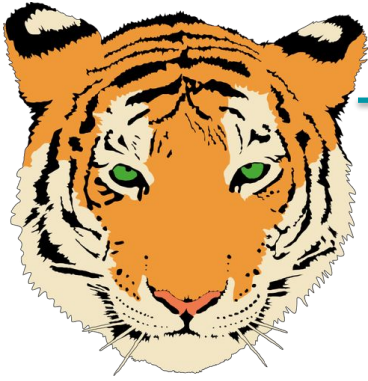


# Tiger Tales



October 2023

## A Note from Dr. Walker

Thank you for a great start to the school year. Please make sure that your child is here on time every day. When a student misses the first part of the morning, he or she misses valuable instruction. Students are expected to be in their seats ready to learn by 7:55 when the tardy bell rings. Thank you for helping to ensure that your child gets every minute of learning that they can!

*Dr. Walker*

## Important Dates

### **October 9-13**

Fall Break—No School

### **October 16**

Professional Development Day -  
No school for students

### **Wednesday, October 18**

Grade Cards

### **Friday, October 20**

Fun Night 5-7pm

### **Friday, October 20**

Book Fair Begins

### **Thursday, October 26**

Parent Teacher Conferences

## Important Announcements

Fun Night will be here before we know it! Thank you so much for all of your help with donations. Fun Night is going to be Friday, October 20 from 5-7pm. Fun night will include:

- Food Trucks
- Prize walk
- Silent Auction
- Pumpkin Decorating Contest (pumpkins must be dropped off at school on or before Thursday, October 19)
- Assorted games throughout the school with prizes

Basketball practice will begin for both teams on Tuesday, October 3.

## We need your help!

- Please remember to have your car tag visible when picking up your child. This includes normal pick up and any after school activity (athletic practice and Code Force). Thank you for helping us keep your children safe!
- Be on the lookout for school spirit shirt order forms. They should be coming home in the next few weeks.

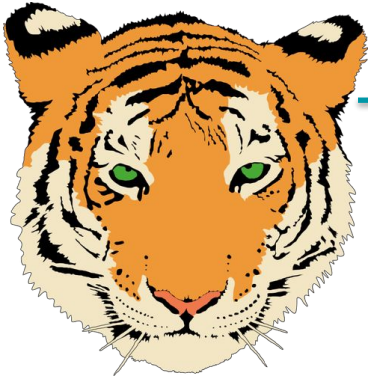
## Gym Banners

We are selling banners that will hang in our school gym. The banners are \$150. This is a fundraiser for our athletic teams. If you purchase a banner, it will hang for the entire year and for all school events. If you are interested, please see the attached form.

## PTO Membership Drive

We are inviting all family members and friends to join our PTO! Even if you don't have time to attend meetings and participate, please join! Membership is \$2.00 per person. The homeroom with the most memberships at the end of the month will receive a pizza party! Please see the attached form for more information.

# Tiger Tales



September 2023

## Dr. Walker's Message

Thank you for a great start to the school year. I have enjoyed getting to know our Tigers and their families. We have lots of exciting activities planned for the fall and winter. Please consider joining our PTO - we are planning many activities and community service opportunities. Also, parent volunteer forms have been sent home. We encourage you to get involved! We can use your help!

*Dr. Walker*

## Important Dates

**Monday, September 4**

Labor Day—No School

**Wednesday, September 6**

Sports Physicals offered at school

**Tuesday, September 12**

Candy Sale ends

**Tuesday, September 19**

Boy Basketball Tryouts

**Wednesday, September 20**

Boy Basketball Tryouts

**Thursday, September 21**

Girl Basketball Tryouts

**Friday, September 22**

Girl Basketball Tryouts

**Wednesday, September 20**

Fall School Pictures

**Friday, September 29**

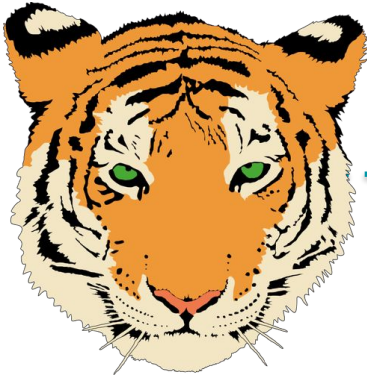
Teacher Work Day—No School

## Important Announcements

- Starting next week parents can eat in the cafeteria with their child/children. Please see the below schedule for each grade level day. We are very limited on space so you will need to sign up with your child's homeroom teacher if you are planning on eating with your child. You are welcome to get a school lunch when you are eating with your child. The cost is \$5.00 (**cash only**) for a visitor tray.
  - PreK-Friday 10:45
  - Kindergarten-Tuesday 11:15
  - 1st grade-Monday 10:55
  - 2nd grade-Friday 11:35
  - 3rd grade-Monday 11:30
  - 4th grade-Thursday 11:25
  - 5th grade-Wednesday-11:05
- The menu is changing a little. Some days, lunch option 3 will be offered. This is a bag lunch that includes PB&J and side items. Students who choose this will go through and pick up a bag rather than making a tray.
- Please remember to let your child's homeroom teacher know if you are planning on bringing in treats for your child's birthday so they can let you know the grade level expectations.
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## We need your help!

- We are going to have a school-wide fun night on Friday, October 20 from 5pm-7pm. We will need donations for our silent auction, food, prizes, etc. We are also looking for food trucks if you have a connection. If you would like to help and are not sure where to start, please reach out to your child's homeroom teacher or the front office.
- Candy sales are going great! Please continue to help with this fundraiser. The sale will end on Tuesday, September 12. All money is due to be eligible for prizes.
- Please see the attachments about Box Tops and linking your Ingles Advantage account to Witt.



# Tiger Tales

August 2023

## Dr. Walker's Message

Welcome back to school! I am excited to be a part of the Witt family. I grew up in Whitesburg and attended Whitesburg Elementary. Community schools are near and dear to my heart. I can't wait to work with you to help your child learn and grow. My husband, Steve and I live in Hamblen County. We also have a son, Ross, who graduated from Hamblen County Schools. I have previous teaching experience at Manley and Alpha. Most recently, I was the Assistant Principal at Manley. My role as the principal at Witt is to support teachers, students, and families. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to me at any time. Thank you for allowing me to be a part of your child's education. ~ Dr. Christy Walker

## Important Dates

**Monday, September 4**

Labor Day—No School

**Friday, September 29**

Teacher Work Day—No School

## Witt Remind

We are going to have a school wide remind for the 23/24 school year. Please sign up using the directions on the page to get announcements and updates from the school.

## Important Announcements

- You will need to show a photo ID every time you come to the school in order to enter the school building or sign your child out from the front office. This is part of our updated protocols to keep your children safe.
- Please remember you are allowed 5 parent notes per semester and doctors' notes are required for sick days to be excused.
- Please continue to turn in your two proofs of residency and \$12 supply fee.
- It is extremely important that you fill out the online application for free and reduced lunch if you qualify.
- As a school we met with local emergency personnel and law enforcement agencies to talk through our safety plan. Over the next few months, your child will be practicing a multitude of safety drills at school. If you have any questions please reach out.

## PTO

**WE NEED YOUR HELP!** We would love to partner with you to make Witt be the absolute best school it can be for you child. If you are interested in volunteering for the PTO, please call the front office.

One service project we would like to do is to refresh our landscaping. If you are willing to help or donate materials, please contact Dr. Walker at [walkerc5@hcbocoe.net](mailto:walkerc5@hcbocoe.net).

## Exciting News

- Starting after Labor Day, you may come and eat in the cafeteria with your child. Each grade level will have an assigned day and you will need to sign up the week prior to when you would like to come.
- You may send in store bought treats to celebrate your child's birthday with their class. Please contact your child's teacher to see when works best in their schedule.
- We are continuing a 5<sup>th</sup> grade leadership program which includes flag helpers, helping with the pledge, the Tiger Cub Club (buddies with pre-k, and the Sunshine cart. We are so excited to see the leadership potential in our oldest Tigers!