

Barks 'n' Growls



BALLARD R-II SCHOOL
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From the Superintendent's Desk...

Welcome to the 2018-2019 school year. The school year is already in full swing and going well. We have a couple of new faces with our faculty this year. If you have not had a chance to meet them please make it a point to do so. With the addition of the new members to our already wonderful staff this should be great year for all. The students should be filled with knowledge and a caring atmosphere.

Believe it or not, the first quarter will be ending soon. Being that we are well into the first quarter, activities are also under way. Please remember to show support for our student-athletes, and display the excellent sportsmanship that Ballard has been well known for in the past years. More importantly, please show an interest in your child's education and feel free to contact teachers to communicate concerns, or to get an update as to how well your students are doing. Each teacher has a plan time each day. You can contact the office to find out when those times are. Also, for those parents who have internet access, don't forget to look at the school's website at www.ballardr2.net.

Please feel free to contact Mr. Bridges or myself if you should ever have any questions or concerns you want to express. As a school community we all need to work together continually to improve and maintain a high level of excellence here at the Ballard R-2 School District. Everyone is important in the process of school improvement. Please participate by encouraging students, sharing ideas, attending school events, and communicating to people about our students, parents, staff members, and community members.

Community is a necessity in order for a school district to succeed. When the school district and community work together many great things will happen and the students will be the greatest benefactor. We have a caring group of staff members whose goal is to partner with parents and community members to deliver a high quality education to all students. We want to see all students be successful and reach their full potential no matter what their future plans are or what skills they possess.

I am honored to be the Superintendent of this great school district and I am thankful for those of you who support and appreciated the efforts of all our staff.

While teachers and staff prepared for the 2018-2019 school year, we were very fortunate to be supported by a couple of local churches. On Monday, August 13th, Fairview Baptist Church provided lunch and school supplies for our staff. On Tuesday, August 14th, Lucas United Methodist Church provided lunch for the staff. Lunch on both of these dates was delicious and very much appreciated by the staff of our district. We commend members of both of these churches who have taken the time from their busy days to provide for the Ballard R-2 School District. Thank You for helping us to get the school year off to a great start.

I would also like to thank Millard Baker and the company he works with for donating the office chairs and supplies to the Ballard School District. Support is as always appreciate.

Again, please feel free in contacting the school should you have any concerns or questions. We will work through the best that we can.

Have a great 2018-2019 school year.

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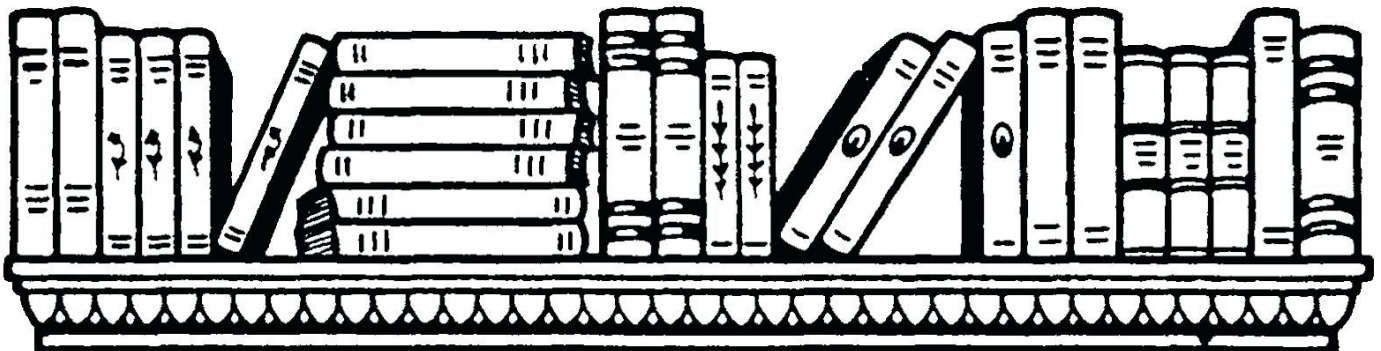
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Principal's Corner

Dear Ballard Families,

I want to officially welcome all of you to the 2018-2019 school year! I am delighted to report that we have enjoyed a very positive start to the new academic school year. I am privileged to have the opportunity to start this school year as the new principal. I feel honored to work with our highly qualified and dedicated staff, our wonderful students, our supportive parents, and our active community members.

A child's educational years are critical times of development for students and families, and I look forward to working with all of you to make this school year successful. I am a lifelong educator, and I am committed to students and families as well as a love for learning. My door is always open. I will listen to new ideas, any concerns that arise, and of course, any new opportunities that will allow our students to achieve.

Ballard has undergone a few changes. There are seven new faces this year along with one position change. Our new faces include: Bonnie Smith (1st Grade), Katrina Clark (Pre School), Carrie Scott (Special Services), Laura Larcom (K-12 Art), Micah Bergen (7-12 Math), Jennifer Chambers (7-12 Science), Stacy LaRosen (7-12 Agriculture), and Stacey Ordal (moved to Title I). Our staff works diligently to meet the needs of all learners while supporting, guiding, and challenging them to be the best they can be.

Together with our families and the community, the staff and students will work toward academic, social, and emotional growth and development. Parents and community members are strongly encouraged to become involved in the school. We invite you to become an active participant

through volunteering, joining our PTO and/or Booster Club, and attending/supporting school events. Research clearly states that when parents/guardians participate and are involved in their child's education, there is a greater likelihood of academic success for the child. We would love to have each of you in our building as a volunteer. Volunteering can include: reading to students, listening to students read, or lending a helping hand. If you have any time and would be interested, please let us know. We would also like to invite you to visit our school's website. This will serve as a resource tool for all upcoming events, student/parent handbook, important reminders, and our "Barks and Growls" newspaper.

We would like to thank you for the continued support that you give to your children and encourage you to continue to play a very active part in their learning by talking to them about their studies, encouraging them to read, and making sure they complete their homework. We look forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure each child can achieve his or her highest potential. We recognize that in order to be successful in school, our children need support from both the home and school. We know a strong partnership with you will make a great difference in your child's education. We thank you in advance for your continued support and guidance, and we look forward to seeing you throughout the 2018-2019 school year.

With Great Appreciation,
Mr. Dustin Bridges

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Ballard R-2 School Says "Hey!"



Student of the Month

The Ballard R-II School District is pleased to be working in conjunction with the Adrian Optimist Club to honor a Student of the Month for the 2018-2019 school year.

Student of the Month is selected by the staff of the Ballard R-II School District using the following criteria: attendance, attitude towards others and school, behavior, leadership, and improvement in or maintenance of good grades.

The Student of the Month for September is senior Morgan Wheeler, daughter of JR and Rocky Wheeler. Physical Education teacher, Jim Hillman states, "Morgan always has an up-beat attitude. She always puts others before herself. Even if bad things happen to Morgan she always finds a way to persevere." Volleyball coach, Tina Eidson states, "Morgan demonstrates leadership through integrity. On the volleyball court, she would put the team ahead of herself and teach with a "do as I do" not just "do as I say" attitude. She is always supportive of those around her and works hard to be successful. Her work ethic shows her belief that things are earned through the work you put into what you do." Math teacher, Micah Bergen states, "Although I do not have Morgan in class, she is willing to smile and say hello to me, each time we pass in the hall--a simple act of kindness that always brightens my day. Keep up the good attitude, Morgan!" Morgan was recently chosen to be a member of PAW PRIDE (Personal Responsibility Is Delivering Encouragement), a JH/HS Student Leadership Program that works with both elementary and high school age students.

For Morgan's hard work in school, she is receiving a certificate of recognition from the Adrian Optimist Club and \$20.00 in Adrian Chamber of Commerce "Chamber Bucks."



Pictured: Principal Dustin Bridges, Morgan Wheeler, and Optimist Member Hugh Jenkins

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↓ Check it Out!!! ↓

There is a variety of ways to keep informed on school happenings. We encourage you to utilize any or all of these:

The district website at www.ballardr2.net is a good place to start for many types of information. You'll find an activity calendar and menus for lunch and breakfast. The complete Board of Education Policy is there, as well as the Student Handbook. The Counselor page has a lot of good information, including ACT Testing; A+ Program; Jr. High / High School Class Schedule and Scholarship information. Each month, a color version of the school newspaper "Barks 'n' Growls" is posted. Be sure to visit the district website for all this and much more!

Also, on the website is a link to PowerSchool, our student information system. By utilizing this link, parents can access individual student information. A parent can check student attendance, current grades and lunch balances. If you have already been using this feature, your log-in information has not changed. If you need log-in information, just call the school and we'll give it to you.

The school has a Facebook page which is used for several types of announcements. There is a link to this page on the district website, or you can search on your Facebook page for Ballard R-II School District. We use the Facebook page to share reminders for upcoming events, announcements, fun things happening at school, etc. Click "Like" on the school's Facebook page to receive posts in your own news feed.

Finally, we have two text notification groups available. To join the **school-wide group** (school closings and other all-school info), text @BR2School to 23559. To join the **activities group** (schedules, events, game time, changes), text @BallardBulldogs to 23559.

As much as possible, urgent notifications are shared all three ways: www.ballardr2.net, Facebook, and text message. Less urgent items may be shared on the website and/or Facebook page, but not by text. The more options you utilize, the more informed you'll be!

Written by Kerri Loyd
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SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Jackson Rotert

Jackson Rotert, 17, is the son of Chris and Michelle Rotert, the brother of Lilly and Callan Rotert. Some of his favorites include TA for pre-school and geography/current events class, the color blue, chocolate chip pancakes, IHOP, the song "High Hopes" by Panic At the Disco. Jackson's dream car is a blue 1979 Stingray Corvette. Some of Jackson's hobbies include basketball, watching movies, reading, and Taco Bell trips. Some of Jackson's extracurricular activities include basketball, baseball, 4-H, and Ballard Honor Society. Jackson's plan after graduation is going to college to major in Economics and Sports Management and playing sports. When asked where he sees himself in 15 years he replied "I see myself living in the city somewhere and working my way up to manage an NBA team. Jackson's famous last words are "YEET" and "Dab on em".



By Amanda Teagarden

October Birthdays

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| 2-Oct Ms. Kabir | 14-Oct Mr. Bridges |
| 4-Oct Serenity Morris | 15-Oct Kelsie Karo |
| 5-Oct Chandler Borland | 16-Oct Maxton Wainscott |
| 7-Oct Jacob Eidson | 17-Oct Cade Callahan |
| 7-Oct Zoe Frederick | 17-Oct Jailynn Wheeler |
| 8-Oct Audrey Foster | 17-Oct Morgan Wheeler |
| 9-Oct Mrs. Atchison | 24-Oct Payton Miller |
| 11-Oct Mrs. Hathcock | 26-Oct Brianna Pray |
| 12-Oct Sudie Callahan | 28-Oct Brendan Moore |

Preschool Pups

Miss Clark

A lot of stuff has been happening so far with the Preschoolers this new school year. So far they have learned the letters A, B, and C, and the numbers 1, 2, and 3. They have also begun learning to write their own name. They are so full of energy and ready to learn, I can't wait to see what this year has in store.

By Jackson Rotert



Crazy Kindergarten

Mrs. Hathcock



Fun day making apple sauce! Pictured L-R: Maxton Wainscott, Keenen Engelhardt, Ellee Scott, Zander Miller, Jennifer Carpenter, and Charles Fisher

It has been an exciting few months in Kindergarten. I have a great class this year and I have so enjoyed getting to know them and learn more about their likes and dislikes. They are a great bunch of energetic kids who have an excitement for school and learning. I have been impressed with all the great work they have been doing.

Some of the things we have been learning in Kindergarten so far are sight words. Sight words are words they memorize and are not able to sound out. Also, they are already starting to read! We have been practicing letters through writing and working on the sounds they make. We will be celebrating Johnny Appleseed's birthday by having a fun day of all things apples. This also goes with the letter of the week, which is letter A. I am looking forward to another great year with some great kids!



Written by Mrs. Hathcock
Formatted by Amanda Teagarden

Sweet Second

Mrs. West



We have blasted into outer space! All of my astronauts have been engaged and attentive in all of our reviewing that took place at the beginning of the year. Now we are fully ready to "reach for the stars" as we begin preparing to become independent learners!

If my space references have you puzzled, you should know that is simply how our room is decorated this year. We are using terms like "ready to launch" instead of "ready to learn". We even have an actual rocket in our room! The class painted it, and now we use it as a reading station or a quiet place to study. Second grade this year is really going to be a blast!

Pictured right: Lily Bergen and Aspyn Eidson are very serious as they color the rocket.



Written by Mrs. West
Formatted by Morgan Wheeler

Talented Third

Ms. Kabir



On Friday, August 24, the third grade decided to test their wits in an egg drop experiment. It was the first experiment of the year and it turned out great. The day was beautiful and the kids had a blast. Hopefully this fun lasts throughout the rest of the year.

By Jailynn Wheeler

L to R: Gavin Schliem, Zoe Frederick, Jacob Eidson, Addilynn Engelhardt, Harry Greer, Nathan Bales, and Owen Meade



Fantastic Fifth

Mrs. Bergen

This month in Math we are learning about prime factorization and we are doing a bunch of addition and multiplication.

We are also learning about the writing process, which is editing and revising with arms and cups.

In Science we are going to do experiments. We played Tic Tac Booyah to study for science.

For Reading we are doing vocab. We read a story about a boat named Gaspee and we wrote a summary on it.

In Social Studies we are learning about Westward Expansion and we are also reading about it in a book.

Written by Haley Pray
Typed by Kelsey Pray

Stubborn 6th Grade

Ms. Eidson



It took awhile for us to adjust to our new schedule, but we finally got it. In Math we have

been doing a ratios unit and rate equivalent ratios. Over in the Social Studies room we are learning about early people and Mesopotamia . During reading time we are learning about how to find the setting and details from the story. In Science we are learning about ecosystems and how they change. In writing we are typing our personal narratives. Last, but not least, in spelling we are working on vowels. In Grammar we are learning about compound sentences.

The Sixth graders are really excited that they get to participate in Jr. High scholar bowl, basketball, and cheerleading.

Written by Sixth Grade Class
Formatted by Jailyynn Wheeler

Sassy Seventh

School has started! We are having fun in all of our classes so far! We even started flyers for our first dance. Here's to the start of an amazing school year!



Written by Lilly Rotert and Aimee Cummings
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Elite 8th

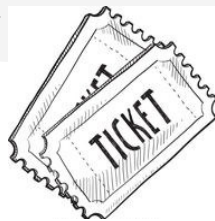


This month in 8th grade, we wrote a 9/11 paper in English. We are now going over cubed roots and square roots in Math with Mr. Bergen. In Science, we are reading about cells and how they work. In Ag, we are learning about the current FFA and the history of it. We are doing a color wheel project in Art. That is it for this month, we hope that everyone had an amazing summer.

Written by Averie Bales
Typed by Cameron Martin

Frazzled Freshmen

We have had a decent first month of school. In Math we are adjusting to the new math teacher, he is pretty cool. Did you know that he likes rap music? We would have never guessed that. Lol. In History we are going over stock marketing and new factories. In English we are reading The Outsiders. In Science we are doing States of Matter. In Computers we are doing tables and annoying Murchie like always. We would also like for people to come out to the ball games and support our teams and support our raffle! It would be greatly appreciated. Mrs. Bridges has been working hard on it and we would like to thank Tina Oerke for our custom designed banner. We really appreciate it!



Written by: Ashton Carullo and Briana Arredondo
Typed by Destiny Bramell

Salty Sophmores

We are back and busier than ever. This year we are getting used to our new class schedules and our new teachers. We have already started sports, so come out and support your Bulldogs.



Written by Kailee Smith
Formatted by Morgan Wheeler

Jolly Juniors

SPUNKY SENIORS

As the school year starts we are realizing that we have a lot more responsibilities than last year. We will be running concession stand and decorating for prom. We are super excited to see what this year has in store for us.



It was been a pretty productive couple of months for the seniors. We have been working hard to book our senior trip and, after a few power points and class votes, we decided on a house on Ponce Inlet Beach right outside of Daytona. We have also just hosted our annual chicken fry, which was quite a success. We would like to thank everyone who came out to support our class and everyone who helped out in making it

Written by Brianna Pray
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such a success. We hope everyone enjoyed their meal and had a great evening.

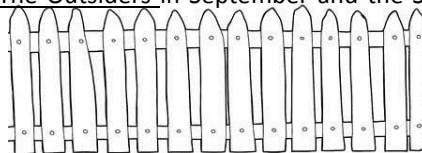
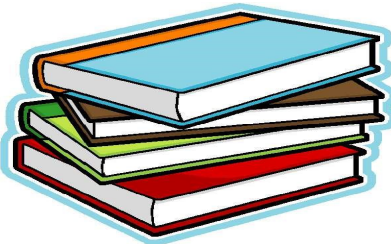
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Everything English

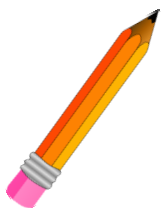
Mrs. Gregory

What a great start to a great new school year! There have been fun new changes to the old English classes. We have combined the 11th and 12th grade ELA in to Advanced ELA and made

College Prep much more "preppie". The new College Prep will be learning valuable things like all the different scholarships and other ways to pay for college and how to apply for them. We have also added Accelerated Reader (AR) to the high school. The ELA classes will be reading two books each this year starting with the Freshman reading The Outsiders in September and the Sophomores reading Tom Sawyer in October.



Written by Mrs. Gregory
Formatted by Kelsey Pray



Outstanding Art

Mrs. Larcom



We are off to a great start! We started the year reviewing the elements and principals of art.

Advanced art has been creating altered books and 3D art designed covers for an art journal and have started making Styrofoam cup sculptures.

Art 1 created an accordion book to review the elements of art and have now started a one point perspective drawing of a hallway.

Drawing class designed covers for their art books, created a contour line drawing of their hands and are now starting a two point perspective drawing of a haunted house.

Kindergarten and First grade have completed a line design and spiral cut project.

Second and Third grade have completed line design and paper collages and are now beginning a fall landscape.

Fourth grade created an abstract design with their name and are now finishing a line project called My Crazy Hair Day.

Fifth and Sixth grade finished an abstract design using their name and made a sculpture out of a line design they drew.

Eighth grade completed a line design sculpture and a two point perspective cityscape and have begun to create a color wheel.

Written by Mrs. Larcom
Typed by Kelsey Pray



Literary Library

Lacy Burgin



Students have been eagerly learning parts of speech and literacy. Kindergarten has learned how to check out books! Both Kindergarten and First Grade have read several books so far this year. Second and Third Grades have been listening to Kayla W. read the Wings of Fire graphic novel. Fourth Grade has been listening to Kayla W. read Paddington. They will watch the movie once they finish the book and compare the differences between them. Fifth and Sixth Grades have been reading the first book in the Wings of Fire series. We will have a book fair December 3-7. I hope we have as much community support as last year!! The Ballard community is AMAZING and I am blessed to be a part of such a great community.

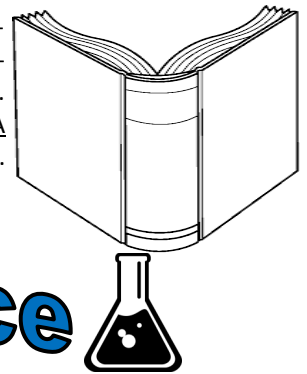
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Title 1 News

Mrs. Ordal

Parents do you have a struggling reader that is in upper junior high or high school? The following is a list of great books for struggling readers: Something Upstairs by Avi, Death Grip by J. Bennett, Freedom Crossing by M. Clark, The Shadow Brothers by A. Cannon, Children of the River by L. Crew, The Trouble with Lemons by D. Hayes, Letters from Rifka by K. Hesse, Bearstone by W. Hobbs, A Place to Belong by J. Nixon, Blizzard by J. O'Connor, Canyons by G. Paulsen, Fine White Dust by C. Rylant and The Road to Memphis by M. Taylor.

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Spectacular Science

Mrs. Chambers



Hello to all! I would like to say thank you for a wonderful start to a new school year. In the science room we are off and running. I have structured the class time so your young adults will be able to get their classwork done in class. If they are using their time wisely they will very rarely have any homework; however, I do tell the students to study the vocabulary every night.

The seventh grade group is in the mist of learning about the universe. They have had tons of hands on activities to help them along the way.

The Biology group is learning how to apply the scientific method to our daily life. We have counted water droplets, looked at slides under a microscope, and are learning about the individuals who have changed biology over the years.

If you have any questions or would like more information please check Edmodo, Remind or email me.

Written by: Mrs. Chambers
Typed by: Brianna Pray



It's All History

Mr. Dunkin

In World History, we are focused on the major events that changed the world; so far we have looked at Mesopotamia, Egypt, and India.

In U.S. History, so far we have reviewed the Civil War. We have also investigated the settling of the West.

In 7th Grade Geography, we have looked at basic geography skills such as reading a map, latitude and longitude, and we are currently looking at the forces that shape the earth.

In 8th Grade U.S. History, we first looked at the first Americans, and now we are currently studying European Exploration of the Americas.

In Government, we are looking at the different types of government, and now we are focused on the origins of the U.S. Government.

In Geography with juniors and seniors we are identifying countries in Africa, the Middle East, and Asia, along with exploring culture.

Written by: Mr. Dunkin
Typed by: Destiny Bramell





New Faces



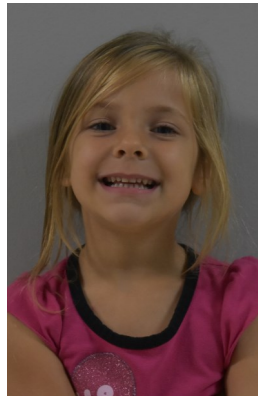

What is your name? Melody Bergen
What grade are you in? Preschool
What is your favorite:
Movie: Barbie
Food: Mac & Cheese
Color: Pink
Holiday: Christmas
Sport: Basketball
What would you like to be when you grow up? A Unicorn Rider



What is your name?
 Arebellea Carson
What grade are you in? Preschool
What is your favorite:
Movie: Paw Patrol
Food: Chicken & Potatoes
Color: Pink
Holiday: My Birthday
Sport: Basketball
What would you like to be when you grow up? An Astronaut



What is your name? Dani Crump
What grade are you in? Preschool
What is your favorite:
Movie: Mickey Mouse
Food: Chocolate Sandwich
Color: Pink and Red
Holiday: Christmas
Sport: I play on the Playground
What would you like to be when you grow up? A Race Car Driver



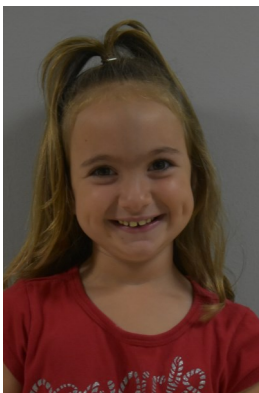
What is your name?
 Mckenzie Hartzell
What grade are you in? Preschool
What is your favorite:
Movie: Frozen
Food: Ice Cream and Pizza
Color: Pink
Holiday: Christmas
Sport: Basketball
What would you like to be when you grow up? A Grownup



What is your name? Silas Johnson
What grade are you in? Preschool
What is your favorite:
Movie: PJ Masks
Food: Noodles
Color: Red
Holiday: Christmas
Sport: T-Ball
What would you like to be when you grow up? A parent



What is your name? Nichole Luper
What grade are you in? Preschool
What is your favorite:
Movie: Puppy Dog Pals
Food: Pancakes
Color: Pink
Holiday: Halloween
Sport: T-Ball
What would you like to be when you grow up?
 A Cleaning Lady



What is your name? Rylie Schmitt
What grade are you in? Preschool
What is your favorite:
Movie: The Bee Movie
Food: McDonalds
Color: Purple
Holiday: Christmas
Sport: Basketball
What would you like to be when you grow up? Ride Horses or Be a Pumpkin



New Faces



What is your name? Jennifer Carpenter
What grade are you in? Kindergarten
What is your favorite:
Movie: Paw Patrol
Food: Carrots and Broccoli
Color: Pink
Holiday: Easter
Sport: Soccer
What would you like to be when you grow up? An Ambulance Girl



What is your name? Tapanga Eisenbeiss
What grade are you in? Kindergarten
What is your favorite:
Movie: Transylvania
Food: Pancakes
Color: Purple
Holiday: Halloween
Sport: Basketball
What would you like to be when you grow up? A Doctor



What is your name? Keenen Engelhardt
What grade are you in? Kindergarten
What is your favorite:
Movie: Despicable Me
Food: Tacos
Color: Red
Holiday: Christmas
Sport: T-Ball
What would you like to be when you grow up? A Firefighter



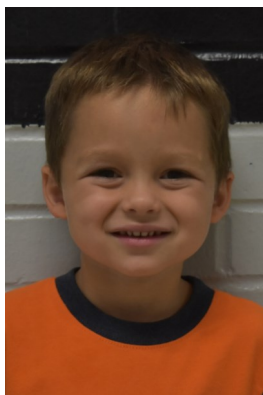
What is your name? Charles Fisher
What grade are you in? Kindergarten
What is your favorite:
Movie: Fishing movies
Food: Macaroni and Cheese
Color: Blue
Holiday: Christmas
Sport: Basketball
What would you like to be when you grow up? Firefighter



What is your name? Noah Meade
What grade are you in? Kindergarten
What is your favorite:
Movie: Madagascar
Food: Grapes
Color: Blue
Holiday: Halloween
Sport: Soccer
What would you like to be when you grow up? Nothing



What is your name? Zander Miller
What grade are you in? Kindergarten
What is your favorite:
Movie: Jurassic World
Food: Biscuits and Gravy
Color: Blue
Holiday: Christmas
Sport: Soccer
What would you like to be when you grow up?
A person with a lot of robots



What is your name? Huntlee Myrtle
What grade are you in? Kindergarten
What is your favorite:
Movie: Monster Truck
Food: Peanut Butter and Jelly
Color: Black
Holiday: Halloween
Sport: Football
What would you like to be when you grow up? A Farmer



What is your name? Tucker Newkirk
What grade are you in? Kindergarten
What is your favorite:
Movie: Avengers
Food: Tacos
Color: Blue
Holiday: Easter
Sport: T-Ball
What would you like to be when you grow up? A Firefighter



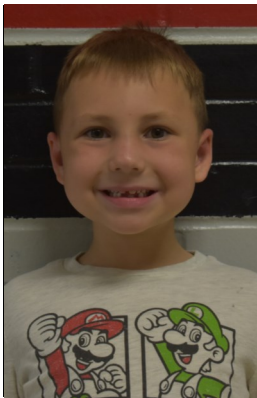
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What is your name? Ellee Scott
What grade are you in? Kindergarten
What is your favorite:
Movie: Lady and the Tramp
Food: Cherries
Color: Pink
Holiday: Halloween
Sport: Soccer
What would you like to be when you grow up? A Police Officer



What is your name? Emily Smith
What grade are you in? Kindergarten
What is your favorite:
Movie: Trolls
Food: Dad's Meatballs
Color: Purple
Holiday: Halloween
Sport: Basketball
What would you like to be when you grow up? A Butterfly



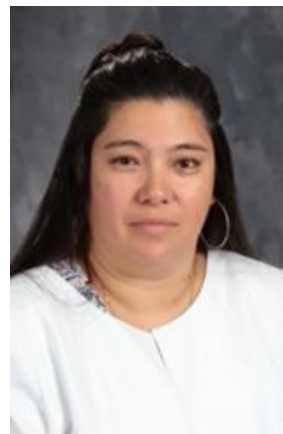
What is your name? Maxton Wain-scott
What grade are you in? Kindergarten
What is your favorite:
Movie: Magic School Bus
Food: Cheeseburgers
Color: Green
Holiday: Christmas
Sport: T-Ball
What would you like to be when you grow up? A Farmer



What is your name? Emmalee Scott
What grade are you in? 2nd Grade
What is your favorite:
Movie: Spongebob
Food: Chicken Noodle Soup
Color: All the colors
Holiday: Christmas
Sport: Basketball
What would you like to be when you grow up? A Waitress



What is your name? Mary Miller
What grade are you in? 8th Grade
What is your favorite:
Movie: Marley and Me
Food: Fried Chicken
Color: Rose Gold
Holiday: Christmas
Sport: Volleyball
What would you like to be when you grow up? A Vet



What is your name? Jennifer Chambers
What grade/classes do you teach? 7-12 Grade Science
What is your favorite:
Movie: Moana, Lilo and Stitch
Food: Any Pasta
Color: Black
Holiday: Easter
Sport: Soccer
What do you enjoy about teaching? The Aha Moments!



What is your name? Carrie Scott
What grade/classes do you teach? Special Services
What is your favorite:
Movie: A League of Their Own
Food: Gizzard soup or Moms messy chicken
Color: Brown
Holiday: 4th of July
Sport: Basketball
What do you enjoy about teaching? Seeing my students every day! And Murchie!



What is your name? Micah Bergen
What grade/classes do you teach? 7-12th grade Math
What is your favorite:
Movie: The Office, Batman TV Series (1992-1995) etc.
Food: Anything spicy, Mexican, wings
Color: Green
Holiday: Easter
Sport: Basketball, Soccer, Volleyball
What do you enjoy about teaching? Boiling down difficult concepts into manageable pieces and seeing students get it.



New Faces



What is your name? Stacy LeRosen
What grade/classes do you teach? 7-12 Ag
What is your favorite:
Movie: 8 Seconds
Food: Pizza
Color: Purple
Holiday: Thanksgiving
Sport: Football
What do you enjoy about teaching? Being able to share my passion for agriculture with future generations.



What is your name? Katrina Clark
What grade/classes do you teach? Pre-school
What is your favorite:
Movie: The Notebook
Food: Pizza
Color: Yellow
Holiday: Thanksgiving
Sport: Volleyball and Basketball
What do you enjoy about teaching? When I see a child's eyes light up when they do or try something new. When they are suddenly able to make the letters in their name or something they weren't previously able to do.



What is your name? Bonnie Smith
What grade/classes do you teach? 1st Grade
What is your favorite:
Movie: Harry Potter
Food: Pizza
Color: Pink
Holiday: Thanksgiving
Sport: Baseball
What do you enjoy about teaching? I enjoy making a difference and helping my students be the best they can be.



What is your name? Laura Larcom
What grade/classes do you teach? Art
What is your favorite:
Movie: Walking Dead and Coco
Food: Mexican food
Color: Christmas and Halloween
Sport: Baseball
What do you enjoy about teaching? I love to see a students self confidence increase as they develop new skills.



What is your name? Dustin Bridges
What do you do? I am the new Principal.
Family: My wife is Miranda Bridges and I have 2 kids, Cody and Clayton Bridges
What did you do before you became a teacher? I was an Electrical Engineer.
Why did you become a teacher? I would have more time with my family and to give back to society.
Where did you go to college? UCM
How long were you an Ag teacher? 10 years
Why did you switch from Ag teacher to Principal? I wanted to have an influence over all the students and not just the students in my classroom.
What is your favorite memory as an Ag teacher? All of the time that was spent on all the Ag trips.





Sports Pages

Meet the Lady Bulldog Volleyball Team



Pictured above: First row (L-R): Jailynn Wheeler, Kelsey Pray, Kelsie Karo, Kayla Wainscott, Amanda Teagarden, Morgan Wheeler

Second row: (L-R): Kayla Schmitt, Sudie Callahan, Destiny Bramell, Ashton Carullo, Briana Arredondo

Third row: (L-R): Coach, Tina Eidson, Manager, Mikayla Pray, Sierra Ferguson, Kailee Smith, Serenity Morris, Manager, Brianna Pray, Assistant Coach, Amanda Kabir

Lady Bulldogs Travel to Drexel for a Quad

On Tuesday, September 4, the Lady Bulldogs traveled to Drexel to take on Hume, Drexel, and Miami in their first quad meet of the season. The ladies came to win! They lost with one win against Hume. In the second set the ladies fought back with a win in two sets against Miami, but finished off the night with a loss in two sets against Drexel. The team fought hard, but only walked away with a one game win throughout the night.

Lady Bulldogs vs. Hume Hornets			
TEAMS	Set 1	Set 2	Set 3
Ballard	21	27	9
Hume	25	25	15

Lady Bulldogs vs. Miami Eagles		
TEAMS	Set 1	Set 2
Ballard	25	25
Miami	11	14

Lady Bulldogs vs. Drexel Wildcats		
TEAMS	Set 1	Set 2
Ballard	12	14
Drexel	25	25

Tri Meet at Ballard

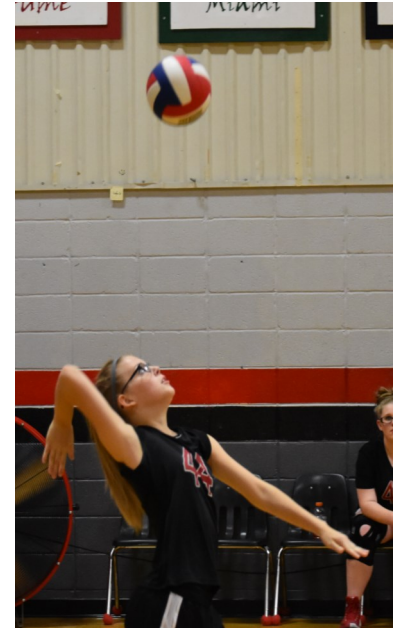
The lady bulldogs played in a tri meet on Thursday, September 13, at Ballard. The girls played very well but fell short of the victory to both teams. We lost 16 to 25 the first set vs Hume and 10 to 25 the second set vs Hume. We had a hard loss vs Appleton city with a score of 7 to 25 both sets. The girls fought hard and will be prepared to beat them when we play them in the future.



Pictured above: Jailynn Wheeler



Pictured above: (L-R): Kayla Schmitt, Serenity Morris, Amanda Teagarden, Kayla Wainscott, Sudie Callahan,



Pictured above: Kelsey Pray



Kingsville Volleyball Tournament at Holden

On Saturday, September 15, the volleyball team went to Holden to play in the Kingsville tournament. We beat Chilhowee in both sets, but lost both sets to Archie and Sherwood. The girls played well. It was a long day but we only came home with one win.

Lady Bulldogs vs. Chilhowee Indians September 15, 2018		
TEAMS	Set 1	Set 2
Ballard	25	25
Chilhowee	21	23

Lady Bulldogs vs. Archie Whirlwinds September 15, 2018		
TEAMS	Set 1	Set 2
Ballard	7	17
Archie	25	25

Lady Bulldogs vs. Sherwood Marksman September 15, 2018		
TEAMS	Set 1	Set 2
Ballard	23	10
Archie	25	25

Fun Page!



Q: What time do ducks wake up?

A: At the quack of dawn!

Q: How do you get straight A's?

A: With a ruler!

Q: Why is $1+1=3$ like your left foot?

A: It's not right!

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