



# Benton Express

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**Benton Elementary**  
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Support Helpers at Benton

Principal: Paige Clouse  
Counselor: John Stewart  
Secretary: Pam Franklin  
Nurse: Laura Stewart

Foster Grandparents



Grandma Bobbie  
Grandma Beverly  
Grandpa Tennill

[Benton Back to School Ice Cream Social](#)



Our first Benton parent night is scheduled for Sept. 13th from 5:30-6:30. Please plan on attending and visiting with our other Benton families and staff. We will be outside on the west side of the building on the playground.

## First Days of School

Benton is now in full swing with almost two weeks under our belt. Teachers and students have been working very hard getting to know one another and Benton expectations. This year we have 8 sections of first graders and two sections of kindergarteners. Our building popula-

tion is hovering around 225.

Students may be dropped in the morning @ 7:30. Please don't send your children any earlier. We won't have supervision in place until then. You may pick up your student at 2:55. Remember to please notify the



office before 2:30 if there is a change in how your child will be going home. Thank you for entrusting us with your child...we look forward to working with you. :)

## Upcoming Events:

- Sept. 2-Benton birthday celebrations*  
*Character Education assembly @ 2:15*
- Sept. 5-No School/Labor Day*
- Sept. 6-Parent Title meeting @ 5:30-BE café*  
*PTO mtg. @ 6:00pm-BE café*  
*SES Fair @ 7:00pm-BE café*
- Sept. 7-2:15 dismissal/PLC*
- Sept. 13-Ice Cream Social 5:30-6:30*
- Sept. 16-Homecoming/12:30 dismissal*
- Sept. 22-Monsanto Farm Safety Day*



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Marshall, MO 65340

*If your family has experienced the following events:*

- Reduction in wages
- Reduction in hours
- Loss of a job
- Change in the number of household members
- Began receiving food stamps or temporary assistance

Please contact your school office or stop by for an application for free or reduced price meal benefits. A new application may be submitted at any time during the school year.

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Benton Units of Study for September:

- ◆ All About Me
  - ◆ Communities
  - ◆ Community helpers
  - ◆ Start Smart (kindergarten sight word review)
    - ◆ Saxon Math
    - ◆ Benton Expectations
    - ◆ Gates-McGinite Testing
  - ◆ AIMSweb Reading Benchmarks conducted
- Busy Month :)



### **After School Program (ASP)**

Marshall Public Schools is fortunate to be able to offer an after school program at the elementary and middle school levels. Each building site has it's own program. There is a site coordinator and site helpers that supervise the children. Tutoring for student academic support is the major focus for the ASP. There is down time provided for the kiddos before tutoring begins. Students are collected at the end of the school day where they will be involved in many different types of activities until 5:30pm. Transportation is available for qualifying students. If you are interested in more information on this program, you may call Janine Machholz @ Northwest School or Lindsey Parton @ Central Office.



Applications are also available in the Benton School office.

### **Saxon Math**

You might have noticed that your student now has nightly math work. We have begun a new program that will scaffold through grades K-8. The Saxon philosophy is that math instruction should build on prior learning. New learning is presented in increments, with time provided between increments for practice. Mathematical strands are integrated throughout the year than taught in isolated units. We appreciate your support at home with this new program!!!!

