Oct. 9, 2023

Good Morning,

I hope you are all off to a great start this week. Fall is upon us for sure so remind your students to dress warmly if they are going outside for recesses. I also want to remind you that we do not have school on Friday, Oct. 13th as it is a Teacher Inservice. We have had some issues with our phone system at school. The phone company is aiming to fix this but it could take a few weeks. We are unable to call long-distance from the school phones in the meantime. Please check your emails and be sure your email addresses in skyward are correct as we may use email more for non emergency reasons. In an emergency, we can still use personal cell phones to make calls.

Please keep supporting your students when they get home by asking them if they have homework or asking them about their day. If you make that connection at home regularly, your child knows you value what we are doing at school. This can make a huge difference in school performance. Thank you for your support as I see how it makes a difference for our students. I believe this is what sets Belmont apart from other school districts.

As we are winding down fall sports seasons, I have one big update for volleyball. The volleyball team earned the #7 seed for the WIAA Tournament and will play at home versus River Ridge on October 17th. Here is the link for the WIAA Tournament Bracket: <u>https://halftime.wiaawi.org/CustomApps/Tournaments/Brackets/HTML/2023_Volleyba</u><u>Il_Girls_Div4_Sec3_4.html</u> The football team plays at DeSoto on Friday night in their final regular season game. Playoffs are yet to be determined. Cross Country has their Conference Meet on Thursday, Oct. 12th at River Ridge and their Sectionals on October 20th. Best of luck to all of our student-athletes!

The School Musical, "Annie", will be performed on Nov. 10th-12th. They are ramping up practices as they get closer to the date but please mark your calendars so you can come and see their performance.

Here is this week's snapshot for events. Oct. 9th Schedule Have a great week!

Sincerely,

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Superintendent