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December has been a busy month in kindergarten. We visited with Mrs. Claus on December 4th. She took our Christmas letter to Santa. In math we have been working on measurement, capacity, calendar, and time. We have mastered all the letter sounds and are working on digraphs in phonics. All of the kindergarteners have been working hard learning their sight words. Their reading has come so far. I am one proud teacher. We have been enjoying many Christmas stories and projects including "Santa's Stuck", All about Reindeer, Santa Elves, and Christmas trees.

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"Let us remember: One book, one pen, one child and one teacher can change the world." – Malala Yousafzai



SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Faith Dockter, daughter of Jason and Kelly Dockter is a senior at AHS. She will continue her education and track career at the University of Mary to pursue a degree in nursing on an athletic and academic scholarship. She loves spending her Sundays watching Netflix with her cats snowbell and dumpling. She has been active in volleyball, basketball, and track since a young age, and even has a state title for javelin under her belt. With her recent knee injury she is taking a break from basketball and preparing herself for track! Her favorite food is popcorn and she is an amazing baker. At school she enjoys anatomy and when the bell rings at 3:18. If she had to choose to become one animal it would be a panda because of how fluffy and cute they are. As the second semester is starting and high school is coming to an end she is going to miss seeing her friends every day. Faith is excited to start a new chapter in her life and become a nurse.

HOLLY MEIDINGER



STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Welcome to APS, Holly

Holly Meidinger grew up on a farm near Gackle, which is where she graduated. Holly and her husband have lived on a farm near Ashley for 40 years together where they raised two daughters who graduated from APS. She previously worked at the Ashley Medical Center where she was, "a jack of all trades but a master of none." At the hospital she worked in dietary, housekeeping, laundry, and as a CNA. She says that school seems a lot less strict compared to when she was a kid and that kids act a lot looser around adults, but the biggest difference is that computers are everywhere. She was surprised by the amount of government restrictions on our lunches and noticed that there is less homemade food and less deserts compared to when she was a kid. Holly enjoys learning all of the personalities of the students. She says working at APS helps her keep in touch with her youth and enjoys working at APS because it keeps her busy and everyone is friendly.

PRE-K NEWS



Pre-Kindergarten Holiday Cheer!

While enjoying the story The Gingerbread Baby by Jan Brett, we decorated gingerbread cookies! Heidi Schauer baked the cookies and made the frosting for us to use.





VISITORS AT SCHOOL

Just a reminder that any visitor coming into the school building NEEDS to check into the office. Our job as a staff is to educate our students, but it is also our job to do whatever we can to keep them safe. Parents, if you are picking your students up during the school day, please meet them in the office. If you have any questions or concerns with this policy please reach out to Mr. Doane.



TITLE NEWS

The younger elementary Title Reading kids have been working on recognizing words, sounding words out, and learning about prefixes and suffixes. A favorite game they enjoy is sight word memory with a twist. When they find a sight word match, they must use it in a sentence correctly in order to keep the pair and go again. In Title Math we have been working on our math facts, place value, and using manipulatives to describe addition and subtraction problems.

The upper elementary students have been focusing on fractions (adding, subtracting, multiplying, and dividing) and rounding numbers. In Title Reading they have been using Venn diagrams to compare and contrast settings and character traits from different stories. We have also been focusing more on cause and effect this month. The sixth grade students in Title have been reading more non-fiction text and using questioning throughout the story to better understand the material.



Membership Dues:

\$15 Yearly \$100 Lifetime Membership

If you have any questions contact Gwyn Schumacher or Jessica Schmidt.

ASHLEY FBLA

Congratulations to Alexis Kempf, daughter of Michelle and John Kempf, for being selected as North Dakota's Region IV Member of the Month! The ND State Director and team selected Alexis. Something new that we did this year as a chapter and school was bringing awareness to World Prematurity Awareness Day – which was led by Alexis. Alexis volunteers for many, many different tasks and brings leadership skills to the table.

Other News:

 \cdot Faith Dockter and Colton Martz attended the December school board meeting to update the board members and public on what FBLA has been up to in recent months and what our future plans are.

· We sold Candy Cane grams once again. Thank you to all those who purchased candy canes!

 \cdot This year, we had a candy "guessing jar" competition that was open to all teachers PreK-High School. The winning class was Mrs. Paulsrud's Fourth Graders! They demonstrated their critical thinking skills when they came in as a class to guess.

· When we get back from Christmas break, we will continue to work on BAA's and State Projects.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



School Library News

20-Book Challenge

Grades 5 & 6 are exploring the different genres for their book selections. By choosing books of different genres, the students can participate in the challenge while meeting their classroom book expectations. Each student is graphing the genre of the books he/she has read, and giving each book a rating. In the spring for completing the challenge, students will be rewarded.



Be Reading @ Your Library

- <u>Online catalog?</u> <u>www.ashley.k12.nd.us</u> Click on Academic to locate the library page.
- <u>New books?</u> New books are every quarter in various reading levels and genres.
- What is the age of the collection? The library collection age is 19 years old. Currently, the collection has 6200 titles to choose from.
- <u>Interested in a book that is not in our collection?</u> Visit with Mrs. Bender for an Interlibrary Loan.
- <u>Online resources?</u> Yes, there are various databases that students are able to access at school and home. For your home, please visit with Mrs. Bender for the access code.

Save The Date

Scholastic Book Fair

February 7-14, 2020

Ashley and Wishek School Boards adopted the below Sportsmanship Guidelines.

SPORTSMANSHIP GUIDELINES

South Border believes fans should be positive roles models for our youth and respected communities. Each fan is expected to conduct themselves in an appropriate manner during South Border events home and away. The following are recommendations from the Sportsmanship Committee.

• Fans that engage in disruptive behavior at games can be evicted from event by Referees or Administration on duty. Coaches can make recommendations to administrator on duty if they wish a fan to be ejected, but final decision rests with administration on duty.

Should a fan be evicted from an event (first strike) they may be required to sit out the next home game of that sport (with carry over to next year if applicable). If fan is evicted from another event (second strike) they may be banned from all South Border home events for one fiscal year from date of second eviction.

Each additional evictions may result in an automatic ban of one fiscal year from eviction.

Updated: 9/2019 Approved 11/2019









Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 School Resumes	3 Grades finalized/verified By 3:30pm	4
5	6 GBB-Barnes Co @ Ashley-6pm Elem report cards issued	7	8 JHBBB pics in Wishek School Board Meeting-7pm	9 BBB -Stutsman Co Tourn @ Jtwn WR-Lisbon @ Wishek-7 GBB-E/K @ Ashley-6pm	10 BBB-Stutsman Co Tourn @ Jtwn WR tourn @ Cent Cass JHBBB-Napoleon @ Wishek-5pm	11 BBB-Stutsman Co Tourn @ Jtwn WR tourn @ Cent Cass
12	13 JHBBB-Ellendale @ Ashley-5pm BBB @ Herreid-6:30 7-12 report cards issued	14 JHBBB-Medina @ Ashley- 4:30 GBB @ Linton-6pm	15	16 WR-E/K @ Ashley-7pm BBB @ Napoleon-6pm	17 JHBBB-Kidder Co @ Wishek-5pm JVWR @ Carrington	18 GBB/BBB @ Lisbon-2pm WR toum @ Gettysburg JVWR @ Carrington
19	20 GBB-Herreid @ Ashley- 6pm JHBBB @ Ellendale-5pm	21 BBB-Oakes @ Ashley-6pm	22	23 JHBBB-Strasburg @ Wishek-4pm GBB-Napoleon @ Wishek-6pm	24 BBB-Linton @ Wishek-6 WR tourn@ Lisbon	25 BBB @ Strasburg-6pm WR toum @ Lisbon JHBBB tourn @ HMB
26	27 GBB @ Roscoe-5:15 JHBBB @ Edgeley-4pm	28 BBB-Kidder Co @ Wishek 6pm	29	30 BBB @ Kulm-6pm GBB-Kidder Co@Wishek-6 WR Triangular @ Napoleon-5pm	31 WR tourn @ New Salem	

January 2020 Menu

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 NO SCHOOL	2 Pizza Vegetable Fruit Cereal Belvita Wafers Fruit Juice Milk	3 Chicken/Rice Casserole Vegetable Fruit Cereal Pancakes Fruit Juice/Milk	4
5	6 Crispito Vegetable Fruit Cereal Toast Fruit Juice Milk	7 Hamburger French Fries Fruit Cereal Banana Bread Fruit Juice Milk	8 Chicken Strips Knepfla Soup Vegetable Fruit Cereal Cheese Omelet Fruit Juice/Milk	9 Hot Ham&Cheese Vegetable Fruit Cereal Sausage links Fruit Juice Milk	10 Tacos Vegetable Fruit Cereal French Toast Sticks Fruit Juice Milk	11
12	13 Chicken Patty Vegetable Fruit Cereal Combo Bars Fruit Juice Milk	14 Spaghetti Meat Sauce Vegetable Fruit Cereal Ham Patty Fruit Juice/Milk	15 Sweet & Sour Chicken Rice Vegetable/Fruit ——— Cereal Donut Fruit Juice/Milk	16 Lasagna Vegetable Fruit Cereal Breakfast Pizza Fruit Juice Milk	17 Chef Salad Breadstick Fruit Cereal Toast Fruit Juice Milk	18
19	20 Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Vegetable Fruit Cereal Tornado Fruit Juice/Milk	21 Popcorn Chicken Noodles Vegetable Fruit Cereal Bacon Fruit Juice/Milk	22 Beef/Chicken Fajitas Vegetable Fruit Cereal Mini Cinnamon roll Fruit Juice/Milk	23 Shrimp Poppers Vegetable Fruit Cereal Fritter Fruit Juice Milk	24 Taco Salad Fruit Cereal Waffle sticks Fruit Juice Milk	25
26	27 Chili Soup Breadstick Fruit Cereal Breakfast taco Fruit Juice Milk	28 Hotdog Vegetable Fruit Cereal Pancake wrap Fruit Juice Milk	29 Burritos Spanish Rice Fruit Cereal Scrambled eggs Fruit Juice Milk	30 Chicken Nuggets Seasoned Noodles Vegetable Fruit Cereal Meat&Cheese Omelet Fruit Juice/Milk	31 Pulled Pork Vegetable Fruit Cereal Smoothie Fruit Juice Milk	Served Daily: PB&J or cold meat sandwich, carrots, cauliflower, broccoli, Cucumbers Choice of 1% white Or chocolate skim millk

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"Reaching full potential through seeing, doing, applying"

We believe that

- Learning is a life long process
- Our students have the right to learn in a safe, healthy, and non-coercive environment.
- In the value of communication
- The entire school community (teachers, students, parents) share in the responsibility for learning.

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JANUARY HOLIDAYS & HAPPENINGS

Holidays

New Years Day Martin Luther King Jr. Day Australia Day National Book Month National Thank You Month National Eye Care Month National Volunteer Blood Donor Month National Soup Month

Symbols of January:

- Birthstone: Garnet
- Flower: Carnation Zodiac signs: Capricorn and Aquarius

History:

January was named after the Roman god Janus. Janus is also the Roman word for door. The god Janus had two faces which allowed him to look forwards into the coming year and backwards into the past year.

The original Roman calendar only had 10 months. January and February were not included, but were added later.

Fun Facts about January

- On average, it is the coldest month of the year in the Northern Hemisphere.
- It is the second month of winter.
- In the Southern Hemisphere January is a summer month the equivalent of July.
- For a long period of European history, the start of the New Year occurred in March.



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