

# THE BECKER BULLETIN

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I just wanted to thank everyone for making the first week and a half of the 2023-24 school year so wonderful. I'm thrilled to have your children in my class, and I know that we're going to have an amazing year. Your help with supplies, routines, and returning paperwork has been greatly appreciated.

To ensure that your child is successful this year, here are some tips that might help:

- Check your child's planner daily. Students will be recording homework assignments in their planners every day, and I will be signing them throughout the first grading period.
- Invest in multiplication flash cards. Students need to know through their "12" times tables this year. If they don't have a strong foundation, they will struggle with many math skills!
- Listen to your child read for 15-20 minutes every night!

Thanks for all your support! Please feel free to contact me at [jbecker@hlacharter.com](mailto:jbecker@hlacharter.com) should you have any questions or concerns.

## The Week In Review

This past week, we discussed classroom rules and procedures, practiced highlighting skills, learned about text features, and took our beginning of the year tests in ELA, math, science, and writing. Overall, it was a good and productive week! This upcoming week, we will begin our regular homework routine in spelling and math.

## Word of the Week:

Our word of the week was "kindness." Kindness has many benefits, including increased happiness and a healthy heart. It slows down the aging process and improves relationships, which indirectly boosts your health. Showing kindness is just as rewarding as receiving it from someone else.

## Miscellaneous

### Yoga Pose of the Week

This past week, Mr. Weissler and I led yoga and introduced students to our "Yoga Pose of the Week," which was "Downward Dog."



## Spelling

Students, you need to neatly write each of the following words with large, legible print on the index cards sent home today. Try to do them in cursive! This week, we will focus on words with short vowels.

contest	difficult	minimum	already	fraction	president
problem	public	sensitive	planet	industry	commitment

## Upcoming Dates

Monday, September 4- Labor Day (No School)

Thursday, September 7- Curriculum PI Night

Thursday, September 14- Progress reports available on Skyward

## Notes

Parents, please be sure to complete the "Volunteer Application" on the HLA website. While there, check out our Sign-Up Genius page and start to get your hours in! We have daily tasks, as well as things like cooking for PI Night available!