

Martin News

Mr. Waagen– A Step Back

The summer has past and fall is here with its falling leaves and changing colors. The halls of Montpelier School are filled with 118 students along with 10 preschool students every Tuesday and Thursday. I always enjoy the start of a new school year, but it is also a time when I take a step back to assess where we are as a school.

One year ago, there were two major items on our agenda, AdvancED school accreditation review and our new building addition. Our school went through the review process and we did very well as a school and are an accredited school until the year 2022. The new addition and room remodel is completed after much discussion and hard work. Like mentioned in previous newsletters the music room and Title I/fourth grade classroom are housed in the addition. It so nice having the music room attached the rest of the building and will benefit our students.

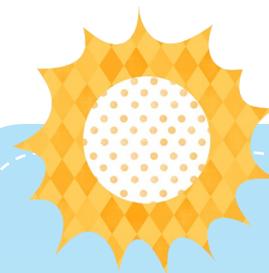
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Mr. Bear– Success

The world has changed. I remember as a young child that there were a few things we didn't have as a family that I wished we would have had. I thought we should have had an attached garage. I thought we should have had a riding lawnmower. I thought we should have had a satellite dish. But we didn't.

I do remember asking my dad about these things. He always just said we couldn't afford it. As a child, that means something different than it does to an adult. To a child, that means we didn't have the money. But to an adult, that means there are things we could use that money for which were more important. As a child, I didn't understand why we were so broke.

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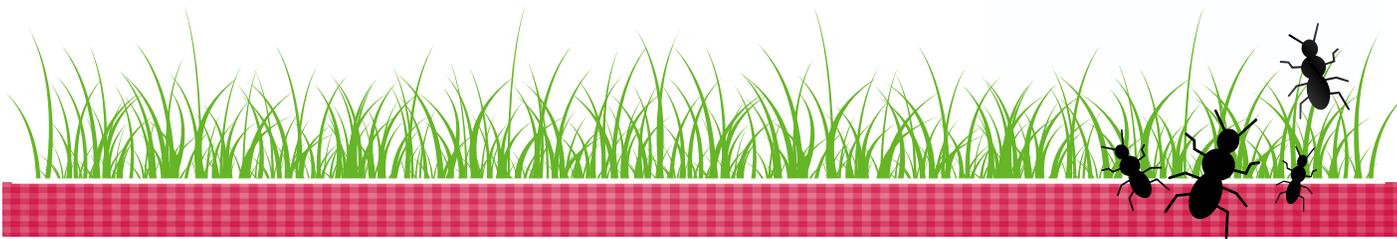


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Mr. Wright's Multimedia Class



Student Council

The month of October is anti-bullying month. In support of that, student council is going to be doing some activities with the elementary to inform them about bullying. This may help limit or even prevent bullying in the elementary. For schoolwide awareness, student council has designated Wednesdays to be a day to wear blue, the official anti-bullying color, for the rest of the month of October. Student council also plans on doing some other volunteer work and service projects throughout the year, which is really what student council is all about. Most of the council plans on attending the state convention in Bismarck from the 9th to 11th of December.

-Hobie Bear, President

Pre-School

Pre-School is off to a great start this year! They all love coming to school! Their favorite part of school is the playing with toys during their free time, singing music, and playing outside. They love art class with Mrs. Ratts. They all are going Trick-or-Treating for Halloween, but most of them don't know what they are going to be yet. Braydon wants to be a ninja, Casen is wanting to be a zombie, and Coraline wants to be Ariel. Their favorite part of Halloween is the CANDY!

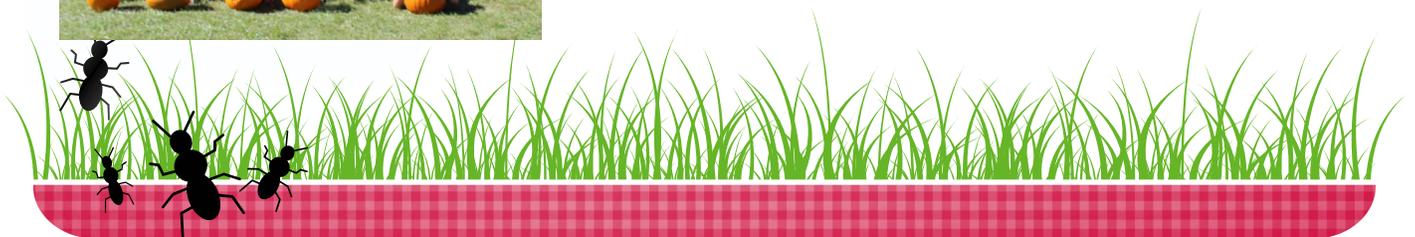
Kindergarten

The kindergarten class is enjoying the new school year. When asked their favorite part, Lilly T. and Kaihlynn said that theirs is going outside for recess, Cora said that hers is also recess and seeing two seniors that visit their classroom almost every day, Kiara and Ericka. Jaxon B. said that his was their work, Jaxon said that he loves everything, and Trenten said that his favorite part is being able to go onto their iPads. They have done some interesting projects, such as the kissing hand and making corn. Since Halloween is approaching fast, we asked the kindergarteners what they were going as for Halloween. Trenten said that he will be going as a Broncos football player, Jaxon as Optimus Prime from Transformers, Jaxon B. as a ninja, Cora as Scooby-Doo, and Lilly T. as a skeleton because she likes to scare people. Most of the class said that they enjoy the candy the most, but Jaxon said that he enjoys the fruit juice that he receives.



First Grade

First grade is doing well so far this year! They all seem to enjoy a different part of school. Bristol likes making music. Allison enjoys doing math. Ella loves playing around at recess, and Charlie enjoys trying new foods at snack time. Ella's favorite class is music. Charlie's favorite class is reading. Social Studies is Bristol's favorite, and Jalyssa likes science the best! For Halloween, Ella plans to be Mow. Charlie will be Superman. Bristol wants to be a deer, and Leon will be flash. Their favorite parts of Halloween are the decorations and the haunted house!



Second Grade

The 2nd graders believe school is going good for everyone. They had a variety of favorite things about school. They like seeing their friends, doing projects, playing at recess, reading, playing music, going to gym class, and some students really like the lunch food! For Halloween, a few students didn't know what they were going to dress up as, but they have plenty of time. However, Maycee plans to dress up like a cat. Kailey will be a tiger. Savanna will be batgirl. Aveahya will be a butterfly, and Mayson plans to be Pikachu. Their favorite part of Halloween is candy, except Kody says he wants watermelon. A couple of the major projects they have done are making spider webs and

making fishes.



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Third and Fourth Grade

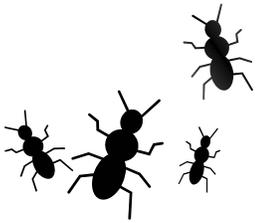
The 3rd grade class has mixed feelings on school. Even with that being said, all of the students like recess, reading, math, and gym. Their favorite project they have done this year was making all different sorts of paper planes. For Halloween, there were many students that shared what they planned to dress up as. We will be seeing some ninjas, a snoopy, and a clown. Someone is even making their very own vacuum costume. Their favorite part about Halloween is the candy and the games they get to play.

The fourth graders think that 4th grade is the best grade in the world! They couldn't decide on a favorite class or subject or project. They just seem to like everything! For Halloween, Chloe will dress up as Cleopatra. Kayden will be Deadpool. Cheyenne will be a black cat. Donte will be Freddy Kruger, and Max plans to be a hitman. Their favorite things about Halloween were getting candy, scaring people, and Chloe likes to ride horse around town!



Fifth Grade

The Fifth graders are off to a great start this year so far! They got to make solar ovens and eat the smores they made with them! They all love going outside during noon after lunch to see all their friends. Nathan said his favorite class is Social Studies. The fifth graders all plan on going trick-or-treating. Some of them are going as zombies, others ninjas, and so many more things! Their favorite things



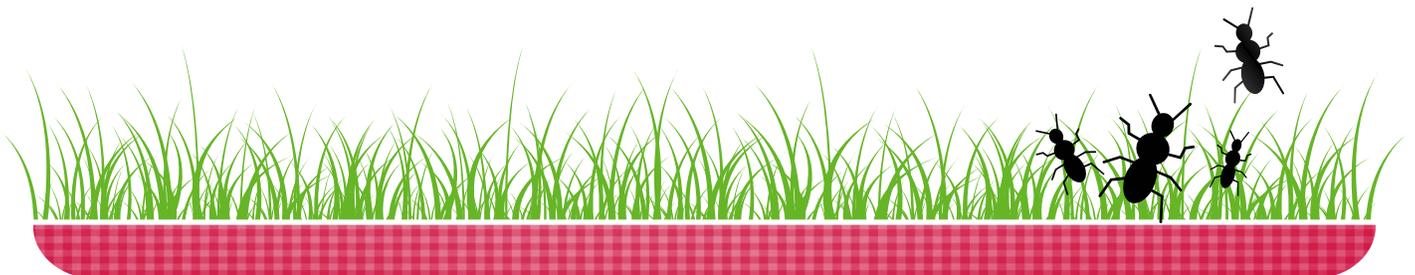
about Halloween are the scary things out on the day and the candy!



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Sixth Grade

Today I got to know the 6th grade class a little better. They told me that their school year was going fairly well. Some of the students' favorite classes were gym and spelling. The favorite thing they have done this year was making solar ovens. They got to cook smores using the sun and afterwards they got to enjoy their tasty snack! Although none of them said they were dressing up for Halloween, they did say that their favorite part about Halloween was the candy, scaring people, and seeing all of the creepy costumes.





Nate #45 Coin toss at the Fargo Dome



Lance #70



Zack #37 special teams



Dawson #70



Hobie #78



Lynkin #15

Football

Edgeley Viper's grades 4-6 had a great season this year going undefeated. Nate Kjellberg was on the Viper team for Montpelier. The Season high light was when the Viper team got to play in the Fargo dome against Wahpeton.

EKEM Thunder Jr. high football is also having a good season going 4-2 so far. Lance Kjellberg and Zach Dally are on the team from Montpelier. Lance Kjellberg Starts on Offense at center and on defense is starting Defensive Tackle. Zach Dally is on special teams. Our last Jr high game is in Edgeley on Tuesday October 10th

EKEM Thunder HS is also having a good season going undefeated and is ranked number 1 in the state! Dawson Meyer and Hobie Bear are playing from Montpelier. Dawson Meyer is the starting nose guard for the varsity. The Varsity has two remaining games before playoffs. Please come and support our teams!

Volleyball

The Junior Varsity Volleyball is going well for Treazur and Kenzie this year. They are really liking the other players and the coaches. They love playing with Edgeley, even though they miss the LMM Rebels. They are glad they got a chance to play with another team. They have won a few games this season, and their team even won a tournament a couple of weeks ago!

Lynkin is our lone junior high participant, and she says volleyball is going well too. Her team has won the majority of their matches. Her season concludes Oct. 10 against BCN at Edgeley.

Basketball

Boys Pee-Wee basketball starts on October 9. Nicole Van Enk will be the coach this year, and practice will be Monday through Thursday from 3:10 pm to 4:30 pm. Any fourth, fifth, and sixth grade boys interested need to bring back their permission slips to the school office. Their first game in Montpelier will be November 2 at 4:30 pm.

Jr high girls will start practice on Oct. 12 and their first game is scheduled for Nov. 6th @ Frederick.

Counseling News

No new news yet!

Social Studies News

7th Grade reviewed major global landforms by making balloon globes.

8th Grade made dip candles while learning about early colonial life.

Freshmen are starting to make craft stick forms of transportation used in the settlement of the state.

Sophomores made mummies when studying Ancient Egypt

Coming in October!

World History Medieval projects including coats-of-arms & graham cracker castle.



Treazur #14, Kenzie #5



High School Top of the Class

7th Grade– Eddie Harms

8th Grade– Lance Kjellberg

9th Grade– Lucas Rich

10th Grade– Treazur Williamson

11th Grade– Bailey Enzminger

12th Grade– Ericka Mastel

The newly created spaces that were the old library include the new elementary library, preschool room, and the counselor's office. I highly encourage everyone to check these areas out during next week's parent/teacher conferences.

Looking forward the school year will have the array of activities for our students including parent/teacher conferences, different athletic contests, music concerts, and other ways to be involved in the school. Of course, we cannot overlook the PTO Bingo night on November 17, be sure to mark it down on your calendars! We will also be asking for input through parent surveys as they are currently available for parents of students in K-6 and 7-12. Please take a moment to complete these surveys as they will help in future decisions made for our school. The two links can be found on our school website.

The staff is looking to have a great year and the opportunity to teach all of the students at our school. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns please call me at the school, 489-3348. Thank you and let's have a fantastic year!



Sophomore mummy project for Ms. Leggate.



There were, however, things we did have which I took for granted. We did have a four bedroom house. We did have a new car and a new pickup when I was young. We always had enough money for the light bill. There was always more food than we could eat on the table.

It's natural for people to gauge our success by what we saw as the success of our parents. But when I think of those things my parents had, I wonder what I could have which would make me more successful than them. And I suppose there are things – the latest iPhones, diesel trucks, and Smart TV's.

I don't have those things. Like my parents, I cannot afford them. That is a value statement more than an economic statement, however, just like it was for my parents. The question then has to be asked – "What do we do to make our world better?" – because we know those material possessions that we all want aren't really doing it.

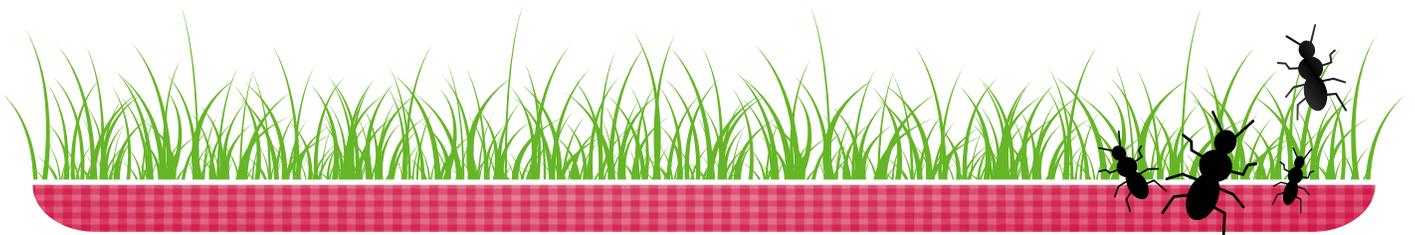
It's simple, really, to make the world a better place. We can improve ourselves. Each of these kids come into school with a certain set of skills. Some have more advanced skills than others whether those skills are math skills, reading skills, or computer skills. One of the biggest hurdles teachers have to overcome is convincing kids that those skills are all things to be improved rather than just natural talents some kids have and others don't.

And that is how we make the world a better place. We look at all of those skills and talents we do not yet have and we figure out how to acquire them – and then we do it. Because every one of us young and old alike can grow. We can improve ourselves.

So let's do that. Let none of us – teachers, parents, kids – be convinced there is anything we or our kids cannot do. And let's NOT gauge our success by the things we have. It's easy to have those things. To have those things all we need to do is hand over that piece of plastic and they are ours. But the things that have the greatest impact on us are not things. The 'things' that have the greatest impact on us are people. So let's all make ourselves a little bit better. That's the only way to make the world a better place.

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-Mr. Waagen



Students Hard at Work!



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-Kiara Debuck

Senior Highlight– Kiara Debuck

When she graduates, Kiara plans on attending Josef's School of Hair Design for cosmetology. While attending Montpelier High School, Kiara said that her favorite memory is when she was a freshman and her class got into a water fight with the senior class after the last day of school. They had all ganged up on two seniors completely soaked them! The seniors retaliated by filling up buckets and continued to get the freshman class. Kiara's advice to the underclassmen is to get your work

done. Do not procrastinate on it either because high school becomes very stressful when you continuously push off your work until the last moment.



October Lunch Menu

2017		October		
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
02 Meatloaf & Rice Pilaf	03 Ham & Cheese Sub	04 Tacos	05 Hotdogs	06 Scalloped Potatoes
09 Lasagna	10 Tornado	11 Chinese Orange Chicken	12 Mini Corn Dogs	13 Chicken Alfredo
16 Bisquits & Gravy	17 McRib	18 Cook's Choice	19 NO SCHOOL	20 NO SCHOOL
23 Sloppy Joes	24 Chicken Fajitas	25 Pepperoni French Bread Pizza	26 Chili	27 Italian Chicken Flat Bread
30 Pizza Burger	31 Scary Super Nachos			

Music News

The students are hard at work preparing for the Christmas Concert on December 19!

October Activities

School Activities

Early Dismissal **Oct. 4**
 Parent Teacher Conferences **Oct. 5**
 Bookmobile **Oct. 10**
 School Board Meeting **Oct. 11**
 Central Valley Flu Vaccines- **Oct. 12**
 NO SCHOOL- **Oct. 19-20**
 Bookmobile- **Oct. 24**

Elem. Boys' Bball

First Practice- **Oct. 9**
 Away Games- Edgeley **Oct 24**
 Ellendale **Oct 26**

Jr. High Girls' Bball

First Practice- **Oct. 12**

Volleyball

JH@Lamoure, Oct 2
 A,B@Lamoure, Oct 3
 JH@Oakes, Oct 3
 A,B,C@Linton, Oct 5
 JHTourney@Wishek, Oct 7
 ATourney@Carrington, Oct 7
 A,B,JH@Edgeley, Oct 10
 JV Tourney@Wishek, Oct 14
 A,B,C@Kulm, Oct 16
 A,B,C@Edgeley, Oct 17
 A,B,C@Gackle, Oct 23
 Districts@Oakes, Oct 26,27,30

