

Martin News

Mr. Waagen

Soon books will be turned in, lockers cleaned out, final grades put into the gradebooks, and the class of 2017 will be receiving their diplomas. I think we can all agree the end of the school year seemed to come quickly this year and that it is hard to believe that summer vacation for students will begin. Wow! Where does the time go?

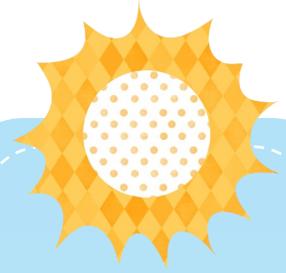
One great piece of news we received is that our school has been officially been accredited by AdvancED through the 2022 school year. I have previously written about the process of accreditation and the review process. I want to thank students, staff, parents, board members, and community members for participating during the process. The time and effort along with the input from all stakeholders provided genuine and valuable information about our school. It was recognized that our greatest strength, which came as no surprise, is the teaching and learning impact on our students. Overall our score from the external review team was 283.97 compared to the AdvancED Network average of 278.94. Areas of other strengths were recognized as well as areas that can be improved. It was recommended that our improvement priority be estab-

Mr. Bear

The school year is winding down. As of my writing this, we've got just a little less than three weeks left of school for this year. It is hard for me to fathom where this year went, but as I age it's also true that the end of the year isn't as much of a milestone as it used to be because August will be here in the blink of an eye and we just start the process again.

There is a lesson to be learned from the fast movement of time. We've got to make every minute count. Every wasted minute is a minute we will never get back. This is true in the classroom and this is true outside of the classroom. Everything we do should be done to the fullest extent whether it is work or play.

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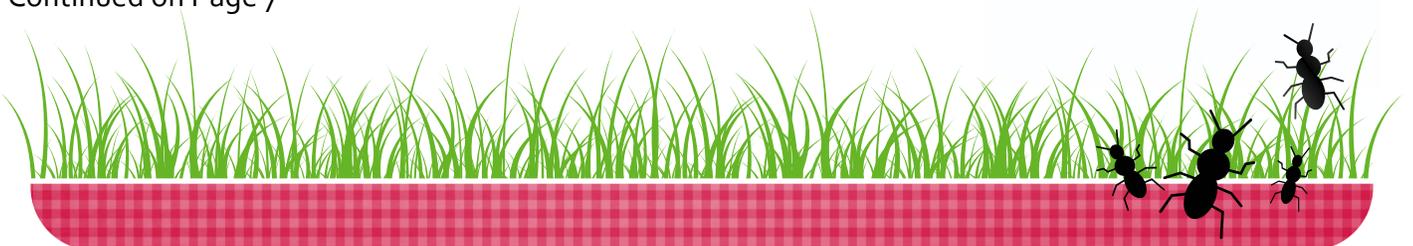


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Student Council

There is currently no new news this month!

-Seth Kjellberg, President

Pre-School

We asked the preschoolers about their summer plans, and they all want to go swimming! Cora, Jaxson B, Lilly R, and Kaihlynn have birthdays during the summer. Cora wants to have a party with cake and ice cream. Lilly T has a birthday on May 3rd. We also asked them to share some of their favorite things about the school year. Trenton's was when he got to bring treats for his birthday. Cora and Lilly R like gym. Lilly R also liked when they got to dress up for 50s day. Jaxson V likes when the high schoolers come to ask questions for the newsletter. Lilly T liked picture day. Jaxson B likes art projects and Kaihlynn liked getting to see Taylor and playing with dolls.



Kindergarten

The kindergarten class has lots of summer plans. Ella, Charlie, and Brinley are going to swim. Bristol is going to jump on her trampoline. Jalyssa wants to ride horse. Charlie is also going to play video games and ride bike. Leon plans on playing baseball with his brothers. Allie is going to play with her kittens outside. Brinley also likes to play with her doggies outside. We also asked them to share their favorite memory from this school year. Jalyssa and Bristol liked recess. Ella liked when Ms. Miller taught them and chasing her brother, Ian. Charlie and Bristol liked playing with toys. Charlie also liked chasing Lilly R and Kaihlynn. Leon and Brinley liked going down the red slide. Allie enjoys sleeping at lunchtime. A couple of them also have birthdays this month. Jalyssa's is May 30 and Brinley's is May 31.



First Grade

The first graders are ready for summer! They all are ready to go swimming and camp. They really liked art and the Red Hawks event that went on. They also like going on field trips. They are confident that they are ready for next school year!



Second Grade

Some of the 2nd graders favorite memories of the year are the art center, the pumpkin patch, the Halloween party, and the Christmas party. For summer vacation, Isabella gets to celebrate her sister's birthday. Ian gets to perform insane water stunts on the tube! Clara will run away to Jordan's house and they will jump on the trampoline. Kali is excited to go camping. Rhea will go swimming. Braydon gets to see his dad in Idaho. The 2nd graders love their teacher, Mrs. Anselment, so much, that they don't want to leave 2nd grade!



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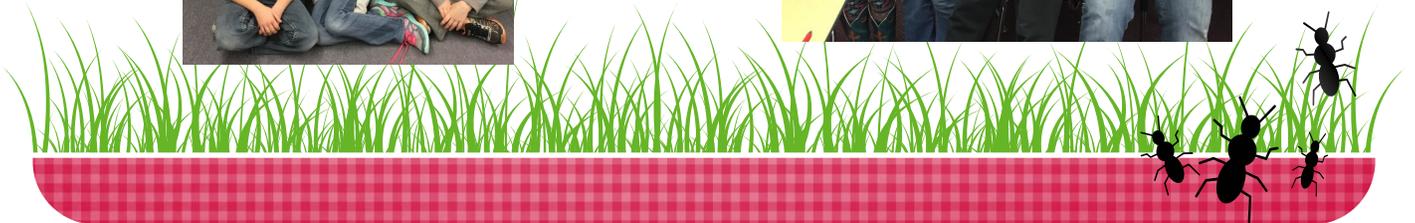
-Mr. Bear

Third and Fourth Grade

According to Donte, the best memory from this school year was running the mile in gym. The whole class also loved roller skating. In addition, the class did an egg drop, origami day, and Tea Party. This summer, they all plan on sleeping in! Donte is going to Florida, and Kadence is going to Colorado. Most of the 3rd graders are excited for the 4th grade because they get more privileges.



The fourth graders said they loved when they were given ice cream to eat. Cece and Caden also really liked going up to the art center. For the summer, Locklynn plans on riding her horse, and Cece is looking forward to going to Yellow Stone. They aren't sure yet if they are ready to go to 5th grade yet.



Fifth Grade

The 5th graders are excited for summer vacation, and a lot of them already have plans. Nate is planning on showing all summer and taking a vacation to New York! Louis is playing soccer and baseball. Most of the other kids are just excited to be done with school for the summer and play outside, and a lot of the kids also said they were going to visit their grandparents. Next, I asked the 5th graders what their favorite memory was from the

school year, and they all agreed it was Mr. Nelson's stories. They are nervous for the 6th grade, and they are going to miss Mr. Nelson.



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Sixth Grade

The 6th graders had a couple of favorite memories from this school year. Nora and Cheyan-na said they liked the Tigirlily concert. Leah, Gabby, and Kassidy liked the art center. They have lots of different summer plans too! Kadence is going to Aberdeen to go swimming.

Zach is going to hang out with his dad. Ash-lynn is going to see her uncle. Navaeh is going to Florida. Hailey is going to hang out at home. Finally, they agreed that they were ready to be in 7th grade next year!





Track

The track season started off with beautiful weather for the first couple of meets! However, the weather turned sour and caused three meets in a row to either be canceled or postponed. Overall, everyone is doing really well. We have had multiple placers in a variety of events with Lucas Rich and Lane Froehlich leading the way with total places. Lucas has placed in all three of his events in each of the two junior high meets he has attended, and Lane placed in all four of his events in the first meet and three of the four events in the second meet. Megan placed in her first ever track meet in the discus, and both her and Kassie finished in the top half of each of their running events. Seth's quest to qualify for State in the 200m dash continues, and we hope he can hit the qualifying standard in one of the four remaining track meets before regionals. All of our athletes have worked very hard, and it has been a joy seeing each of them improve!

Baseball

There will be T-ball and PeeWee baseball sign up on May 24th at 4 pm at the Montpelier baseball field. Uniforms will be handed out during sign up, and shirts for T-ball can also be purchased. Ages for T-ball are 5-9 years old, and ages for PeeWee baseball are 10-12 years old. A parent will need to be present to sign forms. For more information, please call Tonia Kjellberg at 489-3696.

Counseling News

We will be taking the 8th-11th grade students up to Jamestown on the last day of school for a career event!



High School Top of the Class

7th Grade– Megan Witcraft

Lane Froehlich

8th Grade– Lucas Rich

9th Grade– George Ringuette

10th Grade– Bailey Enzminger

11th Grade– Morgan Smith

12th Grade– Seth Kjellberg

Brant Naze

Dylan Moran

lishing a long-range technology plan and to continue work on improving technology. This area will begin to be addressed as our students in grades 7-12 will each have their own Chromebooks to use during the 2017-2018 school year. Yes, our school is doing great and will work to improve each year.

This upcoming summer will see a flurry of activity as the new addition to the elementary wing will be occurring. The addition will house the new music and the Title I/classroom. The relocation of the music room to being connected to rest of the school will improve student safety and increase learning time in both the regular classroom as well during music classes. We will also be seeing a change in our music instructor as Mrs. Bowen will be a chapter in education as she will be the elementary principal for the Litchville/Marion school district next year. Everyone will miss her positive and upbeat personality and wish her well in her new position.

Watch for updates on our website and possible mailings throughout the summer. Have a great summer!

Senior Highlight- Dylan Moran

Dylan is undecided on what he wants to do yet, so he plans to work full time at IDK in Jamestown for a year or so to figure things out before heading to a school. His advice for the underclassmen is to have no limits, keep your head up, and look to your peers for help. His favorite memory of going to school here is simply just how nice everyone is here.

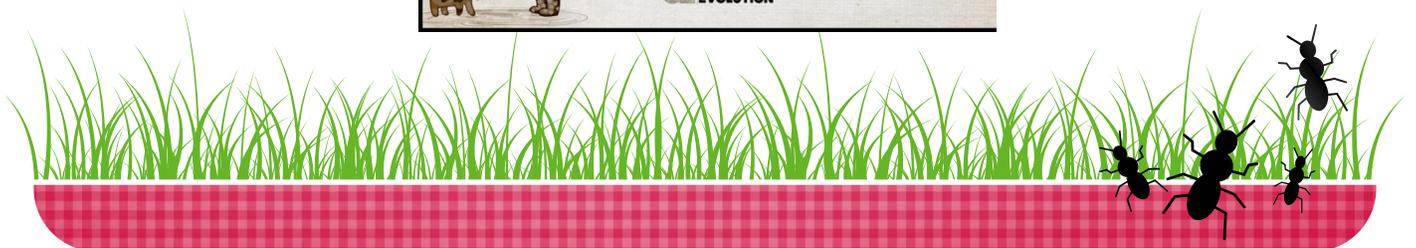
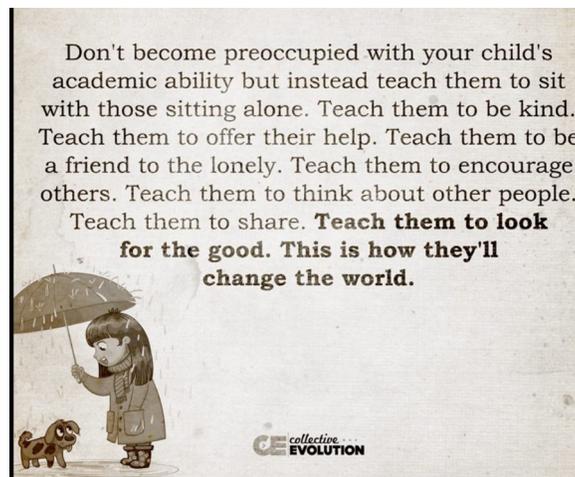


For me, school is my priority. That's why I chose to have a 12-month career then teach and only work for 9 months out of the year. I do cringe a little at the thought that if we have a three-month vacation that students will just spend that time in idleness. It's not all about academics and I love to see kids with summer jobs in order that they can better develop themselves in a setting other than school. I also, though, love to see a kid pick up a book in the summer.

Before we break for summer I hope we consider the milestones which some of our kids will see. Some students are transitioning to junior high. For some of our kids, that transition from 8th grade to 9th grade is a big deal as grades now count toward graduation. Perhaps most importantly, though, is that group of 12 seniors that will be graduating and moving on. We're sad to see them go, but we're excited to see what they'll do.

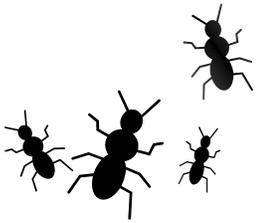
So let's celebrate our successes. Let's take that next step. And then, at the end of the day, let's pick up a book.

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Senior Highlight- Evan Johnson

Evan has enlisted in the Army as a member of the infantry. He will be stationed in Ft. Benning, GA. His favorite memory from here was the town wide Hunger Games event. His advice to underclassmen is "don't mess up."

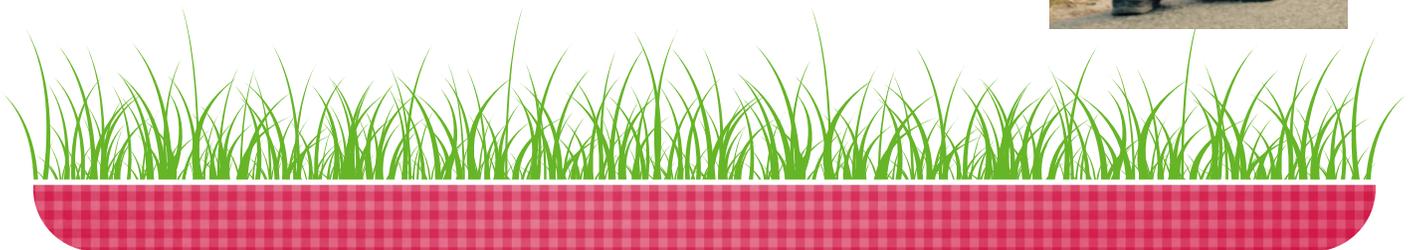


*"The teachers are really nice here! You just need to show them a little respect."
-Lucas Syverson*

Senior Highlight– Nik Marks

Nik plans to be a welder and will be trained at Lynnes Welding in Fargo. His favorite memory was when he took Ms. Trouba's screen out of her window to try to catch a football from outside. After about five tries, he thought he had the perfect throw. It was just a little high, so he jumped and smoked his head on the top of the window. As his head started bleeding,

he heard the door open and there was Ms. Trouba. Uh oh!



May Lunch Menu

| 2017 | | May | | |
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| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
| 01 | 02 | 03 | 04 | 05 |
| 08 Chicken Drumstick | 09 Fritata & French Toast | 10 Beef Steak Finger | 11 Brant's Sr. Meal McRib | 12 Chef Salad |
| 15 Evan's Sr. Meal Scalloped Potatoes and Ham | 16 Cook's Choice | 17 Cook's Choice | 18 Cook's Choice | 19 Last Day! Hot Dogs |

Music News

Please mark the following dates on your calendar! Our elementary spring concert is May 5, and our high school spring concert is May 9 at 7:30 pm!

May Activities

School Activities

- May 9- HS Concert @ 7:30 pm
- May 10- School Board Meeting
- May 10-13- Envirothon
- May 19- Last Day of School-HS Career Event
- May 21- Graduation

Jr. High Track

- May 12- Ellendale @ 4pm

HS Track

- May 8- Oakes @ 4pm
- May 13- Jamestown @10am
- May 19 or 20- Regionals- Lisbon

