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Staff Spotlight Contributed by Lateese F, Room 17

Shine on...Ms. Bridgid"

This month the spotlight is on Ms. Bridgid. Ms. Bridgid has been working here for six months. She is an occupational therapist for students 8-18 years of age. Her favorite activity at Re-ED is the Thanksgiving feast. Ms. Bridgid's favorite vacation spot is Topsail, North Carolina. Outside of work she loves to spend time with friends and family. One interesting fact about Ms. Bridgid is she has 35 first cousins! Finally, her favorite quote is, "It's never too late to be what you might have been." ~Mary Ann Evans (aka George Elliot)

Random Acts of Kindness

Since February is the month in which we celebrate love, we are pleased to introduce a new initiative in Bedford that rewards love and kindness toward others. Students can be nominated for Random Acts of Kindness which have been observed by staff. Each month, those students will be featured in our newsletter and on our Kindness Wall outside the office (the bulletin board in the front hallway). Here are this month's Kind Kids:

Asa A: "Asa has shown outstanding social skills lately! He helped a student wait and walk to the bus, and let upset students cut him in line at the bathroom."

"Asa has been encouraging and giving compliments to others during Kids Love Musicals."

Jeremy P: "This student is being recognized for his continual efforts in displaying maturity. I have witnessed Jeremy being kind to his peers through positive interactions that have exemplified what a true scholar represents. I also admire Jeremy for being a 'big brother' to our younger students. Jeremy, thank you for your kind acts and gestures. I do hope these acts of kindness can become a big

epidemic in our world. 'It never hurts to be kind!' If we keep that motto close to us, this world would be a much better place."

Lateese F: "Lateese is good at assisting teachers in the morning upon arrival".

"Lateese is kind to another student who looks up to him".

Liam O: "Liam has (on more than one occasion) shared donuts with the school."

Matthew B: "Matthew has been cleaning up after others, unprompted!"

Will S: "Will brought in a game from home to let peers play."

Zachary M: "Zach has been helping other people clean."



From L to R: Liam, Lateese, Jeremy, Asa, Will, Zach, Matthew

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Jolee the Therapy Dog

Contributed by Paul F, Room 16

I interviewed Ms. Helen and Jolee during my visit. I interviewed them because I wanted to know more about them. They live in Willowick, Ohio. Jolee is a 3 year old yellow lab that has been a therapy dog since last April. Jolee likes to eat anything. Ms. Helen helps at the Cleveland Zoo. Ms. Helen's ancestors came from Ireland and Germany. Ms. Helen's favorite museums are the Cleveland Art Museum and The Louvre. They come to Re-Ed on Thursday afternoons. Every two weeks I get to see them for 20 minutes. During my visit I get to pet Jolee, read to Jolee, and give Jolee treats. I like my time with Jolee and Ms. Helen.



Mark Your Calendar!

There is always something to look forward to here at Re-Ed and February and early March are no different. The Kids Love Musicals presentation of Peter Pan was done on February 26th to great success! In addition, the Healthy Heart initiative sponsored by the American Heart Association raised just over \$950 with both campuses participating! Well done students and families! Room 12 (Mr. Matt's room) was the proud winner of collecting the most here at Bedford.

In early March, we will be celebrating Read Across America on Friday, March 1st. All students will gather to read together for a short period of time, with some shared reading between the older and younger students.

Finally, we love to celebrate Dr. Seuss! The following Seuss Spirit activities are planned for the first week in March. Help your child participate in the fun by posting this for the whole family to see:

Monday March 4: Celebrate *The Cat in the Hat* by wearing your favorite hat to school.

Tuesday, March 5: Oh the Places You'll Go by wearing a shirt with words, or a college shirt.

Wednesday, March 6: Its *Wacky Wednesday* – mis-match clothing and/or accessories...mix it up and have fun!

Thursday, March 7: The Foot Book can be fun when you wear crazy socks and shoes!

Friday, March 8: *The Lorax*...a great read and timeless classic. Celebrate by dressing as your favorite Dr. Seuss character!





Celebrating birthdays this month:

Jaylin H	Feb 1
Mr. Benji	Feb 3
David H	Feb 3
Tremayne K	Feb 6
Ms. Courtney	Feb 17
Matt B	Feb 25

Crafty Corner

Paper Bowl Snowman

Materials:

- Paper bowl
- Black & blue cardstock
- Black buttons
- Orange adhesive felt sheet
- Googly eyes
- Pink paint
- Sponge dabber paint brush
- Tacky glue
- Foam snowflakes (optional)
- Stapler

Instructions:

- Begin by pouring a small amount of pink paint onto a paper plate. Use your sponge dabber to paint rosy cheeks on bottom of your paper bowl. Let paint dry completely.
- 2. Cut a square and rectangle out of your black cardstock to form a snowman hat. Use your stapler to first staple the square at the top of the paper bowl. Then staple the rectangle brim of the hat at the bottom of the square piece.
- blue cardstock to make a snowman scarf. Then cut out another smaller rectangle to look like the scarf is wrapped around the snowman's neck. Staple the scarf at the bottom of your paper bowl. Cut slits along the ends of the scarf with scissors.
- Cut out a carrot nose from your orange adhesive foam sheet.
 Glue your googly eyes on your paper bowl snowman craft. Then peel the backing off your foam sheet carrot and place it on your snowman. Finally glue a black button mouth onto your snowman craft.

