Winter Newsletter

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REMEMBER EVERY 1ST, 3RD AND 5TH WED. OF THE MONTH IS ONE HOUR EARLY RELEASE

Jan. 15—NO SCHOOL
Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Jan 19—Half Day—End of Semester—Grade Prep
Feb 7 - Half Day/In-Service
Feb 19—NO SCHOOL
Presidents’ Day
Mar 2—NO SCHOOL—Late Winter Break
Mar 12 - 16—Book Fair
Mar 16—Family Paint Night 6:30
Mar 28—Half day / In-Service / End of 3rd Qtr.
April 2nd thru 6th—Spring Break
May 28—NO SCHOOL—Memorial Day
May 31—K-8 Spring Concert 6:30PM
June 2—HS graduation
June 8—LAST DAY early release at 10:30.

JV Team 2017/18
Front: Prairie Parrish, Rose Marquez, Beth Okamoto, Natalie Evers, Hailee Zielinski, Kenzie Baergen
Back: Whitley Rushton, Desiree Schmauder, Carol Hinkle, Abby Roberts, Kady Murray and Kinzie McCall

Varsity Team 2017/18
Front: Prairie Parrish, Whitley Rushton, Kayleigh Elder and Callie Pinar
Back: Abby Roberts, Sam Cook, Mimi Isaak, Kaylee Wodtka and Adyson Schafer
The ACH 6th Grade was fortunate enough to have Deborah Peha teach us art this first semester. During the course of the semester the students were exposed to some of the elements of art and basic art techniques. The students completed watercolor pumpkins that involved the use of analogous colors, complimentary colors, and the element of texture. The most recent project was a winter cardinal. This project involved the use of acrylic paint and taught about tints and shades and the element of value. The students enjoyed their time with Mrs. Peha and are proud of the work they have done. Submitted by Mrs. Sarah Sample

Native animal study by 1st Graders

Eleven first grade students became mini-experts in their science project this fall. The class learned about animals that live around us in our shrub-steppe ecosystem. Students selected their own animal from mammals, reptiles, fish, birds, invertebrates, and amphibians. We studied images, guide books, and internet resources. Creating their own book of information helped students share thoughts and ideas with their peers. Who ate who became a common topic of discussion! Students finished their investigations with a rare opportunity to observe and handle many species shared from the loaned collection of Wenatchee Valley College. Porcupines, Snowy Owls, Steller’s Jay, American Widgeon, Snowshoe Hare, and American Kestrel were some of the favorites.
Submitted by Mrs. Susan Douglas
Boy's Basketball 2017/18

Front: Jim Holcomb, Tristen Wood, John Pierce, Casen Murray, Jaxon Baergen, Grady Murray, Nathan Hinkle
Back: Devin Groh, Cody Kagele, Dane Isaak, Cole Evers, Cooper Correia, Parker Roberts, George Chapman

2017/18 WRESTLERS

Tristen Wood, Connor Higgs, Everett Wood and John Pierce
4th—5th Grade Science

Native plant project

Fourth and fifth grade science students planted over 80 native shrub-steppe plants early in November as part of a long term habitat improvement project. Selecting plants that support birds, small animals and insects, students created a list of plant species. Mrs. Douglas purchased the plants from Peshastin, WA. Todd Baarstad, a biologist from the Department of Fish and Wildlife joined the students in the snowy day of planting. Ag Link in Almira has provided soil samples and history for the class and in the spring will follow up with tissue samples and additional soil samples to monitor the impact of nitrogen enhancing plants. We are very grateful to our community for the support they give to student learning! We also discovered that snow planting is a great deal of fun!

Submitted by Mrs. Susan Douglas
The K-1 class completed a variety of Christmas projects leading up to Christmas Vacation. They wrote letters to Santa and made up their own Christmas stories, took part in a coloring contest, did science projects centered around the season, made parent gifts, created all the decorations for their class tree and others for the classroom, and worked on their songs for the Christmas program.

Here is the list of students ready to sing at the Christmas Extravaganza.
Back row: Madison McCall, Jackson Elder, Calvin McArthur, True Parrish, Camryn Peha, Akira Luczak, Cade Carstensen
Front row: Cooper Braun, Rylee Goetz, Quin Peha, Lily Hendrickson, Gigi Weber, Kaitlyn Rimel (absent Mac McKay)

Submitted by Mrs. Anita Sieg
Pre-Kindergarten News

Miss Teri's Pre-Kindergarten has started out the new year by joining the Be Kind Kids Club! The children are learning about controlling anger, dealing with bullying, getting along with each other, being nice to someone, listening helps you to stay out of trouble and be a team player! They are working on fun activities and team building. Future leaders in the making!

Submitted by Mrs. Teri McDonald

Front row: Kaelynn Carstensen and Addyson Elder  Back row: Emmie McCall, Lexa Benson, Kami Wright, Melissa Alig, Mase McKay and Charlotte Nachtigal

Lego Robotics- EV3’s

The Lego Robotics after school program students (12-18) are enjoying the many challenges and opportunities given to them with these EV3 systems. Students come together every Thursday for 2 hours of hands on technology, problem solving, laughter, and good snacks! Recently, students have been working on programming the EV3 to track a colored line and move in specific directions. Each activity provides many obstacles to work through. While the technology is amazing, the true stars are the students. It is never too late to join our program! Submitted by Mrs. Susan Douglas
Winter Newsletter  

Winter is in full swing and so are the events at school!

On Monday, January 9th, the school kicked off an anti-bullying campaign with an assembly sponsored by Clear Risk Solutions for the middle school students. Later that evening, we held a community night in Hartline for parents in the cooperative to also learn about anti-bullying. We learned that the definition of bullying is due to an imbalance of power, is repeated over time, is intentional, and causes physical or emotional harm. Bullying peaks in middle school, but diminishes in high school, which is one of the reasons why we chose to focus on this topic as a school event.

If your child experiences bullying in our schools, please contact Shauna or I immediately so that we can address it. The safety of your child is one of our top priorities!

Be a... Help, don’t hurt Encourage Report it Obey your conscience

Valentine’s Day is fast approaching! Once again, the ASB will be providing school-wide Valentine’s Day gifts for all students so there is no need to send deliveries to the school.

Mark your calendars! The ASB and Mrs. Peha will be hosting a family paint night for all ages on March 16th. Canvases, paintbrushes, and paint will be provided free of cost. Come learn how to make your own masterpiece!

It is a pleasure working with your family! I am here for you, and I want to hear from you! Should you ever have any questions or concerns, please contact me. My door is always open!

~Mrs. Thomas

A message from the Superintendent’s Desk

On behalf of the entire staff let me say thank you!! As a staff, we do not take lightly the privilege of serving our areas children. We strive daily to insure the highest level of education for our students so that they can achieve academic and social success within a safe and warm learning environment. We purposefully craft our work to constantly advance our skills to assist the children in achieving their personal best both academically and socially.

All of this is not possible without the efforts of our whole community. Please feel free to stop by, give a ring or send an email, because your input and contribution are valued by our students and staff.

Our building is where great things are happening! Looking forward to seeing you at our school...

Mrs. Schmerer
Look for sports schedules, lunch and breakfast menus, school calendar, daily bulletin etc. Parents check out the “Family Access”! Keep track of your students lunch money, attendance, and grades too if you have a middle school student. Call for your user name and password.