

October 2019

Hot Off the Pratt Press!

This is a reminder to all parents that this
Friday, October 4, 2019

is a **Superintendents Conference Day.**

This means that there will be
no Student attendance that day.

School will resume as normal on
Monday, October 7th, 2019



Pratt Halloween Parade

On Halloween, please send your child's costume in with them. They are not to wear it to school. On Halloween, we will be having the Pratt Elementary Halloween Parade. **The time is to be determined.** To be able to attend, please have your license/ID out and sign in in the Pratt Elementary Foyer. Please do not wear costumes, masks or face paint to the school. Thank you!

Barker Central's Open House

Everyone is invited to BCS's Open House on **Thursday, October 3, 2019**

Pratt Elementary will be having visiting hours From 6:00-7:30 pm.

This is the perfect opportunity to visit your child's classroom and meet their teacher! Also, a great time to set up Parent-Teacher Conferences!

October 2019 Events

Lions Halloween Party

The Barker Lions Club will be having its annual Halloween party on October 31 from 7 - 8:30 pm (following trick or treating in the village). Children from infant up through 6th grade are invited to attend. Cider, donuts and apples will be available. There will be a costume parade and prizes!

Open House Thursday, October 3 rd 6:00-7:30pm	Superintendent's Day No School for Students Friday October 4 th	Columbus Day— No School Monday, Oct. 14	Board of Ed. Mtg Oct. 15 at 7:00 pm	Fire Prevention Day Grades Pre-K-4th October 18th
Picture Day re-take Wednesday, Oct. 23	Box Tops For Education! Please start saving your Box Tops for November! Watch for a flyer with more information about the new way to save!	LionSEE Vision Screens Pre-K, K & 3 rd	Halloween Parade Oct. 31	Lions Club Halloween Party Oct. 31 at 7:00- 8:30pm



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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2 National Walk To School Day St. Patrick's Church 7:50am	3 Open House 6:00-7:30	4 Superintendent's conference day No School for Students 	5
6	7	8	9 5th Grade field trip to Albright Knox Art Gallery	10	11 4th Grade field trip Fort Niagara 3rd Grade Dictionary Distribution 8:00am	12
13	14  Columbus Day NO SCHOOL	15 Board of Education Meeting 7:00 pm	16	17	18 Fire Prevention Day Pre-K - 4th	19
20	21 LionSee Vision Screening Pre-K, K & 3rd	22	23  Re-Take Picture Day for Grades Pre K-12	24	25 Spirit Day! Rock Your Raider Gear! 	26
27	28	29	30	31 Halloween Parade		

HARD WORKER of the Month

Pratt Elementary is on the look-out for **HARD WORKERS** each month to become part of an elite group of students who strive to use positive character traits every day. One student from each grade level will be selected by staff each month.

Those students selected will have demonstrated the designated monthly trait on a regular basis.

Each month's trait will begin with a letter from the phrase **HARD WORKER**.

September's trait is HONEST.

October will focus on the trait of AMBITIOUS.

Honest (September)

Ambitious (October)

Reliable (November)

Dependable (December)

Witty (January)

Organized (February)

Respectful (March)

Kind (April)

Encouraging (May)

Responsible (June)

The following students have been selected for our first group of

HARD WORKERS

with the trait

HONEST:

Pre-K: Shayllah Heigl

Kindergarten: Riley Clark

1st Grade: Bryce Remington

2nd Grade: Chace Atwater

3rd Grade: Connor Baker

4th Grade: Brisset Lopez-Paz

5th Grade: Ava Kelemen

6th Grade: Dominic Cimato





Top Photo L-R:

Principal: Mr. Carter

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Instructional Support: Mrs. Thibault

Right Photo:

Principal: Mr. Carter

Pre-K: Shayllah Heigl



Parent Reminders

IMPORTANT BUS INFORMATION

For the safety and welfare of our children, when writing a note for your child to ride a different bus (other than his/her regularly scheduled bus) to a friend or relative's residence after school, it is very important that you include the following information in your note:

- * **Your child's first and last name.**
- * **Complete address where your child should be dropped off .**
- * **Name and Telephone number of the person where your child will be dropped off .**
- * **Bus number your child will be riding (if known).**
- * **All busing changes must be called in by 12:00pm that day to provide adequate time to properly make busing changes.**

Please have all information written legibly.

Last year's permanent blue slips need to be updated.

They are only good for one year.

If you have any questions, please call the Elementary Office at 795-3237.

Early Release/Early Pick Up

If you need to excuse/pick up your child during the school day, please send a note stating:

What time they are leaving

Who will pick them up

Why they are leaving

A phone number you can be reached at

If you are calling in to pick them up at the

end of the day, please call the

Elem. Office, 795-3237 by **12:00pm.**

Thank you!

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Community Members:

Barker Central Schools would like to invite you to participate in

**National Walk to School Day on
Wednesday, October 2nd.**

BCS students who turned in their permission slip will be dropped off at St. Patrick's church (1726 Quaker Rd) at **7:50am**, at which point they will be escorted on a walk to school by members of the

Barker and Somerset Police Departments, Barker Volunteer Fire Department, and Niagara County Sheriff's Department. Students who don't wish to participate will be dropped off at school as normal.

All community members are welcome to join us on the walk. There will be a designated area to park your vehicle in the lot at St. Patrick's.

If there is a need, overflow parking on the street will be available. There will be a bus provided to return you to your vehicle upon completion of the walk.

In the case of extremely inclement weather the event will be rescheduled for October 9th.

We hope that you can join us!

Sincerely,

Michael Carter

Principal, Barker Central School District

Barker Central's PTO News

Barker's PTO has a busy year planned with lots of up-coming events!

Please consider joining!

Membership forms were sent home and are available in the elementary office or on the Barker Central website.

Membership prices for the 1st family member is \$5.00, additional family members are \$4.00 each. Sign up at Open House & receive a free bag of popcorn!

Up-coming Events:

Book Fair

November 4-8

Volunteers are Needed & Appreciated!

A MESSAGE FROM THE SOMERSET POLICE DEPARTMENT

BARKER SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS



With school being back in session and school busses back on the road it is very important to be aware of the children who are getting on and off the bus and to keep them safe at all times.

Keep in mind these tips when seeing school busses:

- ◆ Flashing yellow lights means to start to **SLOW DOWN**
- ◆ **STOP** whether you are approaching from the front or the rear and **RED** lights are flashing
- ◆ It is **AGAINST THE LAW** to pass a bus with their **RED** lights flashing
- ◆ Not stopping could lead to a fine, imprisonment or ending a child's life!

**** Parents who are picking up their children, DO NOT park in the bus loop when picking up your child. Park in the Haight Road parking lot. ****

This will be strictly enforced.