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# Cat News



## **Conduct Reward Party:**

Parents, guardians and educators teach students to attend school, do their best, and be respectful to adults and to each other. Students hear the message of "Do the right thing!" at home and at school and in their community.

97% of the middle school students were eligible to attend the Reward Party on December 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Rock with the Shocks Women's Basketball game. We are so proud that we have a large number of our students doing their best!!!

*Future note:* The second semester reward party is scheduled for May 23, 2017 with our traditional pins tournament and a field trip to All Star Adventures. Students will have to meet 4 of the following criteria in order to attend this party: Still on the Green or Blue Conduct Card; 90% attendance; no more than 1 Failing grade; no OSS or ISS (a student who receives multiple ISS or OSS assignments will not be eligible); and doing their best on State and MAP assessments. More details to come in the next few newsletters.

Thank you for continuing to teach your child the importance of doing their best both at home and at school. They were rewarded for doing the right thina!

## Nominate a Well-Deserving MMS Staff Member or Volunteer!!

This semester we are again taking time to say, "Thanks, for a job well-done!" Staff, students and parents are welcome to nominate a "Staff Member or Volunteer of the Month." Each month, names are drawn to receive an assortment of prizes. The nomination forms are delivered to those staff members who are nominated to see the wonderful. kind thoughts written about the job they are doing. If you are interested in offering a "pat on the back" to a deserving person, please complete a nomination form in the main office or email Mrs. Becker to nominate someone.



# **Character Counts!**

## December – "Kindness"

Carmen Ward 6A 7Top Dawgz Kayla Manning 7B-Cats Cooper Schmidt 8White Chadwick Pinkley

6B Phoenix Wood

8 Green Carson Springer

January's Theme is Self-Discipline

## Reindeer Games: Fundraiser for Wichita Children's Home is a Success

The annual Fundraiser for The Wichita Children's Home was a big success. Mr. Huss raced his car with 8<sup>th</sup> grader Carson Wall's car, The contest was to be the best in two out of three races this year. Mr. Huss' car won both the first and second race. A select group of students battled in a variety of basketball contests and Minute to Win it challenges. The faculty participated in a friendly game with the MMS Basketball teams. Students paid a minimum \$2.00 donation at the door to attend the assembly. This event raised \$1,200 for the Wichita Children's Home.



MMS held its annual Spelling Bee on Wednesday, January 6<sup>th</sup>. The 1<sup>st</sup> place winner was Rusty Cortez-Martinez. The following students, along with Rusty, will represent MMS at the Pioneer League Spelling Bee at Wellington Middle School on Tuesday, January 10<sup>th</sup>. Malena Heck; Kelton Boster; Riley Davis; Kassidy Halpain; Matt McClellan

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## What's happening in January?

Da	y Event	Place	Time
4	School Resumes		
	MMS SPELLING BEE		3:15
5	BASKETBALL	Boys HOME	5:00
		Girls @ El Dorado	
6	YEARBOOK AND WINTER SPORTS PICTURES		
9	GRADE CARDS MAILED HOME		
	BASKETBALL	Girls HOME	5:00
		Boys @ Wellington	5:00
10	League Spelling Bee @ Wellington 3		
14	BASKETBALL	Boys HOME	5:00
		Girls @ Clearwater	
16	MLK Holiday	NO SCHOOL	
21	BASKETBALL	Girls HOME	5:00
		Boys @ Winfield	
23	BASKETBALL	Boys HOME	5:00
		Girls @ Ark City	
24	WRESTLING	@ El Dorado	4:30
26	BASKETBALL	Boys HOME	5:00
		Girls @ Prarie Hills	
27	PROGRESS REPORTS		
28	WRESTLING	@ Haysville West	9:00
30	BASKETBALL	Girls HOME	5:00
		Boys @ Augusta	5:00
31	WRESTLING	@ El Dorado	4:30

#### From the School Nurse:

The cold and flu season came upon us early this year. As a parent you can help keep your child stay healthy!

- Get plenty of rest
- ✓ Eating right
- ✓ Wash hands frequently
- ✓ Cover mouth with forearm when you cough
- ✓ Don't share food or drink
- ✓ Consult Physician regarding a flu Shot
- ✓ Keep students home when they are sick

**Reminder:** Per BOE policy, please do not send students to the building for any reason if they have not been in attendance in at least 3 class periods for the day. This includes picking up homework, after school activities, etc.

### Future dates and information:

#### NO SCHOOL:

Monday, January 18 <sup>th</sup>	MLK Holiday			
Friday, February 17 <sup>th</sup>	Teacher In-Service			
Monday, February 20 <sup>th</sup>	President's Day Holiday			
FINAL CHANCE TO BUY 2016-17 YEARBOOK:				

February 13 – 17 (cost of the book is \$35.00)

#### VALENTINE DAY, Tuesday, February 14th

Due to the major disruption to the learning environment, MMS will not accept Valentines deliveries on this date. Please have all deliveries go to the student's home address.

#### STATE ASSESSMENTS:

Teachers have been preparing students for success on the State Assessments. All 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be required to take the Reading and Math Assessments. 8<sup>th</sup> graders will participate in a National Assessment along with the state's Science and Social Studies Assessments.

#### PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

This is a very important grading period to determine eligibility for promotion and involvement in sports next year. Parents are encouraged to visit with their child's teachers about a plan for success and enrollment for next year.

March 13 <sup>th</sup>		4:00pm – 7:30pm
March 14 <sup>th</sup>		4:00pm – 7:30pm
March 17 <sup>th</sup>	(No School)	7:30am – 3:00pm



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