



Barnard Buzz

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From the Principal's Desk

Happy Thanksgiving !!!

I want to take this time to wish you all a Happy Thanksgiving. I hope this short vacation will help all of the children and parents who have had a touch of the flu-like virus or those who are fighting to stay healthy, a time to rest, be away from school germs and enjoy their family and friends.

At this Thanksgiving time, I have much to be thankful for.

First I am thankful for the BEES. I would like to thank ALL of the BEES for the outstanding service that you provide for the school, staff, children and community. It is YOU who help to make this school the most wonderful welcoming place, a place for children to learn and enjoy their early school years with many fun memories. The many projects that you work on help to make Barnard Academy a warm, friendly and inviting school environment. This is a very busy time of year and your untiring efforts on such projects as the Thanksgiving Luncheon and Holiday Workshop do not go unnoticed. We as a staff salute you and appreciate everything you do.

You definitely live up to your name as busy work BEES.

Secondly, I am thankful for the school board. I'd like to thank the Barnard School Board for their unselfish sacrifice of time and commitment to the school. You are an excellent school board to work with. You are supportive to the staff, children and myself, wise with wisdom and child-centered. It is a delight to work along-side a school board who are not trying to push their own agenda but always trying to keep the best education of the students in mind and the fiscal responsibility to the community.

Thirdly, I am thankful for each staff member who work so well together. The comraderie between each of you is so evident and the children know that each staff member cares for them and knows them by name. You all help make my job easier. Your love for children and your constant energy to provide the best education for each child is appreciated by parents. You work so hard to make Barnard Academy a fun place to work and a great place to learn. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

This also includes you Caz and Jean. Your sense of humor and fun teasing have made the children, staff, and parents know you better.

I am thankful for you, Joan. When you are not there I am reminded of how much you do to make my daily life better. You keep the wheel moving and help keep me focused.

Fourthly, I am thankful for the Central Office staff. Thank you for all those unseen jobs that you do that makes things run so smoothly. You are another part of the hand that helps to get our job done. Many in Barnard do not know how much you do to make things run so smoothly. Although you are out of sight of many, I know how much you do and I am thankful for each of you.

Dates to Remember

**November 25-27, - Thanksgiving
Vacation**

December 1- Book Fair opens

**December 7-Scheduled Flu Clinic at
WES**

**December 9-Winter
Performance**

**December 15- 3/4 Pentangle
Performance 12:30 pm**

December 17- Holiday Workshop

**December 17- School Board Mtg,
5 PM**

**January 26- School Board Mtg,
4:30 Pm**