

SEPTEMBER

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NEWSLETTER

Welcome to September! We are excited for a new month of learning, growth, and fun!

A special shout-out to our students for doing an amazing job with last-minute changes to dismissal due to inclement weather. They handled the changes so well! Great work, kiddos!

Lots of important dates to add to your calendars, including Homecoming Week! Here's to a fantastic September!

Amanda Johnson, Interim Principal

IMPORTANT DATES



- September 8: Preschool Starts
- September 11: Patriot Day - Wear Red, White or Blue
- September 11: First Snack Cart - PTAC
- September 11 & 12: Mum Pickup
- September 17: PTAC Meeting at 5:30 PM
- September 22: Picture Day
- September 25: Dolly Day & Snack Cart
- Sept. 28-Oct. 2: Homecoming Week

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



- Please return your emergency forms, volunteer forms, and Technology Agreements (K & 1) ASAP.
- Preschool starts this week. Please be patient during arrival and dismissal as parents adjust to our procedures.
- Homecoming Week themes will come home soon!
- Parent-Teacher Conferences Are Scheduled for October 19 & 21. Sign-ups will be available soon.



Thank You



Thank you to our loving and supportive community! So many parents, colleagues, schools, businesses, and friends have reached out to fill our hearts and bring smiles to our school. We can't thank you enough for reminding us what a special place Bertha Neal is, especially following the loss of Mr. C. Forever grateful, Your Bertha Neal Family

WANT TO HELP OUT?

Consider joining our PTAC!

Our first meeting is
September 17 in the Library
at 5:30 PM



REMINDERS

- Start Time: Classes start at 8:30 AM. Please make sure your child is on time to begin.
- Dress Code: As the weather changes, please make sure that students are dressed appropriately for the season.

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KG LEARNING

Brain bins and morning tubs are a great way to start off our day!



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PICTURE DAY
September 22nd

FUN IN STEM

Students in STEM class had a great time last week creating their own versions of the tallest tower. These first graders all worked together and built tall, strong towers! Great work, Railroaders!

RIDDLE ME THIS

I'm a tree that turns red, orange, and gold,
In fall, my leaves are a sight to behold.
You might get syrup from me on your pancakes,
What tree am I? Take your best guess!



Evan Gardner 5k /2.5k Memory Run/Walk

Saturday 9/19/26
8:30 am start
7:30am Registration
\$10 Entry Fee
\$15 Shirts, \$10 bags
\$20 Hats
Cash/Card
Durand MS XC course



All proceeds from this event support the Evan Gardner Memorial Scholarship. We created the Scholarship to encourage others to demonstrate the same qualities that made Evan so remarkable. Participation not required to make donations.



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DURAND AREA SCHOOLS

PATRIOT DAY

25TH ANNIVERSARY 9/11 REMEMBRANCE



DISTRICT SPIRIT DAY



FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2026

ALL STUDENTS & STAFF DRESS IN:

RED

WHITE

BLUE

HONOR

Our courageous First
Responders, Armed Forces &
Everyday Heroes.

REMEMBER

The innocent lives lost on
September 11, 2001.

UNITE

Together as one proud
Railroaders community.

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