

# “B” INFORMED

Bierbusse/Boyle 6<sup>th</sup> Grade News

Trunk-Or-Treat next Monday Afternoon!

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## IMPORTANT NEWS

- **MEAP testing continues this week.** It is important that your child is well rested and eats a good breakfast the days of the tests. Please make sure your child is present for all testing dates. The **mathematics** test will be administered on Tuesday, October 18. The **social studies** test will be administered on Wednesday, October 19.

- **Fall break...** There is no school Friday, October 21. School resumes Tuesday, October 25.



**Classroom Fall Festivities...** The sixth grade will participate in the Halloween parade and trunk-or-treat on Monday, October 31. Following trunk-or-treat, students return to the classroom area for pizza, breadsticks and soda pop. Please contact Mrs. Bierbusse or Mrs. Boyle by sending in a note, email or phone letting us know if you would be interested in helping out with the festivities. **We are requesting \$2.00 from each student to cover the cost of food and pop. Money is due by Tuesday, October 25.**

- **Costumes...** If your child is participating in the Halloween parade, costumes and make-up may not be scary. Students will have time the afternoon of the parade to get dressed. Please leave plastic guns and knives at home. Costumes must also adhere to the Chatfield School dress code. Ladies should not wear costumes that reveal their mid drift. Spaghetti straps are not allowed. Dresses and skirts should be fingertip length. Your child will be asked to change if a costume is inappropriate. Thank you!
- **Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore Permission Slip...** Please be sure to ask your child for the permission slip. It is due back with a non-refundable \$25 deposit on Monday, November 7. You can obtain an additional copy of the permission slip by visiting the Middle School Newsletter link at Chatfield's web site.



## CLASSROOM CORNER

Students attend math every day. Each day your child will receive a math assignment. Please check your child's planner to stay informed on what lesson your child is completing.

In Social Studies, students will continue to explore a market economy reviewing the circular flow model, factors of production, law of supply and demand and our government's role in a market economy.

In Science, students will continue the ecosystems unit of study. This week, students will apply their knowledge and understanding of symbiosis by completing a fun writing assignment. Additionally, students will read and discuss abiotic and biotic factors

In English Language Arts students will continue reading the novel, Hatchet, by Gary Paulsen. Students will read, respond and discuss the text to improve reading comprehension and fluency skills.

**A vocabulary quiz is scheduled for Thursday, October 20, students will take a vocabulary word quiz testing their knowledge and understanding of vocabulary words found in the novel, *Hatchet*.** The word lists culminate over a three week period. After three weeks students are given a brand new vocabulary list. It is important that your child takes time to study the word list each evening. Not studying will result in a poor quiz grade.



### Canoe Trip Scheduled!

Please return the permission slip sent home regarding our canoe trip scheduled for this Thursday, October 20. The cost of the field study is \$1. Mrs. Bierbusse's class will canoe in the a.m. and Mrs. Boyle's class in the p.m..

## HOME SCHOOL CONNECTION FEEL FREE TO CONTACT US!

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# Hatchet Vocabulary

## List 1B

*Students should be ready for a quiz on Thursday, October 20.*

Students are responsible for knowing last week's words in addition to the new words listed. Each week students will need to know the vocabulary words from previous weeks, so that on Friday they are successful at completing the cumulative assessment.

### *Previous Week's Words:*

Amphibious  
Catch  
Hummocks  
Keening  
Motivated  
Wallow  
Wrenching

### *This Week's Words:*

**Skittered (verb):** To move in or as in a jittery or jerky way

**Exasperation (noun):** The state of being aggravated

**Flammable (adjective):** Capable of being easily ignited and of burning quickly

**Haunches (noun):** Hip or hindquarters of a human or animal ("up on haunches" means in a squatting position)

**Ignite (verb):** To catch on fire

**Painstaking (adjective):** Diligent care and effort

**Tinder (noun):** A very flammable substance adaptable for use as kindling