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McCrary Mustangs WIN the Mayor's Fitness Cup

100 percent of students, faculty, and staff from McCrary Elementary took part in the Mayor's Fitness Challenge. McCrary took home the inaugural Mayor's Cup. It went to the elementary school with the highest number of steps per student over the course of the competition. Elementary school rankings: 1.) McCrary Mustangs — 161,645 steps per student; 2.) Balfour Bulldogs — 123,955 steps per student; 3.) Teachey Tigers — 116,162 steps per student.

Pajama Day at Teachey Elementary School

Teachey Elementary is proud to announce they have read a total of 4,237 books which allowed students and staff to "unlock" their first reading checkpoint in their school-wide reading incentive program. Staff and students celebrated by learning in their pajamas on Friday, December 4th.



Amazing Reading Race at Balfour

Students at Balfour have been participating in their very own “Amazing Reading Race” and have traveled to Canada (September) and Italy (October). In November, all classes who “travelled” 5,000 miles (read 5,000 minutes) went to China. Once in China, top readers from each class got to wrap Ms. Maness up in a “human eggroll.” The students were very excited and had lots of fun! The two top readers for the school were Rebecca Lopez in 2nd grade who read 4,577 minutes and Nour Hassan in 4th grade who read 2,874 minutes! They both received a top reader trophy. All K-5 classes met their Amazing Reading Race November goal. Keep up the great reading Balfour!



Great Turnout at ACS Hour of Code

At this year’s Hour of Code event, an estimated 85+ people attended to learn more about computer programming and technology. The crowd varied from college students from Randolph Community College to 3rd graders from several of our elementary schools. Kudos to Dr. Julie Pack, Tina Webster, and Andrew Hurley for hosting an exciting and educational event! And a special thank you to all teachers, volunteers, and the DECA Chapter at AHS for helping during the event!



NAMS Students Visit Randolph Community College

Sixth graders from NAMS enjoyed learning about careers and the programs offered at Randolph Community College last Thursday and Friday. Students visited instructors in the health and sciences area as well as machining and welding! It was an eye-opening experience for all!



Teachey Receives PTEC Signature School Award

Teachey Elementary was awarded with the Signature School Award on Friday, December 11th at the PTEC Annual Breakfast at the Elliot Center on the campus of UNC-Greensboro. Teachey was chosen based on their “B” school rating over the past year and for reaching 70 percent proficiency. Congrats to the Ms. Amy Day and the staff, students, and parents at Teachey!



SAMS Promotes Graduation via HS and College Shirt Days

Teachers at SAMS recently promoted graduation with their students through “Rep Your High School” Day on November 13th and “Rep Your College” Day this past Friday. These special days always provide for some good conversation with the students about the doors that open when you graduate.

Grab Your Holiday Gifts from the OCS Class at AHS

The OCS class at AHS has a variety of last minute items you may need for the holidays at a great price. Cedar planters, small holiday planters, frames (custom made to fit your picture), and tiny succulent/sedum trays (great for small gifts) are still available and make for great gifts. The class has several plants including privacy tree liners and Cape Myrtles for sale as well. If interested, please send emails to rwood@asheboro.k12.nc.us. All money collected help students for their holiday shopping trip.



NAMS Geography Bee

NAMS held a Geography Bee on Friday, December 11th. Congratulations to runner-up, 8th grader Jason Leveille, and Geography Bee Champion, 6th grader Kevin Laur! Kevin will move on to take a state qualifying test next week. Way to go Kevin and congrats to Jason as well!



AHS Zoo School Updates

The AHS Zoo School has been very busy the past couple of weeks. Last week Asheboro Zoo FFA students designed a Christmas float, “Winter in the Wild”, and walked in the Asheboro Christmas Parade.

Thirty students then took a trip Raleigh the following Saturday for Ag Education Day at North Carolina State University. Students were able to take a tour of State’s campus, talk with current students and faculty, and attend a basketball game at the PNC Arena.

On Monday of last week, the students received a package from South Korea, that included a video, newspapers, samples of magazines, and various homemade goodies. AHS Zoo School students have had a two-year “pen-pal” relationship with a high school in South Korea. Last year the South Korean students sent the AHS Zoo School students several Korean snack foods and games. In return, the AHS Zoo School students sent them American snacks and games also.



AHS Athletics for This Week

Tuesday, December 15

4 PM Coed Varsity Swimming Central Davidson High School **Away**

4:30 PM Boys Junior Varsity Basketball Central Davidson High School *Triple Header* **Away**

4:30 PM Girls Junior Varsity Basketball Southwestern Randolph High **Home**

6 PM Girls Varsity Basketball Central Davidson High School *Triple Header* **Away**

7:30 PM Boys Varsity Basketball Central Davidson High School *Triple Header* **Away**

Wednesday, December 16

No events scheduled

Thursday, December 17

7 PM Boys Varsity Wrestling Ledford Senior High School **Away**

Friday, December 18

4:30 PM Boys Junior Varsity Basketball Southern Guilford High School *Triple Header* **Home**

6 PM Girls Varsity Basketball Southern Guilford High School *Triple Header* **Home**

7:30 PM Boys Varsity Basketball Southern Guilford High School *Triple Header* **Home**

Saturday, December 19

9 AM Boys Varsity Wrestling OPEN DATE *Providence Grove Invitational* **Away**

Santa Visits Balfour

Santa visited students at Balfour on Friday, December 11th. Students shared with Santa what they were hoping for, for Christmas. It was an exciting time for students and staff at Balfour!



SAT/ACT Words:

Fulminate: to complain loudly or angrily; to send forth censures or invectives

Velleity: the lowest degree of volition

Adamantine: rigidly firm; unyielding

READING COMPREHENSION:

Critique: a written assessment or review of someone's work.

Word of the Week:

Syzygy: the nearly straight-line configuration of three celestial bodies (such as the sun, moon, and earth during a solar or lunar eclipse) in a gravitational system

Other Events this Week

Tuesday, December 15 – Superintendent's Holiday Lunch from 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the PDC. This is a floating lunch event. Also, the Advanced Placement Reception will take place from 3:45-4:45 p.m. in the AHS Media Center on Tuesday afternoon.

Wednesday, December 16 – Administrative Leadership Team meeting from 9 a.m. -12 p.m. in the PDC.

Senior Holiday Lunch Recap

Last Wednesday, ACS hosted the annual Senior Holiday Luncheon for senior adults in Asheboro. This 20-year holiday tradition was hosted for the first time in the multipurpose room at Donna Lee Loflin. The seniors enjoyed a holiday meal prepared by our wonderful Child Nutrition staff and then were presented with an upbeat holiday program by the 4th and 5th graders at DLL. Thank you to all staff and volunteers who made the event possible! It was a great success!

