the school office or send a note with your child.