

# Alexander Bulldog Bark October 2017 Newsletter



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## News from the Principal

October is a very busy time here at Alexander.

Report Cards will be distributed on October 19<sup>th</sup> and Report Card Awards Ceremonies will be in the afternoons of October 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>. One of the biggest fundraisers for our school will be held this month! The Fall Festival will be on Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup>. In order to make this a fun event for our students, we need parent help and donations. (More information coming.) We are looking forward to all the exciting things to come this school year.

**REMINDER:** Jefferson Parish Schools will have early release on Wed., October 25<sup>th</sup>. Students are released at 1:10 p.m.

### Attendance Policy Reminder / Clarification:

As per the Jefferson Parish Procedures and Policies Manual for Parents and Students:

Students can miss no more than 10 days to be eligible for promotion.

**Conferences with teachers and administrators BY APPOINTMENT ONLY between the hours of 9:00 a.m. -2:30 p.m. Please schedule an appointment to ensure availability of teacher and /or administration for your appointment time. Thank you.**

### PBIS (POSITIVE BEHAVIOR INTERVENTION SUPPORTS)

Parents, please review our basic school expectations:

Be prepared.

Always be safe.

Respect other people and their property.

Kindness shows we care.



## Alexander Fall Fest

October 31, 2017

**Packages go on sale October 16th!**

ASBESTOS REPORT: No leaks were reported in the month of September, 2017.

Leslie Harrison,  
Principal  
Corinna Cannon,  
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### October

Students of the Month  
**Pre-K**

Yexlianiz Ramirez

**Kindergarten**

Sophia Contreras

**1st Grade**

Jencarlo Martinez

**2nd Grade**

Gerrard Solorzano

**3rd Grade**

Safa Sawaya

**4th Grade**

Landon Gonzalez

**5th Grade**

Cristian Gonzalez

### Teacher of the Month

Patricia Ordonez

### Employee of the Month

Liz Morales



**PRE-K** Fall is here! We will be learning about fall, harvest, and pumpkins. We will celebrate with our very own Pumpkin Patch.

**KINDERGARTEN** Kindergarten students are quickly learning our routine. They are already learning to read words and are working on writing simple sentences. In math, they are learning to count, write and recognize numbers to 10.

**1ST GRADE** The first graders are really falling into learning! It will be a great month for our first graders as we continue practicing our addition fluency. We will also be learning about long vowels and all kinds of nouns as the month continues. October will also be the start of our unit on spiders! We look forward to an awesome month!

**2nd GRADE** The second graders are looking forward to their field trip this month to Children's Museum . In reading, the students are working on determining main ideas and cause and effect in stories . In Math, the students are working on repeated addition (to prepare them for multiplication) and more addition and subtraction strategies with emphasis on place value. In Social Studies, they are working on a writing/continents project to show the origins of our multi-cultural families.

**3rd GRADE** We are starting our unit on addition and subtraction in Math. We will continue learning about animals and their adaptations in Science. In ELA, we will start reading about how the body works, and in Social Studies, we are learning about how technology has changed family and community life in Louisiana over time.

**4th GRADE** 4th grade will work on reading skills using the i-Ready workbooks. They will begin multiplication in Math. Please practice the multiplication facts at home with your child. In Science, they will learn about sound, light and heat, and in Social Studies they will study the north-east region of the United States. They will also begin using the *We The People* book.


**5th GRADE** This month the 5<sup>th</sup> graders are studying early civilization in Social Studies, chemical reactions and forces/motion in Science, and working on multiplication and division of multi-digit whole numbers in Math. The students are reading *Wonderstruck* and focusing on writing.

### PTO

The PTO is gearing up for the annual Fall Fest which will be held Tuesday, October 31. Packages will go on sale October 16th!

**Parents, please sign and send to school for your child to receive a Bonus Bone!!!**

Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent signature: \_\_\_\_\_

October	Snack day every Friday	
11	Raising Canes Night for Alexander 3 pm –9pm	
12	Alexander picture retakes	
13	End of 1st Marking Period	
<b>16</b>	<b>Fall Festival Packages Go on Sale!!!</b>	
17	Kona Ice Sale	
19	Report Cards Go Home	
23	Award Ceremonies 1st Grade (1:30 p.m.) & 2nd (2:15 p.m.)	
24	Award Ceremonies 5th (1:30 p.m.), 3rd (2:00 p.m.), 4th (2:30 p.m.)	
25	Early Release Day for students	
26	PBIS A/B conduct reward: Wear favorite Pumpkin/Fall/or Halloween shirt/socks with uniform bottoms. No masks!	
<b>30</b>	<b>Last day to buy Fall Festival Packages</b>	
<b>31</b>	<b>FALL FESTIVAL: Individual tickets, tokens &amp; Game Bands will be sold</b>	
November 1	Parent Conferences 1:00-4:00 p.m. NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS	



### LIBRARY NEWS

This month, students will be listening to stories and learning about fall.

Please help your child take care of their library books and make sure that they return them to school on their library day. Books should be kept in their school bags when they are not being read. Students should be reading every day. For the younger students, please read the stories to them or have them read a page and you read the next one. Students in grades 2-5 have begun taking AR tests and trying to earn points for prizes and a chance to win a bicycle.

### OTHER INFORMATION

Alexander does not allow classroom birthday parties. We will not accept cakes, cupcakes, or treats sent in for a child's birthday. Also, invitations for parties may NOT be handed out at school unless all students in the class are invited.

Label all sweaters, sweatshirts, jackets, school bags, lunch kits, etc. with permanent identification. We would like to get these things back to the children when they are left at school. The unidentified and unclaimed items are donated to Good Will.



Reminder: Cold weather uniform policy states that only RED long sleeved shirts may be worn under the uniform shirt. Only plain navy blue or red sweatshirts are allowed.

Parents are reminded that students may NOT bring any type of medication to school. Medication is only administered in the office IF proper authorization and medication forms have been received from the JPPSS Medication Office (504) 349-7770.