



Mellette Messenger

October News

Mark Your Calendars

Oct. 5th - 4th Grade to DeSmet

Oct. 6th - Elementary Cross Country Run

Oct. 7th - 5th Grade GATE to Blue Cloud Abbey

Oct. 10th - No School. Native American Day/Columbus Day

Oct. 11th - Eat with your 6th Grader

Oct. 13th - Eat with your 5th Grader

Oct. 18th Eat with your 4th Grader Picture Retakes!

10:30-1:00



Oct. 20th - Eat with your 3rd Grader

Oct. 21st - PTO Harvest Party



Oct. 25th - Eat with your 2nd Grader VolleyBall Day 5th Grade am, 6th Grade pm

Oct. 26th - Inservice, dismissal @ 12:20. No Am Kdg. Pm Kdg attends 8:30-11:30

Oct. 27th - Eat with your 1st Grader Parent/Teacher Conferences 4pm-8pm

From the Principal's Desk:

Attendance

What a great first month of school. Our Average Daily Attendance is at 97.82%. We appreciate your phone calls prior to 8:30 to excuse your child. Attendance at school is crating habits for future employment attendance. We have taken a tough stance this year regarding unexcused absences and tardies. Every five unexcused tardies or absences will result in a 30 minute detention. Please be sure to contact the office **by 8:30.**

Safety Concerns

We are very fortunate to have our new parking lot which has allowed more parking on 7th Avenue (north of the school). However, we would ask that if you park on the north side of the avenue that you walk your child(ren) across the street when picking them up after school. There have been students darting out into the street. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Mellette Float

Great work sixth graders! It was wonderful to see our students, parents, and staff working on the float. Our theme this year, "YOU GOT SERVED...the Eagles" featured Mr. Don Palmer wearing the Mellette Bear costume and Raela Pries as our football player. I would like to thank all of the parents who contributed the trailer, supplies and time to making this an annual tradition. Well Done!

Movie Night

Wow what a turnout! Thank you to all of the parents who brought their child(ren) to movie night. It was outstanding to see so many parent volunteers helping in the concession stand area. We look forward to having our parents and students participate at Harvest Night on Friday, October 21st.

People Against Child Hunger "PACH"

The Watertown Area PACH Program provides complimentary snacks and meals to students who may need additional food resources over the weekends during the school year.

Any child in grades Pre-K through Grade 12, enrolled in any Watertown School may participate in the PACH Program. There are no other eligibility requirements.

Once your Consent Form is received, your child's name will be added to the list of students eligible for the PACH Program. You will receive a letter informing you of your child's enrollment or if your child has been placed on the waiting list. If the PACH Program has sufficient funds, she/he will begin to receive a supply of kid-friendly food at the end of each school week, available at your child's school.

Please consider letting this terrific program help your family. Questions? Contact Pastor Sara Nelson at 886-4427 or email watertownpach@gmail.com.



You are invited to our Scholastic Book Fair, a reading event packed with excitement for students and families. Join us October 27th and November 3rd from 3:30pm - 8:00pm during parent/teacher conferences. Students may purchase books from October 21st-November 4th during Open check-out times, library times and after school from 3:30pm - 4:00pm. A book fair gives students access to books at affordable prices and makes reading a positive experience. Children are more likely to read the books they personally get to choose. It's one of the best ways to motivate kids to read more. Teachers have selected books through the Classroom Wish List, which will be available for the students to purchase. Books make great Christmas gifts for teachers. Please join us to make this Book Fair the BEST our school has ever seen.

Stars for September

Alec Berg, Zachary Dargatz, Dane Stahl, Kaylee Blotsky, Abbie Gerber, Bronson Cole, Isaac Ilaug, Jacob Pagel, Kara Kaasa, Lauren Long, Megan VanDusen, Kiara Borkhuis, Austin Elbert, Rachel Holien, Halle Jungers, Brandon Schuldt, Sam Stanton, Josh Fish, Skylar Jenkins, Desiree Kerlee, Paige Phipps, Drey Reihe, Kiannah Scholtes, Nicholas Vockrodt, Spenser Buck, Jordan Carlson, Max Palmer, Kenzie Shubert, Amaya Vinsand, Bailey Zubke, Tanner Engel, Preston Glammeier, Ally Helle, Azariah Kuhlman, Nathan Matteson, Raela Pries

Target

Thank you to all of the parents, teachers and other school supporters for using your TARGET RED card. Recently Mellette has earned \$598.27 because of your efforts. TARGET donates 1% of the purchases made with the RED card to our school when it is used. Each September, those funds are distributed to schools nationwide. To date, TARGET has donated over \$300 million to help K-12 schools through the Take Charge of Education Program.

Social Skills for Oct.


Oct. 3-14 Greeting Others:

1. Look at the person
2. Use a nice voice
3. Say Hi or Hello

Oct. 17-28 Getting the Teachers Attention:

1. Look at the teacher
2. Raise your hand
3. Wait until the teacher says your name
4. Use a nice voice

October Calendar

3 6th Grade Swim Unit 6th Grade Band Rehearsal @ WMS 3:40-4:30	4 6th Grade Swim Unit	5 6th Grade Swim Unit 8:30am-3pm 4th Grade to DeSmet	6 Elementary Cross Country Run @ Football Stadium	7 8am-3pm 5th Grade Gate to Blue Cloud Abbey
10 No School. Columbus Day/ Native American Day 8am-6pm Kidscope	11 Hot Lunch Week. Eat with your 6th Grader 11:45-12:05	12	13 Hot Lunch Week. Eat with your 5th Grader 11:15-11:35	14
17 6th Grade Band Rehearsal @ WMS 3:40-4:30	18 10:30am-1pm Picture Retakes Hot Lunch Week. Eat with your 4th Grader 12:00-12:20	19	20 Hot Lunch Week. Eat with your 3rd Grader. 11:30-11:50	21 6:00pm PTO Harvest Party!
24 Beginning Band Rehearsal @ WMS 3:40-4:30	25 VolleyBall Day 5th Grade am 6th Grade pm Hot Lunch Week. Eat with your 2nd Grader 12:15-12:35	26 Early Dismissal 12:20pm No Am Kdg, Pm attends 8:30-11:30	27 4:00-08:00 Parent/Teacher Conferences Hot Lunch Week. Eat with your 1st Grader 11:00-11:20	28
31 	Nov. 1	Nov. 2	Nov. 3 4:00-8:00 Parent/Teacher Conferences	Nov. 4 Kdg. Conference Day. No Kdg.

Safety Patrol



Back Row: Allyssa Janzen, Megan Eickmeyer, Kailey Lindahl, Haley Sattler, Linnea Roeman, Alexis Gertsema, Kasey Lenning. Middle Row: Alexa Buckley, Keauna Gunderson, Jonathon Kerkvliet, Edward Barabas, Nathan Hoeltzner, Alyssa Doss. Front Row: Delaney Kucera, Spencer Marotz, Keegan Campbell, and Tangi Bretsch. Mrs. Slama is in charge of the Safety Patrol.

Student Council



President - Kenzie Shubert

Vice-President - Presely Rhody

Treasurer - Kasey Lenning

Secretary - Abby Gerber

Class Representatives:

3-Heupel Aubrey Shubert Alt: Brooke Redder

3-Wiechmann Spencer Blotsky Alt: Aiden Feninga

4-Johnson Tessa Holien Alt: Braeden Benda

4-Taylor Matt McDaniel Alt: Josi Salsaa

5-Johnson Jacob Gerber Alt: Brandon Guffin

5-Slama: Jonathon Kerkvliet Alt: Kailey Lindahl

6-Bellum-rep: Abby Johnson Alt: Spenser Buck

6-Heesch- Rep Ally Helle Alt: - Mac Walraven