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Congratulations SB Wrestlers!



A Look Ahead

- Mar. 1: Reading Month Kick off @ 1:20
- Mar 2: Juniors Parent night 7:00 w/ Mrs. Martz
- Mar 6: Energy day for grades 4-6 starting @ 10 a.m.
- Mar 10: End of 3rd QTR
- Mar 10: Real World Camp gr. 6-7 in Bismarck
- Mar 10: Regional Science Fair
- Mar 12: Daylight Savings Time- set clock ahead 1 hr.
- Mar 14: Acalympics in Linton 4:30
- Mar 15: School Board Mtg. @ 7
- Mar 21: ACT 8:00-12:00 & Large Group Music in Edgeley
- Mar 23: All State Music
- Mar 23: Parent/Teacher Conf.
- Mar 24: NO SCHOOL

You are not only responsible for what you say, but also for what you do not say.

~ Martin Luther

- WHO:** Grade 11 students and Parents
- WHAT:** Meeting about what to expect the rest of their junior and senior year
- WHEN:** Wednesday, March 2, 2017 @ 7:00 p.m.
- WHERE:** Mrs. Martz's Classroom

Seems like just yesterday we were talking about kindergarten and now we are talking about college! Please try to come to the meeting. I have a power point and basic information as to what to expect the rest of your child's junior and senior year in regards to graduation, college visits, ACT tests, and Financial Aid. If you have questions, please contact Mrs. Martz at 701-288-3456.

FISHING FOR STUDENTS' SUCCESS



It's March...even if it comes in like a Lion, at least we know that spring is just around the corner and we can make it. We have seen a lot of weird stuff already this winter and now know how to handle it. It is hard to believe that we are getting ready to think about Golf, Track and Field, Prom and Graduation. I was proud of our winter sports programs. They all did a great job in their respective seasons. Here we are almost to the end of the 3rd nine weeks. The 3rd nine weeks ends on March 10th. The school year is almost over; make sure to keep working hard on your academics. I truly can't believe how fast this year is going. I was joking when I said I might be ice fishing in June this year, right now I am not sure if that is a joke or not.....Make sure to keep sending hats, gloves, boots, and warm clothes to school with your children.

Seniors should be working on financial aid and getting all their paper work in for college. Seniors you are almost done finish out strong and with pride. Seniors we are proud of you!!!!!! Remember seniors and parents of seniors, if you need any help with anything, Mrs. Martz is there for you.

I would like to address drop off time to school. Please make sure not to drop your children off at school too early. Our staff isn't required to come in until 8:00 am. Mr. Hauth is usually in the halls about 7:55 am, so please try not to have your children here before 7:55 each morning. There is no supervision in the building to watch them before that time. Thanks.

Parents keep your students motivated in school. We are at that time of year where everyone has that blah feeling. Make sure they are bringing homework home and studying. I keep repeating the academic math problem, but I will say it again. Parents + Students + the School = Success. It takes all three! If one part isn't doing their share, it doesn't equal success. I would also like to take a minute to stress how important it is for our students to be at school. I look at our deficiency list and see names of students who are missing a lot of school on the list. I know this isn't always the case, but when a student is gone they are missing out on learning. Yes, I do mention this once in a while, but it continues to happen. Students do struggle in certain areas; everyone on the Ashley staff is more than willing to help the students out. Also, we are starting to work on registration for next school year. Parents make sure to visit with your child about classes for next school year.

We will be having two very exciting projects going on in March. The first will be in the elementary for March Reading Month. The elementary will be doing special things every day to show how important reading is. In the high school we will again be having our PI activities. This is for math; Mrs. Watkins and her students will have some fun planned for the week of March 13th. Be on the lookout for information coming home about these two events.

Have a great month of March!!!!





Pre-School SCREENING



WHEN? Thursday, April 6, 2017
WHERE? Ashley Public School Library
AGES? 3,4, & 5 years old
CONTACT: 288-3456 to schedule an appointment

When you call the office to schedule an appointment, you will need to provide the following:
your child's full name

- date of birth
- age
- gender
- parent's name
- phone number
- address



You will also be mailed a questionnaire. This questionnaire assesses your child's self-help skills, social-emotional skills, and their transition skills. It is important for you to fill out the questionnaire as accurately as possible. It will assist in gaining accurate scores for your child.

After your child completes the screening, it will be scored by the Preschool Consultant from Tuttle. She will explain any questions that you may have. The entire process may take from 60-90 minutes. To save some time for you, if your child is currently enrolled in PreKindergarten, we will pick him/her up in the classroom, and call you when your results are ready, but you still need to call and schedule an appointment for your PK child if you want them to participate in the screening, otherwise they won't be screened

Student schedules for next year will be coming home the first week in March. Students in grades 7-8 will have a set schedule with a choice in music: band - choir - or both. The schedule your child is bringing home will have a box around required courses. Those class periods where there is not a box, indicates a choice. This is a tentative schedule based on student interest, availability of online/ITV courses, and successful completion of this year. Please look over the schedule with your child as they make their choices, sign at the bottom, and have it returned to Mr. Hauth by March 3.



Rumpelstiltskin



Save the Date...

Auditions for MCT

April 24th at 3:30



*Open to students grades kindergarten
through twelfth!*

Performance April 29th at 3:30



ASHLEY PUBLIC SCHOOL
NOTICE OF ELECTION
School Election—JUNE 6, 2017
Filing Deadline—APRIL 3, 2017 at 4:00pm



The Ashley Public School District #9 will hold its annual election on Tuesday, June 6, 2017 in the Ashley High School lobby. Polls will be open from 11:00am to 7:00pm.

The board members whose terms are expiring are Gwyn Schumacher, who represents the city and Trisha Schneider, who represents the at large position of the Ashley school district. Any person residing within the Ashley city limits is eligible to run as the city representative. Any person residing within the boundaries of the Ashley school district is eligible to run as the candidate at large. Candidates for the board must file a statement of candidacy and statement of interest with the business manager before 4:00pm on the third (3) day of April, 2017. There are no petition signatures required for school board candidacy.

Teresa Dockter, Business Manager
Ashley Public School District #9

MARCH 23

STUDENT-LED

Conferences 3:30-9:30

WHY DO STUDENTS LEAD THE CONFERENCES?

We believe that student involvement in the conferences makes learning active, provides opportunities for students to evaluate their own performance, and encourages students to take responsibility for their learning. Having students take charge of the conference makes them more accountable for what they are learning.



In addition, this form of conferencing creates a partnership between the home and the school that is hard to get in any other way. Both research and experience have demonstrated that student-led conferences offer many benefits including the following:

Stronger sense of accountability among students - **Stronger** sense of

pride in achievement among students - **More** productive student-teacher relationships - **Development** of leadership skills among students - **Greater** parental participation in conferences, & **Increased** teacher focus on standard.

What Does a Student-Led Conference Look Like?

Prior to the conference, students will collect work that reflects what they have learned. Students will select work samples to show their strengths and weaknesses. This work will usually be assembled in a portfolio or folder. As the students conduct the conference, they will explain skills they have learned and share goals they have set for themselves.

What's the Role of the Student During Student-Led Conferences?

Students should be able to explain academic standards, discuss how the standards are reflected in their classroom work, and be able to set goals for improving performance during the next academic term.

What's the Role of the Teacher in Student-Led Conferences?

Teachers have several roles in preparing and conducting student-led conferences. Critical to the success of the conferences are three major activities:

- The teacher makes sure that all students know and can discuss the academic standards.

- The teacher makes sure conference materials are available for students and parents.
- The teacher organizes the conferences to ensure successful communication.

What Should a Parent Do If He or She Cannot Attend the Conference?

Student-led conferences can be a very valuable time for you and your child. Please do your best to be available for these conferences. If it is not possible for you to attend alternate appointment times, you may want to ask a grandparent, another relative, or perhaps a family friend to take your place.

Parent's Role?

We believe that student-led conferences are an important experience for all students and hope that all parents will be able to participate. Your role is critical to the success of the conference.

Listener...

Your first role is as a listener. Having a parent audience for learning gives students a powerful reason to learn and work hard.

Talk...

Your second role as a parent is to talk with the student about the work that will be presented. You will gain a better understanding of the academic expectations set for your child.

Support...

Your third role as a parent is to identify ways you can support the student to achieve goals that will be set for the next grading period.

Award of Excellence

South Border Boys Basketball team and coaching staff has been selected as a National Federation Award of Excellence recipient! The National Federation and the NDHSAA have recognized our team for outstanding sportsmanship, citizenship, commitment to integrity, ethical play and behavior. Winning isn't the only thing we strive for with our sports programs...this award says a lot for our players and coaches and the valuable life lessons they learn through the game of basketball. Next time you see one of the coaches and/or players from the South Border Boys' Basketball team, please congratulate them on a job well done!



Next school year, the early release day will be changed to each Wednesday **instead** of Friday. Students will be dismissed at 3:00 each Wednesday for teachers to engage in Professional Learning Communities (PLC). The very essence of a learning community is a focus on and a commitment to the learning of each student. The purpose of meeting together in a PLC, whether it is in small groups, large groups, or individually, is to answer these four questions:

1. What knowledge and skills should every student acquire as a result of this unit?
2. How will we know when each student has acquired the essential knowledge and skills?
3. How will we respond when some students do not learn?
4. How will we extend and enrich the learning for students who are already proficient?

Ashley Public School is committed to improving the education we provide by working together with you so they can develop the tools to be successful in life.

March

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Spring forward
 Don't forget to set clocks ahead one hour at 2 a.m. Sunday.

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EARLY RELEASE REMINDER

Student of the Month



Rachel Rueb, daughter of Kirk and Terri Rueb, has been selected as February's Student of the Month. Rachel consistently displays a positive attitude, is a school leader and a positive role model. Rachel successfully balances her academics, involvement with athletics and other extracurricular activities. Rachel has been a great leader and participant for the FBLA organization. Rachel has an infectious personality and is able to make anyone's day! Young students and children gravitate towards Rachel. Congratulations, Rachel, on this well-deserved honor!

Congratulations



Wrestling News

South Border Wrestlers finished ninth in the team standings of the state Class B wrestling tournament held in Fargo this month! Congratulations to Ashley's Riley Molter who picked up a 3rd place win in the 220 pound division. Riley finished the season with a 31-10 record! Grant Schneider represented South Border at the state tournament as well (106 pounds) bringing a record of 29-24, and just missing the placement round by a narrow margin. Senior Tyler Kuntz led the Mustang charge as runner-up, 3rd place finish from junior Darrin VanGorkom, 7th place to Mark Jochim, and an 8th place finish for Jared Kaseman & Jake Herr! Congratulations South Border Wrestlers!





What do you do when they say, 'I'm not doing that! You can't make me!?'

Step 1: Say in a non-threatening way, "No problem. I care about you too much to fight with you about this. If it doesn't get done I'll take care of it."

Whom are you really talking to? You're talking to yourself. The goal at this point is to allow the child or teen to believe that you are backing down so that you can

create a solid plan for making their bad behavior their problem.

Does this decrease the odds of having a destructive, even dangerous power struggle?

Step 2: Hope and pray they continue their defiance.

Don't remind, nag, beg, bribe, or threaten. The fewer words you use, the better. Remember that every mistake or misbehavior is a wonderful opportunity to learn life's most valuable lessons.

Step 3: Put together a plan and plug the holes.

Do you know a child or teen so bright that they quickly find the "loopholes" in every plan? Avoid this by first visiting with family, friends, colleagues, or other professionals who can offer ideas and support.

Step 4: Let loving empathy and consequences do the teaching.

There must be consequences, because defiance is damaging to everyone. It drains our energy, and it hurts the young person by leading them to believe that nasty, disrespectful behavior is okay. Kids will never enjoy peaceful and productive lives if they fail to develop proper submission and respect for authority.

Sincere empathy delivered by the adult makes it far more likely that the defiant child will learn respect rather than resentment and greater rebelliousness.

Step 5: Remember to love the child even when it's impossible to love their behavior.

This is tough... but that's why it's so powerful. Hope is provided when kids know that nothing can separate them from our love.

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Upcoming Dates –

- March 1st: March Meeting
- March 7th: Professional Dress
- April 2nd – 4th: State FBLA in Bismarck, ND



Ashley FBLA was scheduled to do Valentine's Day crafts with nursing home residents in early February; however, with the recent flu bug and visitation restrictions, the crafts had to be cancelled. We do hope to get to do a fun activity with the residents in the future. Ashley 9-12th FBLA members assembled the Valentine's Day crafts with grades Kindergarten, First

and Second on February 14th. The high school students always enjoy getting to work with the young children. Thank you Mrs. Aldrich, Mrs. Dockter & Mrs. Engelhart for letting us "take over" for a while!

FBLA held their monthly professional dress and February meeting. Due to illnesses, our professional dress day was pretty slim.

State projects have been submitted and pre-conference tests have been taken. Ashley FBLA submitted their application for "Gold" for the North Dakota "Go for Gold" – time will tell if we have succeeded!

Ashley FBLA had more students complete the Future level of BAA:

- Collin Martz
- Abigail Petersen
- Riley Molter
- Sara Melom



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March will be busy preparing more for State and paperwork will be sent home with participating State students for parents to complete.

Thank you to the following who looked over and proofread projects before submission – we appreciate you so much!

- ★ Denise Martz
 - ★ Gwyn Schumacher
 - ★ Jason Dockter
 - ★ Jason Schmidt
 - ★ Kary Lindgren
 - ★ Mary Paulsrud
 - ★ Terra Engelhart
 - ★ Wendy Bichler
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VALENTINE'S DAY



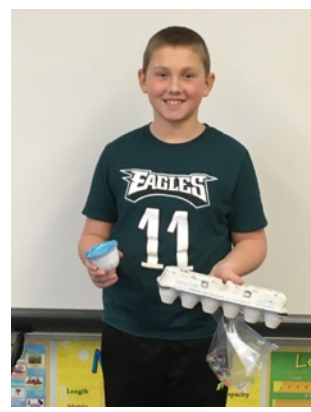
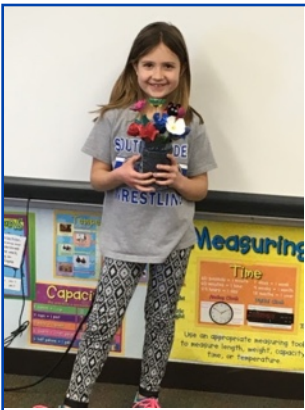
Happy
Valentine's
Day!



Third Grade News

The third graders finished their recycling projects this month. It is always amazing to me that each year my students find new ways to recycle different things! Avery created a paper rolls town. Bethany made a beautiful wind chime. Alyvia developed a phone charger so her phone can be plugged in, but not have to be on the ground. Vada designed a beautiful flower bouquet.

Ethan made a newspaper basket for holding papers. Kitana created a sailboat that really can float. Cole made a Box Top Holder so all of the Box Tops his family collects can be in one spot. Sara designed a cute jean purse and wallet. Cutler made a water jug, a pourer, and a frog. Parker created a Mancala game, so he can play at home. I am so proud of all of the third graders and a big thank you to their parents for helping with the projects!



6TH GRADE

The sixth grade class ended January with their 100th Day of School Celebration. They displayed their creative sides by making creations of 100 objects such as buttons, pencils, nails, and marshmallows.

Students also challenged their math brains by learning about probability with an activity of tossing dice 100 times and writing 100 different expressions that equaled 100.

The class began February with their annual Academic SuperBowl competition. The students

were either Falcons or Patriots and their grades for the week prior to the real SuperBowl earned points for their team. Like the actual SuperBowl the final results were very close, but unlike the real game the Falcons came out the winners with a grade average of 91.6%. The Patriots were so close with an average of 91.4%. Both teams worked very hard to get good grades that week!

Another project for the class during February was their state book reports. The students each researched a state and then created a travel brochure giving facts and interesting information about their state to entice tourists to visit the state. Check out our bulletin board to see which state you would like to visit!





This year we are celebrating our favorite irrational number, π , in fun fashion! National Pi Day is March 14, which falls on a Tuesday this year. We will have several activities that week planned to celebrate the infinitely many digits of pi, as well as have some fun too!

National Pi Day is a great excuse to have some fun celebrating math and numbers, a subject that doesn't get too much of that. The math department appreciates your support of this fun week, and Happy Pi Day!

PI Activities:

- Graphing Pi – My math classes have been already working on making a very long, very colorful bar graph of pi. So far we have graphed around 5,000 digits of pi! We plan to hang our graph during Pi Week to celebrate.
- Pie Bake Off – We will have a pi-bake off on Monday, March 13 to start off our week and for students to earn points for their team!
- Life Sized Game Fun – This year we will be playing two games in life size form: hungry hippo and knocker-ball bowling. In each game students are competing to collect the most digits of pi. The sum of their digits is added to their team score!
- “Pi” Eating Contest – It wouldn't be a Pi Day Celebration without our annual pie eating competition. Kids race to finish their pie first, no hands allowed! It is great entertainment for the rest of us as well!

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Tax Refund + College SAVE = Huge Savings

When you open North Dakota's College SAVE account and contribute some or all of your tax refund you could leverage both the tax free earnings on your College SAVE investment and a state tax deduction based on your contributions to have a meaningful impact on your child's future education needs. The tax deduction is on all contributions up to \$10,000 for married filers (\$5,000 for single filers). You could also access up to \$1,100 through College SAVE's two grant programs that 4 out of 5 North Dakota residents qualify to receive. Remember, you can open a College SAVE account for any age child, use the money for qualified higher education expenses like tuition and fees, room and board, and books and computers in order to attend any in-state or out-of-state. Check out College SAVE today at www.collegesave4u.com or call James Barnhardt at 701-328-5882.



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 College SAVE Plan Director
 Bank of North Dakota
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March 2017 Menu

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Spaghetti Sauce w/wo meat Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal Egg/Cheese muffin Fruit Juice/Milk	2 Orange Chicken Rice Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal Mini-bagel Fruit Juice/Milk	3 Fish Sticks Seasoned Noodles Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal Toast Fruit Juice/Milk	4
5	6 Chicken or Beef Fajitas Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal Toast Fruit Juice/Milk	7 Hotdogs Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal Breakfast cookie Fruit Juice Milk	8 French Dip Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal Combo bars Fruit Juice Milk	9 Shredded Beef Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal PB&J Rounds Fruit Juice Milk	10 Pizza (cheese or Pepperoni) Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal Scrambled eggs Fruit Juice/Milk	11
12	13 Creamed Chicken Over Rice Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal Breakfast taco Fruit Juice/Milk	14 Pulled Pork Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal Sausage links Fruit Juice Milk	15 Taco Salad Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal Toast Fruit Juice Milk	16 Hamburger French Fries Fruit ----- Cereal Eggwrap Fruit Juice Milk	17 Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Fruit ----- Cereal Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	18
19	20 Chef Salad w/ham, turkey, eggs, cheese Fruit ----- Cereal Pancake wrap Fruit Juice Milk	21 Hot Ham & Cheese Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal Breakfast pizza Fruit Juice Milk	22 Chicken Chow Mein Rice Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal Toast Fruit Juice/Milk	23 Barbecue Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal Donut Fruit Juice Milk	24 NO SCHOOL	25
26	27 Dakota Nachos Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal French toast Fruit Juice Milk	28 Comdog Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal Bacon Fruit Juice Milk	29 Sweet/Sour Chicken Rice Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal Cheese Omelet Fruit Juice/Milk	30 Tator Tot Hotdish Dinner roll Fruit ----- Cereal Mini-Cini rolls Fruit Juice Milk	31 Tuna Melt Vegetable Fruit ----- Cereal Toast Fruit Juice Milk	Served Daily: PB&J or cold meat/ cheese sandwich, Carrots, cucumbers, Cauliflower, broccoli, Celery. Choice of 1% white or chocolate skim milk.



March 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Junior parent night-7pm	2 PWWR @ Napoleon	3 PWWR @ Lamoure	4 @ GRAND FORKS
5	6 Reg BBB @ Jamestown	7 Reg BBB @ Jamestown	8	9 Reg BBB @ Jamestown	10 End of 3rd Quarter Grades entered & verified By 3:30 PWWR @ Linton Reg Science @ Jtwn	11 PWWR @ Lisbon
12	13 Co-op Meeting @ Wishek-6pm	14 Report Cards Acalympics @ Linton	15 School Board Meeting-7pm	16 PWWR @ Ashley	17  BBB	18 @ MINOT
19	20	21 Large group music @ Oakes PWWR @ Wishek ACT test-juniors	22	23 Parent-Teacher Conferences 3:30-9:30	24 NO SCHOOL PWWR @ Oakes	25 PWWR @ Ellendale
	27	28	29	30 Elem VB @ Wishek State Science Fair	31 @ Grand Forks	



Elementary Mustang Volleyball



Dear Parents/Guardians,

A volleyball skills season will be offered for the 4th, 5th and 6th grade Ashley and Wishek girls. Practice will be from 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays at the Wishek Civic Center. Ashley students will be bused to and from Wishek.

We will start practice on Monday, March 20th.

Jamboree Dates

March 30 - Wishek

April 3 - Linton

April 11 - Napoleon

April 20 - Steele.

**Tournament dates are tentative to change. They will be confirmed by the first day of practice

The Mustang coaching staff and some of the varsity volleyball players are looking forward to spending this time with your daughter(s) teaching them the basic fundamentals of volleyball, while having fun!

Please fill out the bottom portion of this form and return to the elementary office by Tuesday, March 13th or bring to first day of practice.

Staci Just & Sarah Crossingham
Mustang Volleyball Coaches

Contact: Staci Just 701-793-3310 or staci.l.just@gmail.com

My daughter may participate in the volleyball skills season.

Student name

Grade

T-shirt Size

Parent signature



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Ashley Public School



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seeing, doing, applying"*

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