

ECP MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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February 2023 ECP Middle School Newsletter

February crept up on us and then made itself known with icy weather. Not to be deterred, our teachers are working hard to engage our students and provide them with lessons to aid in reaching our Oklahoma Academic Standards in time for spring testing. Parent-Teacher Conferences were held on Feb. 9th. If you didn't have time to speak with your student's teachers, feel free to email them or contact the school for an appointment. We also, released our new communication portion of our website called "Rooms" that will improve communication between parents, teachers, and students. You can access "Rooms" through our website or the ECP Badgers app. On another note, we wanted to let you know that on February 14th we will accept Valentine deliveries at the MS to be distributed at the end of the day. There will be no school on Presidents' Day, Feb. 20th. Our MS students began selling slabs of ribs from Smokin' Joes for our spring fundraiser on Feb. 6th the fundraiser will wrap up on Feb. 20th. By selling 4 slabs of ribs a student can go on their spring field trip free of charge. The ribs can be sent home with the seller from school or be picked up at the middle school by the seller's parent or guardian between 2:30 and 3:30 pm on March 6th. Finally, we would like to congratulate our students that made the Superintendent's (All As) and Principal's (A & B) Honor Rolls for the first semester.

Superintendent's

Honor Roll

Bowie, Amelia

Busey, KasLynn

Casey, Tyler

Cook, Jesse

Garcia, Noah

Harrel, Easton

Kanaugh, Whitney

Lauderdale, Carston

Loriss, Zanna

Luster, Allison

Maines, Blake

Maines, McKinley

Parks, Haley

Patterson, Breelee

Reames, Emma

Stermer, Kailee

Principal's Honor Roll

Bennett, Haley

Brewer, Dylan

Christian, Cathryn

Condit, Gentry

Covington, Avery

Duley, Emalee

Ezzell, Cadence

Ferguson, Kira

Ferris, Lola

Foster, Ricky

Frazier, Landyn

Garcia, Joseph

Gonzales, Aubrey

Gonzalez, Nevaeh

Harrell, Syllas

Hedgecoth, Travis

Henson, Cameron

Johnson, Baelor

Johnson, Harli

McConnell, Eli

McConnell, Owen

McMillen, Easton

Milligan, Suzy

Richey, Jesse

Schilling, Corrie

Sherrill, Zoe

Shrader, Brody

Stanley, Katelynn

Turner, Jesiah

Upshaw, Mia

Webb, Autumn

White, Morgan

Wilson, Brier

Young, Jan

We are so proud of all of our ECPMS Students for all of their hard work & achievement. Especially during these challenging times.

-Angela Doss, ECPMS Principal

Student Accomplishments, Honors or Events

February Students of the Month

6th Grader - Cadence Ezzell

7th Grader - Blake Maines

8th Grader - Lola Ferris

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MATHCOUNTS....Our MATHCOUNTS Team this year is 8th graders-Tyler Casey, Emma Reames, Haley Parks, Harli Johnson, Corie Schilling and Brody Schrader; 7th graders- McKinley Maines, Blake Maines, Zanna Loriss, Luke Gonzales, and Cameron Henson; 6th grader- Breelee Patterson. We will be attending the Regional competition on Saturday, February 25th at Cameron University in Lawton.

4-H Communication Contest Results:

Extemporaneous Speaking

Katelynn Stanley-Division Champion

Devin Stanley-Reserve Champion

Illustrated Speech

Sylas Harrell-Division Reserve Champion

The ECP Livestock Show held on Sat., the 4th of Feb. was a huge success.

Harli Johnson-Grand Doe Goat, Reserve Grand Showmanship, Goat Showmanship winner

Baelor Johnson-Reserve Grand Doe Goat

Devin Stanley-Grand Wether Goat

Eli McConnell-Reserve Grand Barrow

Great Things are Happening at the Middle School!

Angela Sawyer's Classes - 8th-grade math students just finished solving two-step equations and inequalities. This week, they will begin their chapter over linear functions. S.T.E.A.M. students have been busy preparing for our 2nd annual Science/Engineering Fair. Students will share their projects and presentations on Thursday, February 16th. In honor of Black History Month, S.T.E.A.M. students will discover African American scientists, mathematicians, engineers, and artists who have made contributions to society and the world.

Ann Harrel's Classes - 6th grade Math classes just finished up learning how to solve equations and will be moving on to Functions.

7th grade Math classes just finished up Geometric figures and similarity and will be moving on to perimeter, area, and circumference.

6th grade Social Studies has been working on the World Wars and will be taking a virtual tour of the Dallas Holocaust Museum soon.

Diane Parker's Classes - 7th-grade reading: We are learning about suffixes and discussing the author's purpose. We began reading *The Tiger Rising* by Kate DiCamillo. 8th-grade reading: Students are learning about common suffixes and reading strategies. We began reading *The Old Man and the Sea* by Ernest Hemingway. 8th grade ELA: Classes just completed punctuation and are now working on a narrative essay.

Katie Milligan's Classes - 6th-grade English- They have been working hard on prepositions, colons, and hyphens. We will be learning how to write an effective paragraph soon!

6th-grade reading- They just had their half AR goals due. The next goal they are aiming for is their full AR goals due on March 9th! We will be working on comparing and

contrasting texts in preparation for state testing. We will be starting a new class novel next week about WWII!

7th-grade English- They have been working hard on colons, hyphens, and apostrophes. We will be working on our writing skills over the next couple of weeks in preparation for the state test.

Kristal Patterson's Classes -

6th Grade Science is working on the Light Module and they have been learning about refraction, absorption, and reflection.

7th Grade Science is working on The Matter and Energy in Ecosystems. They are learning about photosynthesis, cellular respiration, and the cycles of carbon and oxygen in the ecosystem.

8th Grade Science is working on the Reproduction of Organisms Module. They have learned about the different types of asexual and sexual reproduction in organisms as well as different behaviors they use in courting a mate. They did research on the mating of spiders.

We also attempted our first National Science Bee regional competition. We had over 30 students out of 102 middle schoolers qualify to attend the online regional competition after taking a test in class. Three students did attend the online competition. The 6th graders that attended were Easton Harrel and Breelee Patterson. Our 7th grader that attended was McKinley Maines.

Stacey McCaa's Classes - 8th-grade math students just finished solving two-step equations and inequalities. 8th-grade English students are working through the writing process in Buckle down books and writing essays. Study hall students work on homework daily and are also reading books during that time.

Stephen McCleskey's Classes - Both MS bands are continuing to work on the fundamentals of playing their instruments. The 7th graders are also beginning to look at high school music and marching in preparation for next year.

Willie Harrell's Classes - 7th Grade Geography- We have finished creating our water turbines and will be testing them at the greenhouse. After that, we will finish the chapter on Africa. 8th Grade US History- We have lectured over the Industrial Revolution, and are starting our research paper over inventions of the 1700s-1800s. Since 8th Grade US History is not an end of the year tested subject, I am collaborating with Mrs.Parker to help get them ready for the end of the year writing test.

♥ *“The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched - they must be felt with the heart.”* ♥

~ Helen Keller