

Bobcat Bulletin



Toy Drive

A note from our Principal

Wow! This year is going by so quickly! We have made it through our first trimester and Parent Teacher Conferences. Thank you to all of those who were able to attend conferences to discuss student progress and concerns with our students and teachers. In John Hattie's ground-breaking study "Visible Learning" he ranked Self-Reported Grades as one of the top influences related to student achievement. As part of our Leader in Me program, we utilize Student Led Conferences to allow our students to take ownership and responsibility for their own learning. Using student leadership notebooks for students to self-report grades is improving learning at Butterfield Canyon! It was amazing to see the excitement in the eyes of students as they shared information about their academic growth with their parents.

I want to thank our amazing PTA and parent volunteers for creating so many opportunities for our students at school. Some of the programs that have already taken place include field trips, Reflections, Red Ribbon Week, Learning Links, and our PTA Fundraiser. It takes the collaboration of students, teachers, parents and patrons working together to improve student learning. Thank you for your assistance in increasing learning for Every Child, Every Day!

Our school is gathering new, unwrapped toys to help the Marines in their Toys for Tots toy drive. It doesn't matter how big the toy is or how much it costs. They just need toys. One idea would be to go and get a toy from the Dollar Store. Anything helps. Bring your new toys in and place them in one of the Toys for Tots bins located around the school. Ask your teacher if have any questions.



Teacher Spotlight: Mrs. Jaroscak by Sophie

For this month's teacher spotlight I interviewed Mrs. Jaroscak!

Her favorite color is red. Her favorite holiday is Christmas because she can spend it with family. Her favorite animal is a giraffe. She loves the LA kings. She has 1 brother 2 sisters and a dog named Duchess. She is also married. Her favorite food is tacos and she also loves Milky Ways. She has been a teacher for 26 years. Thats alot! Her favorite part about teaching is getting to know the kids.

That's a little bit about Mrs. Jaroscak! Say hi sometime!



The 7 Habits: Habit 3, "Put First Things First" by: Jessica

Habit three is the best physical habit. Someone who puts first things first could say, "I spend time on things that are most important. This means I say 'no' to things I know I shouldn't do before I'm done with my work. I set priorities, make a schedule, and follow a plan. I am disciplined and organized." If you do put first things first, you will eventually learn and represent habit skills. You can develop a good amount of self- management skills as well. Here are two amazing sayings, "He who fails to plan, plans to fail", and "Leaders don't make excuses".



Growth Mindset: Famous Failures by: Anna

Do you think Walt Disney was a great person? He was! Walt Disney was a great person because of his courage, determination, honor, compassion, intelligence, and leadership. I chose Walt Disney because of his failure and how he never gave up.

Walt Disney is a famous failure because at age 22, he was fired from the Missouri Newspaper for "lacking imagination" and "not having original ideas." However, he never let failure discourage him. In fact he said, "All the <u>adversity</u> I've had in my <u>life</u>, all my troubles and obstacles, have strengthened me.... You may not realize it when it happens, but a kick in the teeth may be the best thing in the world for you." When asked in an interview what would you do if you were in Walt Disney's shoes, Mckaylee Mcphee replied, "I would try again until I got it right." Walt Disney inspires so many people to fulfill their dreams in life.

Do you think giving up is a good thing? Walt Disney said, "Everyone falls down. Getting up is how you learn to walk." That means that if you fall down, you don't have to give up right away. When he said learning how to walk, that means that when you were learning to walk, you fell down, but never gave up. When asked in an interview about would you give up if you were Walt Disney, Kayla Draper responded, "No, because if you give up you will never pursue your dreams." Next, when I asked her why she thinks Walt Disney is a famous failure, she responded, "Everyone thought he was a copyright." Last, when I asked her if she thought Disney is a good role model, she responded, "Yes, he shows everyone you can succeed if you work hard." Working hard, and never giving up, guarantees that you have a great future.

Did you know that courage and determination helped Disney pursue his dreams of succeeding? Disney never doubted that he couldn't succeed. When asked in an interview about how you succeed, Kedric Larsen said, "You try something new and when it doesn't work out you keep trying." Also, when I asked him if succeeding is a good thing, he said, "Yes and no because if you keep saying the same thing to people, then it won't really mean anything to you or others." Finally, when I asked him if he thinks Disney is a good role model, he said, "Yes, because he kept on trying when he fell down and he never gave up." Success is a good thing when you try hard and never give up.

I admire Walt Disney because of his courage, determination, honor, compassion, intelligence, and leadership. Walt Disney is a great person. I chose because first, Disney's failure. Second, he never gave up. Finally, after trying very hard, he succeeded.

What have we been up to?

Sixth Grade by Aylah

6th grade has been enjoying their new science core. They have done several fun experiments.

They made Oreo phases of the moon, had a competition in ecosystems with M and M's. They will have the Eco van from the Planetarium on Dec 18, and are looking forward to their field trip to Clark Planetarium in Febuaray.

In social studies Mr.Maulis' class had a very explanatory discussion about the embalming process, and Mrs.Herrscher's class made golden cartouches with their names. Sounds like a lot of fun.





Hey, 3rd Grade, What Are You Up To? by Taylor

The 3rd grade has been up to a lot of fun this month with a field trip and interesting new subjects that they have been learning all about. Mr. Macloud gave me information about what those activities are and how the Third Grade is learning and growing through this school year.

First of all, they recently went on a field trip to the Bean Museum. How fun is that?! The Bean Museum has a huge collection of vascular and non-vascular plants. It also has invertebrate and vertebrate animals. It sounds like they had a blast! This month they are also learning about gravity and have been doing a lot of great learning activities to understand what gravity is all about. The best thing about gravity is that it always holds you down. Third Graders don't want to be flouting off into space.

Third Grade is having lots of fun this month, and still have many fun things in the future,

The Fun and Fabulous 5th Grade

By Berkelee Baker

5th grade is having tons of fun this year. They are learning many fun things in DARE, math, writing, and language arts, and they have had a fun assembly as well. In math they are learning how to multiply and divide fractions. In writing they have learned how to write a good opinion and narrative paper, and a strong topic sentence. For language arts they have been studying Journeys and finding the author's point of view. In DARE they have learned how to avoid drugs and alcohol, how to handle stress and peer pressure in a positive way, and how to report a bully with the 5 W's. They just had the Wattsmart assembly and learned where we get our electricity comes from. 5th grade is having so much fun this year and is ready for more.

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by Jonathan

Welcome back! This is Odds and Ends. Here is the weather for next week:

Monday: cloudy, in the high 50's and 30's.

Tuesday, partly cloudy, in the low 50's and high 30's.

Speaking about the 50's, you can let your cat travel back into the 50's with a 50's TV cat bed?

Now, back to the weather:

Wednesday: partly cloudy, in the high 5o's and low 40's. Speaking about the 40's, Y'all learned about World War 2? I hope so! And remember, War is not cool.

Thursday:partly cloudy, in the high 50's and 30's.

Friday, AM showers, in high 40's and the low 30's.

So, that's it for the weather,

Upcoming Events:

November 21-26: Thanksgiving Break

November 23rd: Thanksgiving

December 22nd-January 2nd: Christmas Break

Make sure to read "Odds and Ends" in the next edition of, The Bobcat Bulletin!

