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THE ONLINE NEWSLETTER FOR GUNTER ISD



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Robert (Tate) Rehmet - Valedictorian
Jacee Childers - Salutatorian



Graduation Ceremony 2021

Senior Moments



Senior Walk @ GES



Final choir performance as GHS students



Roses for the loved ones.



"Look Mom! I did it!"



The HAPPY DANCE!



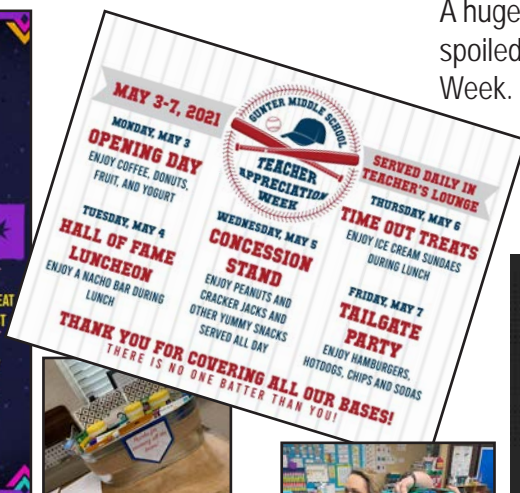
Rest peacefully, Cobi.



"When those you love die, the best you can do is honor their spirit for as long as you live. You make a commitment that you're going to take whatever lesson that person was trying to teach you, and you make it true in your own life. It's a positive way to keep their spirit alive in the world by keeping it alive in yourself." ~ Patrick Swayze

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

A huge THANK YOU to all of the campus PTOs who spoiled our teachers during Teacher Appreciation Week. The amount of food you served up daily was incredible! Your creativity in the themes and your giving hearts are more than we could have asked for.



JOIN YOUR PTO

Let's start 2021-2022 school with a bang!
Become a member of your campus PTO.
It's a lot of fun, and they need your help!

If you have questions or want to join, use the information below.

GHS PTO

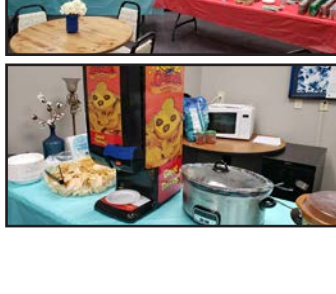
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Thank you, Cody Paxman with State Farm for hydrating our people! Finding their favorite Sonic drink waiting for them was a great surprise for a Monday morning!



TEACHERS OF THE YEAR



Congratulations to the 2020-2021 Teachers of the Year! Teachers at each campus vote for their colleague who has gone above and beyond to help their students, encourage others, create a positive atmosphere, and truly love their students. Those words aren't enough to describe the teachers chosen this year.

Congratulations to:

(GES) Danette Jewell - 3rd Grade Teacher

(GMS) April Loewen - STC Teacher

(GHS) Wendy Osburn - Horticulture & Floral Design Teacher / FFA Sponsor



So many things... preparing healthy meals, adhering to strict state nutrition standards, learning about and understanding student food allergies, and offering service with a smile; Mrs. Rogers and her staff are true heroes.

On Friday, May 7th, we celebrated the 8th Annual School Lunch Hero Day! Food Services Coordinator, Lauren Rogers, collected notes from students and "served up the thanks" to each member of her cafeteria staff on a beautiful serving piece they can keep as a memento.



2021 Faculty Awards

5 Years of Service

Jeannie Clarke

Lindsay Harper

Jake Parker

Kara Wright

10 Years of Service

Diane Fielding

15 Years of Service

Toni Gittens

20 Years of Service

Heather Hale

Amy Reed

25 Years of Service

Jackie Mahana

Glenna Vest

30 Years of Service

Debbie Murphy



Readers are Champions Celebration

We are so proud of all of our Pre-K through 4th grade students for their reading efforts! Take a look at all of the students who were celebrated! Great job, Tigers!



Top Kinder Readers

Easton Descoteau and Scarlet Hymes

Top 1st Grade Readers

Reid Brown and Darcy Sikes

Top 2nd Grade Readers

Grant Douglas and Caroline Ulch

Top 3rd Grade Readers

Mason Layton and Valeria Mendoza

Top 4th Grade Readers

Dakota Waligura and Krissa O'Brien

Top Overall Readers

Brantley Rice and Krissa O'Brien

Summer Reading Challenge!

Gunter Elementary would like to invite our students to participate in our Summer Reading Challenge.

Students in grades K-1 are challenged to read, or have read to them, 10 books. Students in grades 2-4 are challenged to read 4 chapter books. You will find a reading log at the end of this newsletter, where you can document the books you have read. Please return your reading log during the first week of school and we will recognize all of our summer readers for their hard work.

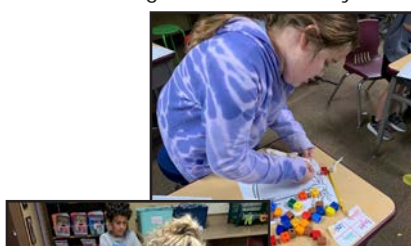
We encourage you to visit the Gunter Public Library's website at <https://www.gunterlibrary.com>

Here you can access a library card application. Complete the application and send it to librarian@gunterlibrary.com Upon receipt of the application a library card number will be issued and students and parents will have access to the library's online collection.



A Bird's "Beak" View

To wrap up the unit about ecosystem and food chains, Mrs. Pelzel's science classes engineered bird beaks to pick up "fish" from their ponds. We also discussed how the shapes of the bird beaks determine what foods they can eat. It was a great STEM activity!



In music, our 4th graders created their own opera based on the story of "The Three Little Pigs" and actually made their own costumes. They were so fun and creative!



Elementary End of the Year Field Trips

Everyone (students and teachers) had so much fun!

- ♥ Pre-K toured Sharkarosa
- ♥ Kindergarten visited Frank Buck Zoo
- ♥ 1st Grade brought the ZOO to the SCHOOL
- ♥ 2nd Grade visited Frank Buck Zoo
- ♥ 3rd Grade went to Skateland
- ♥ 4th Grade visited the Fort Worth Stockyards



FUN DAY

Gunter Elementary Marketplace!



4th grade students in Mrs. Grayard's class applied their financial literacy skills and became young entrepreneurs during their Marketplace Fair. Students made storefronts, designed and produced a product to sell, took part in an inventory interest survey to adjust pricing, and opened their stores to one another. Students did an amazing job and most stores made a profit and sold out of items quickly!



3rd graders in Mrs. Pelzel's science class did their final STEM activity of the year. Their challenge was to make the longest paper chain in the class. It was all about strategy and team work while having fun! Mrs. Pelzel said, "It has been a wonderful year full of STEM projects. I am proud of my students efforts and creativity!"



Moving up to the next level!

4th Graders walked the halls of the elementary school as the younger students cheered them on. They will be moving to the middle school next year!

Class of 2029



8th Graders received their 8th Grade Completion Certificate and are headed to the high school campus in the fall.

Class of 2025



Withstand an Earthquake!

Mrs. Morrison's Sixth grade science students recently studied tectonic plates, volcanoes, and earthquakes in the Earth Systems unit. Students wrapped up the unit by designing and creating a building from cardstock that could withstand an "earthquake." Each group was given limited card stock and limited tape. Their buildings had to be at least 30 cm and 3 stories tall. Students were very creative in their designs. Maybe we have some future engineers or architects in this group! The last building standing during the "earthquake" won bragging rights!



Knowing Your Science



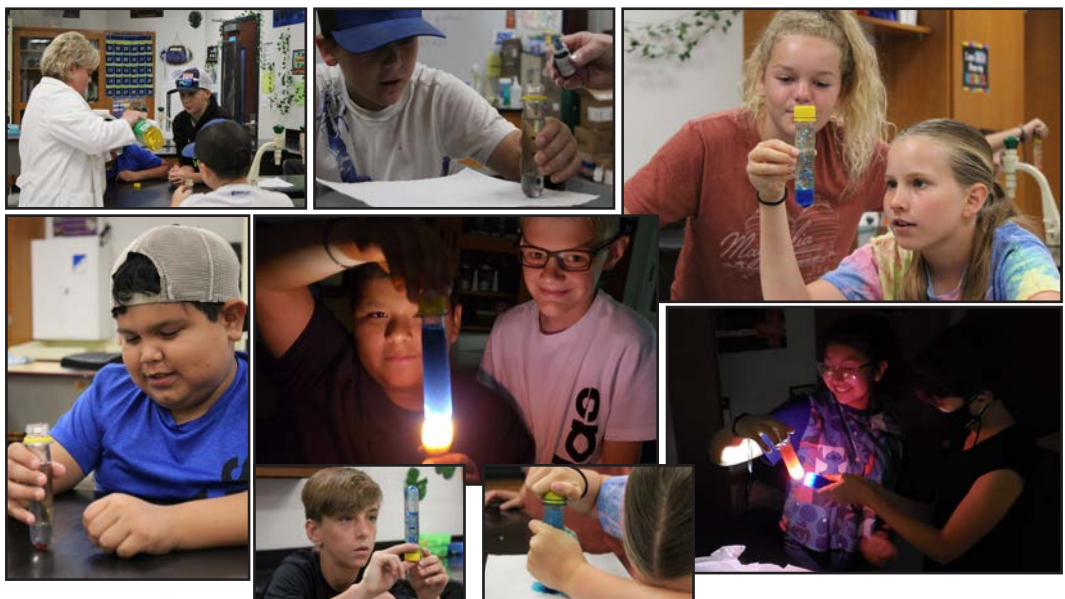
Charlie Jones, a former science - Ag teacher spoke to eager 7th graders about "knowing your science". Through storytelling and laughter, Mr. Jones' presentation took the students through plants and their adaptations, how to know soil type based on vegetation, rock types, aquifers and watersheds. He demonstrated how oil could be removed from limestone and the importance of how all these things tie in together. Using an apple, Mr. Jones illustrated how the Earth's small portion of farm and ranch land is all we have and the importance of knowing the needs of the land and caring for it. With much laughter, the students were able to hear a farmer's point of view of what Earth means. Charlie Jones is the grandfather of 7th grader Colt Nelson.

As a side note, Mr. Jones taught one of our former coaches in Throckmorton, Texas. Mr. Jones knew he was still in Gunter, and asked to see him because he wanted to show him something. Pictured is former Gunter coach, Mark Neely with Mr. Jones and a signed football from the Throckmorton football team; and guess whose name was signed the largest on the ball?



Density and Polarity...

There is no better way to learn this than making LAVA LAMPS! The 5th grade scientists created a homemade lava lamp by combining water, oil, food coloring, and then the magical tablet that created that FIZZ! Some got the lid on in time, some did not... but EVERYONE had so much fun seeing the results of this experiment!



Ronnie Marr, husband of GMS Librarian Kelly Marr, was a special guest for Mrs. Loewen's class at their last library day of the school year. Mr. Marr entertained the class with a juggling show and taught the students the beginning steps to learn to juggle.

Hailey, Brylie, Tollie, enjoyed the show, but Alexis was especially mesmerized by the demonstration!



Mrs. Nicholson's dad, Mark Stone, came to GMS for show and tell about the history of the chuckwagon (both on cattle drives and on large ranches). He explained all of the different tools, antiques, and equipment that was found on the chuckwagon. He also compared and contrasted the similarities and differences of the chuckwagon and the larger wagons used on the Oregon Trail.

GMS MAY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



5th Grade:
Student: Sophia Pina-Lowery
Activities: Volleyball, Softball, Cheer
Favorite Subject: Science
Hobby: Arts, play with brother
Favorite Musician: Taylor Swift
Future Ambition: Visit Hawaii



6th Grade
Student: Tucker O'Daniel
Activities: AG Mech, Band
Favorite Subject: History
Hobby: Economics
Favorite Musician: Bills Wurtz
Future Ambition: Visit Australia or Ireland



7th Grade:
Student: Luzcero Escalera
Activities: Choir, Photography
Favorite Subject: Math
Hobby: Loves music
Favorite Musician: TR3 Elemento
Future Ambition: Be happy



8th Grade
Student: Carter Balak
Activities: Baseball, Football, Basketball
Favorite Subject: Science
Hobby: Baseball, Xbox with friends
Favorite Musician: Da Baby
Future Ambition: Pilot

GES APRIL STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Congratulations

Brody Barnett, Colt Kennemer, Ryder Lacour,
Gentry Russell, Heath Crawford

GES MAY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Congratulations

Maddox Clowers, Max Olsen, Claret Montes,
Alia Maldonado, Phoebe Layman

GMS STUDENT COUNCIL - END OF THE YEAR FUN



GES and GMS Awards

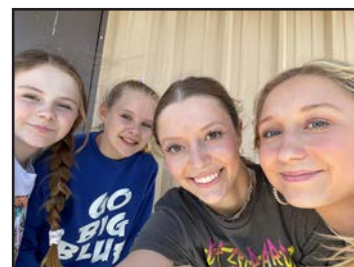


It was an honor to celebrate these students!
 Pictures from the ceremonies are available at the following links:
 GES: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/serugo8ic7iSiUC29>
 GMS: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/kiGYTvh49yM3mRFM7>





Mrs. Dodd's AP Language Juniors and some 7th grade English students from Mrs. Lemberg's class teamed up for some mentoring and a scavenger hunt. Having our high schoolers work with the junior high was so much fun, and a great way to motivate both groups! The winners had to take a selfie at the press box to complete the challenge and win a prize.



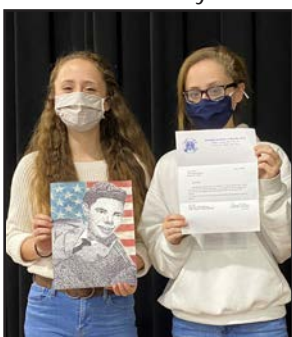
Young American Creative Patriotic Art Awards

The high school art students entered the Young American Creative Patriotic Art Awards art competition; a competition hosted by the local VFW Auxiliary. Each year, more than 4,000 high school students from across the country participate in the VFW Auxiliary's Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest. The contest began in 1979 to recognize up-and-coming

artists and encourage patriotism in youth. The first-place winner from each state competes for national awards totaling \$31,500.

The following Gunter students placed!

- Sarah Denton - \$15 check
- Viviana Galvan (2nd place) \$50 check
- Kendel Marks - \$15 check
- Alexis Marks - Progressed to the State level!



GHS PTO scholarship- \$500
Bria Savage



Gunter Chamber of Commerce
Scholarship \$500
Sophie Mathers

Community Scholarships

We are so blessed to have community groups supporting our students. The Gunter Chamber of Commerce presented a \$500 scholarship to Sophie Mathers, and the GHS PTO presented a \$500 scholarship to Bria Savage. This is the third year the PTO has been able to present a scholarship to a deserving senior. This wouldn't be possible without the volunteers in each organization, so THANK YOU, to those who volunteered to help make these possible.

FFA Alumni Scholarships

- Gunnar Griggs-Bell - \$1,000 Kenyon Wood Memorial Scholarship
- Colten Lankford - \$750 Gunter FFA Alumni Scholarship
- Beth Martinek - \$750 Gunter FFA Alumni Scholarship
- Aubrey Wendt - \$750 Gunter FFA Alumni Scholarship



SPRING CHOIR CONCERT

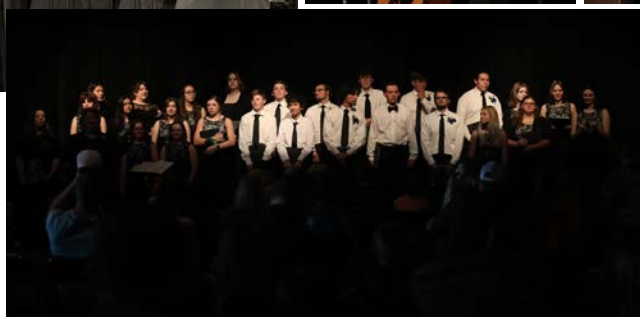
From the desk of Mrs. Deibert...

The GHS Choir wrapped up a busy and exciting year on Tuesday, May 4 with the Spring Concert. The concert featured 6th Grade Choir, 7th and 8th Grade combined choir, and Chamber Choir, as well as soloists Garrett Vogel on Guitar and Jackson Rue on Piano. The choirs challenged themselves by singing in French and Spanish. It has been a very busy year in the Choir room, with numerous concerts, "Seussical", as well as UIL contests and TMEA auditions.

My first year at Gunter has been a wonderful and rewarding experience. The students are so talented, and I am certain that we will only achieve more amazing things in the coming years. Thank you to the amazing Gunter ISD Administration for your support and guidance, the choir parents for your time and energy, and the incredible Gunter students for your hard work and dedication! I can't wait to see what the future holds for Gunter Choir.



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SPRING BAND CONCERT

The Gunter Tiger Band has had a historic year, and we look forward to what is to come!



3 Bands, One night of AMAZING music and awards!
2 Special guests: The fly (Mrs. Woods) and the Swatter (Dr. Siler)
1 Small group of 6th graders playing with the high school band!

Academic Banquet

It's no secret, Gunter has great students, and we love to celebrate them! We celebrate the best of the best at all levels, in sports, and in our organizations. Tonight we celebrated the best of the best in ACADEMICS!

Our Academic Award Banquet celebrated the top 3 students of each class academically for this year, Val & Sal, and the next 10 students combined from all grade levels. This AMAZING group of students worked hard to excel in their classroom performance every single day, and it has all paid off!

(#) denotes the number of years they have been invited to this banquet.

Freshmen

Shelby Blansett (1)
Jackson Rue (1)
Keeli Sweet (1)

Sophomores

James Bullard (2)
Lindsay Esnard (1)
Viviana Galvan (1)
Kamber Puebla (2)
Cameron Roller (1)
Kiana Swinfen (2)



Juniors

Audrey Curtis (3)
Blakely Esnard (3)
Malison Fisher (1)
Hayden Fox (1)
Cole Lemons (1)
Alyssa Tarpley (1)
Jaymison Voto (1)

Seniors

Mathew Avendano (3)
Taylor Boddie (1)
Jacee Childers (4)
Reya Dawlah (3)
Jayden Jones (2)
Makenna Kincheloe (1)
John McDowell (2)
Robert Rehmet (4)
Mary Smith (4)



The Tiger Floral team participated in the STATE competition at the end of April and represented Gunter well with their amazing talent.

Out of 59 teams, they placed 19th!!

In our AREA, we placed 2nd (Keller CTE was the 1st place team).

With 231 individual competitors in the competition, our girls did great!

Neelie: 39th Place
Ashley: 76th Place
Malison 118th Place
Breanna: 182nd Place

Looking forward to more success in the upcoming year!

**2021-2022
GUNTER FFA OFFICER TEAM**

President
1st Vice President
2nd Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
Reporter
Student Advisor
Historian
Parliamentarian
Chaplin

Malison Fisher
Nick Bullard
Madi Thigpen
Avery Diers
Brooks Griggs-Bell
Ashtyn Wade
Brody McDonald
Ryann Menser
Grace Fugett
Lexi Gann



BASEBALL PLAYOFFS

District Champs

Gunter | Bells | Pottsboro

Seeding Tournament

GAME 1 vs Bells (4-3)

GAME 2 vs Pottsboro (1-0) 9 innings

Bi-District Champs

vs Grand Salane

Game 1 (14-0)

Game 2 (4-1)

AREA Champs

vs Whitesboro

Game 1 (4-0)

Game 2 (5-7)

Game 3 (3-0)

Record 30-7



Photo Credit: Marion Cole

Regional Quarterfinal Champs

vs Maypearl

Game 1 (1-0) 10 innings

Game 2 (12-3)



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Regional Semifinal Champs

vs Elysian Fields

Game 1 (1-6) 9 innings

Game 2 (7-3)

Game 3 (9-3)

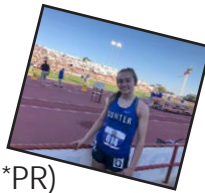
The TIGERS are still going! Watch for details on the next playoff game on Facebook and our website!



STATE TRACK



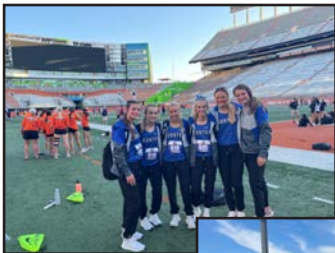
Mile Relay Team
Ava, Sarah, Elle, Jacee
7th Place (4:04.46 *PR)



Ava Cantrell
400m Run - 6th Place (59.53 *PR)



Abby Elmore
100m Hurdles- 6th Place (15.23)
High Jump - 6th Place (5:45)



THE SENDOFF!



STATE TENNIS

GHS and GMS gathered in the parking lot to wish TATE good luck at STATE. He played great, and represented Gunter well!



STATE BASS FISHING



Team Cassidy & Latham advanced to the STATE tournament on Lake Texoma. The fish weren't biting, but we are so proud of them for all their efforts!

More Athletic Celebrations!

- ◆ Academic All State - Wrestling: Bria Savage
- ◆ All-Texomaland Recipients for Tennis: Caroline Marshall, Tate Rehmet, Parker Hoel
- ◆ All-Texomaland Recipients for Golf: Kailey Tokarz, Kinley Johnson, Shelby Blansett, Reagan Long
- ◆ All-Texomaland Recipients for Track: Abby Elmore, Ava Cantrell, Elle Whitteker, Sarah Denton, Jacee Childers, Hudson Graham, Cole Lemons, Kenny Burkholder
- ◆ TGCA All-State Selections: Abby Elmore, Ava Cantrell, Jacee Childers, Elle Whitteker, Sarah Denton
- ◆ TGCA Legacy All-Stars for Track & Field - Jacee Childers
- ◆ All District Softball: Hayden Fox-Defensive MVP; Rhyan Pogue-1st Team Pitcher; Taylor Boddie-1st Team Infield; Olivia Eft-1st Team Outfield; Sarah Beth Jackson-2nd Team Infield; Sarah Denton and Shey Menkhoff-2nd Team Outfield; Andrea Montes, Madi Thipen, Makenna Kincheloe, Gabi Geisendorff-Honorable Mention
- ◆ Academic All District Softball: Hayden Fox, Rhyan Pogue, Makenna Kincheloe, Taylor Boddie, Andrea Montes, Madi Thigpen, Sarah Denton, Olivia Eft, Shey Menkhoff, Sarah Beth Jackson, Aubrey Walton, Elle Whitaker, Allison Padgett

COLLEGE SIGNINGS



From a Tiger to a Roar!
Sarah Putnicki signed
to play basketball for
Austin College!



Jack Locke will be
taking his TRUMPET to
Navarro College to play
in their band. He signed
with a full scholarship!



Taylor Boddie signed
her letter of intent to
play basketball for
Newman College!



Nyah Ingram signed
her letter of intent
to play volleyball for
NCTC!

SOCCER



The Gunter Middle School Tigers showed off their soccer skills at the Van Alstyne Soccer Field Day and won the following medals:

- ◇ Brylie Krapf-Flynn - Gold Medal
- ◇ Hailey Clark - Silver Medal
- ◇ Alexis Lewis - Silver Medal
- ◇ Tollie Ferguson - Bronze Medal

Sherman Special Olympics Track

The Gunter Middle School Tigers participated in their last Special Olympics track meet of the year at the new Sherman HS track and brought home medals & ribbons. Thanks to our volunteers; Neelie Parker, Jacob Parrish, and Savannah Ortega!

Tennis Ball Throw:

- ◇ Hailey Clark-Gold Medal
- ◇ K'lee Curtis-Silver Medal
- ◇ Brylie Krapf-Flynn-Gold Medal
- ◇ Alexis Lewis-Silver Medal
- ◇ Tollie Ferguson-Silver Medal

Softball Throw:

- ◇ Tyler Ross-Gold Medal

25 meter free for all:

- ◇ Hailey Clark-Gold Medal
- ◇ K'lee Curtis-Silver Medal
- ◇ Brylie Krapf-Flynn-Gold Medal
- ◇ Alexis Lewis-Silver Medal
- ◇ Tollie Ferguson-Silver Medal

50 meter dash:

- ◇ Tyler Ross-Gold Medal



SUMMER ATHLETIC SPORT CAMPS



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Reading Log

Student's Name _____

Book Title	Date	# of minutes read
Total Minutes		

Due Date: First day of school

GUNTER ATHLETICS SUMMER CAMPS

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LADY TIGER BASKETBALL CAMP - COACH KATIE STINTON
INCOMING 1ST-5TH GRADE - JUNE 1-3 | 8:30 - 10:30 AM
INCOMING 6TH-9TH GRADE - JUNE 1-3 | 11 AM - 1 PM

VOLLEYBALL CAMPS - COACH KATELYN GILL
INCOMING 6TH-8TH GRADE - JUNE 7-9 | 10 AM-12 PM
INCOMING 3RD-5TH GRADE - JUNE 14-16 | 10 AM-12 PM
ALL INCOMING HS VB KIDS JULY 21-23

SUMMER CHEER CAMP - RACHEL STANDERFER AND KATY JOHNSON
YOUTH CHEER CAMP WILL BE JUNE 15-17
2:00-4:00 PM AT THE HS GYM

WRESTLING CAMP - COACH JUSTIN MCDANIEL
INCOMING K-5TH GRADE - JUNE 28-JULY 1 | 1:00 - 2:30 PM
INCOMING 6TH-8TH GRADE - JUNE 28-JULY 1 | 3:00 - 4:30 PM
GIRLS & BOYS WELCOME!

SOFTBALL CAMP - COACH LEIGH VICKERY
INCOMING 3RD-6TH GRADE - JUNE 21-23 | 8:00 - 10:00 AM
INCOMING 7TH-9TH GRADE - JUNE 21-23 | 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

BASKETBALL CAMP - COACH SETH VANSELL
INCOMING 1ST-5TH GRADE - JUNE 21-24 | 1:00-3:30 PM
INCOMING 6TH-9TH GRADE - JULY 12-15 | 1:00-3:30 PM

FOOTBALL CAMP - COACH JAKE FIESZEL
YOUTH FOOTBALL CAMP WILL BE 7/26 - 7/28 FROM 6:45 - 8 PM AT THE STADIUM
INCOMING 1ST - 6TH GRADE



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That's a wrap for the 2020-2021 school year!

This year was so different due to all of the pandemic protocols, but as Gunter Tigers, we pushed through.

We would like to wish everyone a happy summer.

Relax, Refresh, Renew!

To all the staff members in the district, thank you for your extra hard work this year, you have earned your summer break!

To those who have decided to retire or resign, we will miss you in the 2021-2022 school year. **We wish you well in all of your future endeavors.**



Mrs. Crutchfield and Mrs. Ruffle fixed Haley Clarke up with some Pikachu gear to take with her to her new school.

Haley, even though you are moving to a new school, you will ALWAYS be a GUNTER TIGER!

We will miss you so much :)

HAVE A GREAT SUMMER BREAK!