



# THE BEAUMONT BUZZ

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## WELCOME BACK READERS!

Written by Ms. Bond

Welcome back BMA readers! We are so happy to be back together and getting into this 2023-2024 school year. I can't believe we've almost made it to fall break. I hope you take some time to reflect on all that you've learned, the new friends you've made, and what you want the rest of the school year to look like. BMA is such a special place to come to everyday and despite the many challenges that often come with a school day, the students and staff always persevere, inspire, and look

out for one another. This newspaper team is no different. It's been so fun getting to know this new group behind the print and I'd like to introduce them below. They've been working really hard writing articles, interviewing people, taking pictures, and creating comics and they can't wait to deliver this to you. This is the 2nd year this publication is being printed and we hope you enjoy this issue of *The Beaumont Buzz!*



Sunny



Langston



Ellie



Catherine



Beckett



Rayne



Lennon



Ms. Whitehead



Ms. Bond

# GUESS WHO: SCHOOL PICTURE DAY EDITION

In honor of our recent school picture day, some of us decided to dig through our memory boxes. Take a look at these school pictures from the past and guess which BMA teacher or staff it is! One of them might be your very own teacher! \*The answers are upside down just below the pictures!

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

1. Ms. Reiner 2. Ms. Simmons 3. Mr. Day 4. Ms. Bickford 5. Ms. Taylor (Theatre) 6. Ms. Davis 7. Ms. Armstrong 8. Ms. Bond 9. Ms. Farrington 10. Ms. Messer

# Keeping BMA Safe

## THE FACE BEHIND BMA'S SAFETY DAY

Written by: Sunny F.

Every year when we go back to school, students participate in a safety day. This is when we practice all the safety drills such as fire, inclement weather, and lockdown procedures. Students also participate in a bus safety/evacuation drill. All of this is coordinated by our favorite school officer, Officer Witt. One of our reporters sat down with him to get to know the person who helps keep BMA a safe place to learn everyday.



Photo credit: Jessica Reiner



Officer Witt was in the military before being a school officer. He was a policeman who worked with intelligence. When I asked him what he enjoys about his job, he replied, "I enjoy keeping kids safe." I also asked him about what his dream job was growing up and he answered, "My dream job was to be an agent in the secret service." I learned two fun facts about Officer Witt. He likes to write poetry and actually got chosen to be part of the secret service, but he turned it down. He didn't want to leave his home and family. He grew up here in Knoxville and went to South Doyle High School. We love Officer Witt and as he always reminds us, "safety never takes a holiday!"



## Seeing Dots & Spots!

Mrs. Armstrong coordinated a celebration of Dot Day on September 15 based on the book, *The Dot* by Peter H. Reynolds.



Beaumont Magnet Academy

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# Snakes, Spiders, and Bunnies Oh My!

Written by Catherine A.



look for food. Alessa from Mr. Day's class explained she learned about how animals protect themselves. Lastly, Nate from Ms. Roger's class discovered there are a lot of prey who have flat teeth and many predators have sharper teeth. We also played a game of wolves and chipmunks. Some people were wolves and some people pretended to be chipmunks. The wolves always ate the chipmunks and then multiplied in numbers. The rate that the wolves were multiplying became a problem because then there weren't enough chipmunks for food. Overall, it was a really

fun time! If you are not a 4th grader and didn't get to see it then you need to try and go to the zoo because these animals are amazing and super cute!

The Knoxville Zoo recently visited BMA for our 4th grade ME (museum experience). When I was at the ME, I saw so many different animals. The 4th graders that I interviewed afterwards were really excited. Susan from Mr. Day's class said that she learned predators and prey have very different and some similar ways to hide and



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## New Faces at BMA

We sat down with some teaches who are new to Beaumont this year and got to know them a little better.



Mr. Day- 4th Grade  
Years Teaching- 12  
Loves that BMA feels like a family  
Family Color- Green  
He was in the movie *October Sky*  
Favorite Book- (currently) *Lincoln Highway*



Ms. Farrell- 2nd Grade  
Years Teaching- 1st year  
Loves that BMA feels like a supporting family  
Family Color- Red  
She used to cheer at UT  
Favorite Book- *Through the Embers* by Aly Martinez



Ms. Fusco- 5th Grade  
Years Teaching- 1st year  
Loves all the artwork at BMA  
Family Color- Yellow  
She has a dog  
Favorite Book- *Harry Potter*



Ms. Lee- 1st Grade  
Years Teaching- 25  
Enjoys BMA's arts integrated program and learning beyond the classroom  
Family Color- Green  
Loves to adventure- recently moved to TN from WA state  
Favorite Books- *Mr. Popper's Penguins* and *The Undoing of Saint Silvanus*



Ms. Mabry- Kindergarten  
Years Teaching- 1st year  
Favorite thing about BMA- All the nice people  
Family Color- Blue  
She's 4 feet 9 inches  
Enjoys listening to podcasts



Ms. Rogers- 4th Grade  
Years Teaching- 20  
Loves the BMA family and all the programs  
Family Color- Blue  
She has a black belt in karate and wrote a book  
Favorite Book- (currently) *Lincoln Highway*



Ms. Stewart- 1st Grade  
Years Teaching- 10  
Loves that everyone is so nice at BMA  
Family Color- Red  
She has a black lab named Bella Grace  
Favorite Book- *Junie B. Jones*



Ms. Billman- 4th Grade  
Years Teaching- 6  
Loves BMA's playground  
Family Color- Yellow  
She has a twin brother  
Favorite Book- *Frog and Toad*



Ms. Simpson- Educational Assistant/UT Student  
Currently in school to be a SPED teacher  
Loves the students at staff at BMA  
Family Color- Blue  
She has 48 line sisters in her sorority  
Favorite Book- *The Rainbow Fish*



Ms. Miller- Educational Assistant  
Years in Education- 1st year  
Loves the students here at BMA  
Family Color- Blue  
She enjoys singing  
Favorite Book- Non-fiction Books



Ms. Jordan- 1st Grade Teacher  
Years Teaching- 9  
Loves the environment and friendly people at BMA  
Family Color- Orange  
She graduated from law school in 2022  
Favorite Book- *11/22/63* by Stephen King



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## A Letter From Your New Principal

Dear BMA Readers,

I am so excited to be a part of the BMA family, especially being a part of the yellow family!

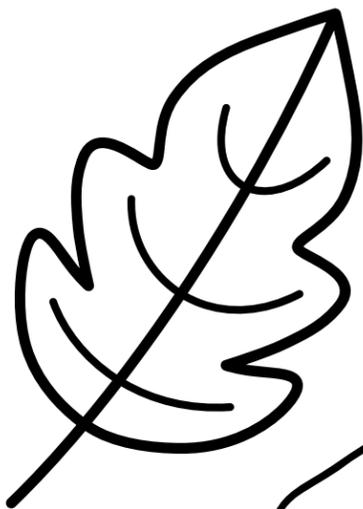
A little bit about myself- I was born and raised in Chicago, Illinois, and moved to Knoxville in 1996. I've been married to my husband Kevin since 1998. We have an awesome daughter named Layla who's 23 and a nature photographer with her own online business. I've been in education for over 20 years and still loving it!

I love to cook and my favorite book/movie/musical is *The Color Purple*.

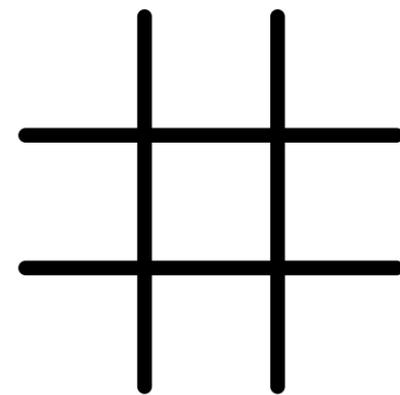
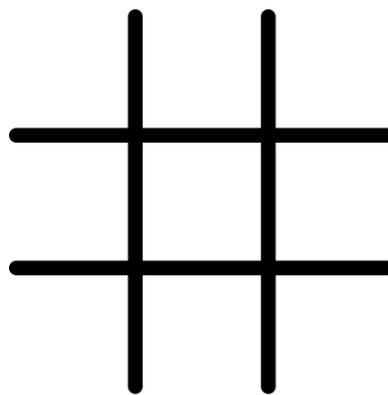


Love,  
Mrs. Sanford

# FUN & GAMES



Play tic tac toe with a friend!



## FALL WORD SEARCH

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| ACORN     | APPLES    | AUTUMN  | CANDY        | CIDER     |
| FOOTBALL  | HALLOWEEN | HARVEST | HAYRIDE      | LEAVES    |
| NOVEMBER  | OCTOBER   | PUMPKIN | RAKE         | SCARECROW |
| SEPTEMBER | SUNFLOWER | SWEATER | THANKSGIVING | TURKEY    |

© **Go Go Chicken Man COMIC**  
 By Langston M. and Beckett S.

1 Once upon a time...

2 There was a chicken... and an ant...

3 Two days later...

4 The ant drank the potion...

5 And grew...

6 The ant and the chicken met again...

7 Crash!

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12 The potion wore out.

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14 The End  
 Read again and find the stick figures!