

# BEAR NEWS

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## Principal's Corner



Dear Barnett Shoals Families,

Thank you for a wonderful start to the school year! Our children are coming to school ready to learn and seem so excited about the new school year. We just appreciate your positive attitude as you role-model for your children an excellent work ethic. Our students are calm and focused on being successful with their job of school. We have such a great community and it shows through our students.

We do need your help in making sure our students are in appropriate dress for school. We know we are going from our summer attire to our school dress. Please review with your children our Barnett Shoals Dress Code which was in your information folder. We know at this age it is the adults making the decisions so we appreciate all of your time and energy in teaching your child what is appropriate and what is not. A huge thanks to you all.

Thank you for helping us make early morning drop-off and afternoon dismissal so smooth. We appreciate everyone following procedures so nicely. It really has helped our routines to be safe, efficient and manageable. Please remember for Kindergarten through Fifth grade, dismissal is 2:30. If you need to sign out a child for an appointment, please do so by 2:15. After 2:15, we will ask you to get in the car pool line. Please remind everyone of this procedure. Again we appreciate everyone being so nice and helping each other make a very big system go so smoothly.

You are the best!  
Dr. White



## PTO Invitation

Please consider joining our PTO. The meetings are held the 1st Tuesday of every month at 6PM. Please watch for upcoming events in this newsletter.

## SOMETHING NEW!

In the interest of using our time wisely, we are going back to using our bell system to help all of us stay on track. The bell times are :

1st bell (arrival)	7:40 AM
2nd bell (tardy)	7:50 AM
3rd bell (dismissal)	2:30 PM

## Calendar of Upcoming Events

- August 17: K, 1st, 2nd Grade Curriculum Night and Title 1 overview 6-7 PM
- August 18: 3rd, 4th and 5th Grade Curriculum Night and Title 1 Overview 6-7 PM
- August 26: Early Release Day--Dismissal at 12:20
- August 27: 5th Grade Parent Breakfast (come and eat in the cafeteria with your child)
- Sept. 1: PTO Meeting 6 PM  
G.R.O.W. (Generating Respect and Responsibility for Our World) Meeting 7 PM