

October 2, 2017

Hello All,

I hope the beginning of fall is treating you well. Just a quick short message of thanks from me this month.

As school has started, I have really been able to reflect on the enjoyable things that we get to see every day. We get to see students come in and learn, hopefully setting the foundation for great things later in life. We get to help students learn how to translate current failures into future successes by learning the important lessons that only failing can impart. We get to witness moments when students "get it" after struggling for a few minutes, or a week, or a month, or longer with a concept. We get to see student success in academics, athletics, and life in general. And, because of the hard work and dedication of the students, parents, and teachers, I believe we get to see that more often in our school and communities than in many others.

Thank you to everyone that has made it possible for North Star students to be successful, and for sharing those students with us throughout the year. I hope this school year brings more successes to our students, and that as a community we can celebrate with them.

Sincerely,

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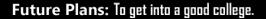
to Darius Wendland, Cody Jurenka, Zachary Anderson and anyone else who helped clear snow from around the school after the blizzard and snow day on October 3. Your community mindedness and volunteer efforts are greatly appreciated!







6th Grade-Quinn Trueax



Best Memory: When I met my sister.

**Favorites** 

Class: Language

Food/Drink: Watermelon/Sprite

Sport/Activity/Hobby: Valleyball

Color: Mint Green

Sports Team: Valleyball

### 9th Grade-Jordan Munyon

Future Plans: To be an FBI Profiler

Best Memory: Going to Tampa, Florida and swimming with the Manatees!

**Favorites** 

Class: History

Food/Drink: Ramen with White Rice/Pepsi

Sport/Activity/Hobby: Valleyball and Art

Color: Pastel Pink and Aqua

Sports Team: Orlando Saints (football)

### Junion- Janac West

Future Plans: Coach Tumbling and become an Interior Designer.

**Best Memory:** The Dirty Dash with my Family.

**Favorites** 

Class: Gym

Food/Drink: Cake/Apple Juice

Sport/Activity/Hobby: Valleyball, Snowboarding, Paintballing, and Tumbling

Color: Blue

Sports Team: The Griz









## Kindergarten News

The class of 2030 has begun their quest of a high school diploma with determination and energy! There are 17 kindergarten students this year, nine boys and eight girls.

To get an idea of what these young scholars like about school, I asked them to tell me their favorite part. As expected, recess and playtime were at the top of the list. Using

imagination, sharing and problem solving are important skills learned during these times.

Brady Campbell – Playtime with the cash register.

Kynzie Clawson – Playing Superheroes outside with my brothers, Gavin and Cooper

Riley Domire – Swinging on the swings at recess

Maci Dorn – Doing flips at recess

Aiden Freyholtz – Playing tag at recess

Benevolance Hadford – Playtime and recess playing house

Abigail Hawkins – Playing in the basketball court at recess with Kaylee

Lillie Howuttle – Playing in the classroom with the kitchen set

Kaylee Horel – Playing cheetahs and horses at recess

Richter Knutson – Playing Superheroes and Imaginators at recess with Karson and Ashur

Ethan McCormick – Doing Math at stations

Kacn Peterson – Playing on the swings, slides, and fireman's pole at recess

Khriz Gonzolez – Playing the explorer game with my brother at recess

Owen Sterner – Playing with the big trucks at playtime

Gunner Sudan – Coloring the book about "Stop, Walk, and Talk" from Mrs. Spinler



# **Biology Fieldtrip**

Fall time at North Star Schools is filled with many fun activities such as football, volleyball and homecoming. But Fall would not be complete without the Sophomore's annual trip to Fresno to help the Montana Fisheries Biologist, Cody Nagel, with the walleye

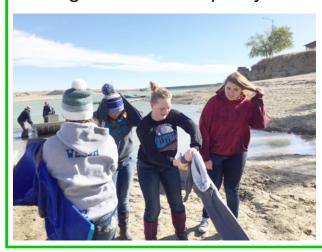
population estimate. Gill nets are set out overnight, then the students go

out with the Technicians in the boat to bring in the nets. The main job of the students at this time is to help get the fish out of the nets. That can get to be a pretty messy endeavor! In addition to the walleye, which make up the majority of the fish caught in the nets, there are a few Northern Pike, Perch, and Whitefish. This year, the students even caught a stonecat, a rarity in these waters. The fish are weighed and their lengths recorded.



The biologists collect the walleye and take them back to the lab. Tiny stones in the "ears" of these fish can be cut in half and the rings counted in order to age the specimens. They also test the flesh for Mercury. Since the walleye are predators, they sometimes eat fish containing the heavy metal. Mercury cannot be excreted, so it continually builds up. The biologists need to monitor the Mercury levels to keep the fishermen safe.

A fun time was had by all. The wind kicked the waves up pretty high, making the boat ride pretty wet for some of the students!







The Eighth Graders have been busy writing Star Stories—the origination of the Constellations, in Science. Here are a couple of stories that stood out. The author of the first story is Abby Machinist, while, Jasper Wendland wrote the second.

Long , long ago there was a beautiful girl. She looked about 16, and she had fiery red hair, and steel green eyes. Her name was Phoenix. Every man in her village wanted her hand in marriage, but she did not want to marry someone who only loved her for her beauty. She also was a very adventurous girl who always wanted to travel the world, but for women in this time, traveling the world was unheard of. She came from a very poor family, with only her mother because her father had died of an illness when she was only 8. Her mother often pressured her to accept a proposal, since they would be wealthy, but Phoenix refused. When Phoenix was just a baby, her mother claims that she found Phoenix on the doorstep of her house, and took her in.

One day, Phoenix heard a strange sound and went to investigate. She started walking into a very dense forest. The sound then grew to beautiful music, luring Phoenix farther into the forest. She then saw a man who was playing a small flute. He had jet black hair, and green eyes. She was very surprised there was someone this far into the forest. Phoenix commented on how the music was so amazing, so the man started to play for her. Phoenix listened until the shadows started to fall. She then headed home. The very next day she came back to the forest to see the man play the instrument. He indeed was there, and played even better than when she first saw him. Phoenix then came back every day for weeks, and weeks turned into months. They had become fast friends. She learned that his name was Thrio, which was Greek for beast. She knew he was nothing close to that, but she still called him that.

Phoenix's mother soon begun to grow curious about where Phoenix was disappearing to. One day, she followed Phoenix into the forest. She was astounded with what she saw! She had heard rumors about a man that lived in the forest, and that he was very dangerous. She immediately went to the town council in hope that they could get rid of this man. They all soon agreed that they should send someone to kill Thiro. They found their bravest hero, and sent him after Thiro. Phoenix however, was listening. She could hear what they said, and it angered her. She ran to warn Thiro to leave. She ran as fast as she could, until she came to Thrio. She begged him to leave, so he started to leave, but then the hero arrived. He was prepared to kill Thiro, and he swung his sword back. Right as he was about to make contact, Phoenix ran in front of the blade. The hero killed Phoenix instead, and he ran off. Thiro, knelt at Phoenix's side, and wept. He cried so much, that for the last few moments Phoenix talked to him, then she died. Thiro had magic, he just never showed it to anyone. He used his magic to make sure that Phoenix could still live, in a different form. He used his magic to turn her into a beautiful constellation in the sky. This is the story of the Phoenix constellation.

### Toto The Deer

A long time ago there was a deer named Toto he was 10 feet tall with dark horns and black fur and his eyes are brown. He had lived in the mountains alone for hundreds of years. He was free to do whatever he liked he would fight and kill animals with his horns. He always had grass to eat and meadows to graze on all the animals were afraid of him.

Then one day it all changed a king had moved into the same mountains. Toto had seen the king all his people there were about 100 people with the king. Toto did not like how the king and his people had invaded his place of peace. What made it worse is when the people started cutting down trees and building houses and mills. So now Toto was very angry and he decided to start killing the intruders.

The next night Toto attacked a farmer and his cows who lived a mile outside the developing kingdom. Toto had killed the farmer and several cows. No one was sure how the farmer was killed but some suspected a bear so the king ordered his men to hunt a bear. They had found a bear about 2 miles from the farm and had suspected it of the murder. The next night Toto had snuck into the town and had killed 10 people before he was seen.

The next morning the king sent his men looking for the deer who had killed his people. The king was furious and had set guards on each corner of the kingdom walls, but Toto was smart and had killed the guards on the south west corner and as he was heading for the town he was captured and on his way to the castle he broke free and jumped the wall. The next morning the king and 40 men on horse back set out to find him but Toto knew all of the valleys and mountains so he could easily get away.

That night Toto had managed to get into the castle and found where the king was sleeping as he approached the bed the king awoke and yelled and the guards had come running in. So Toto started running and killed 2 guards on his way he had managed to escape. The next morning the king had contacted his friend Zeus god of the sky. He told Zeus about Toto and Zeus said he would take care of the problem. That night they let Toto sneak in and as he approached the bed the king appeared behind him and Toto was worried something was wrong and he was right Zeus had appeared and Toto took off, but Zeus trapped him. The Zeus said you are going to be placed into the sky as punishment for your crimes. So Toto was lifted into the sky and placed there forever now when you look up and see the constellation Virgo you will see Toto the deer in his punishment.





### **Summer Fair Raises Funds**

On September 7, 2017 Liberty Medical Center hosted the Summer Fair meal in Chester with intent to donate proceeds to North Star Schools to be used toward playground equipment. \$1536.00 was raised, thanks to tremendous support

from community members along the Hi-Line. A check was presented at the Elementary by Matthew Waller and Lacee Lalum of Liberty Medical Center on September 26. Elementary students and staff gathered in the gym to recognize and thank Liberty Medical Center, and to present a thank you card for their generosity. Thank you LMC for thinking of us, and thank you to everyone who partook in the Summer Fair meal on September 7! We are looking forward to making improvements to our playground!



### Homecoming Highlights

Homecoming was held September 18th-23rd this year, and was once again a huge success. The theme, "Fast Food-Serving up a Victory" was apt, the knights were victorious over all our opponents during the week. The floats were bigger and better than ever with the Senior "Knight Castle" winning Most Creative, Best Use of Theme and Best Overall float. The Sophomore Float Tied for Most Creative and Funniest, while the 7th Grade tied with them for Funniest float. The Best Community Entry was definitely

the Commercial Club's Old Sorehead-Mr. Bob Christenson. The Senior Class came out on top during Spirit Week activities, also. Crowned royalty for the year were Devon Miller-Homecoming King and Peytan King as Homecoming Queen.

Homecoming games results:

#### Football Sept 23:

North Star 48 Augusta

#### Volleyball Sept 21:

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7th Grade-Yo Quero Taco Bell get's a good laugh.



King Devoi & Queen Peytan pose at halftime



Senior Float-Knight Castle serving actual burgers.



Sophomores-Get Ugly with a Rod's Drive-In inspired float



Heritage Tripper's serving it up at the Tailgate Party





### WHEN

### Thursday October 12, 2017 5 - 8pm

(Silent Auction ends at 7:30pm)

### WHERE

# **North Star Elementary Cafeteria** ford

### **FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

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Aubrey Welch Benefit/ Facebook.com

### **TO DONATE:**

Bear Paw Credit Union or

www.youcaring.com/ aubreywelchjennihuffman- 962889

### FREE WILL DONATION

A selection of soups, cornbread, cookies & refreshments provided

### SILENT AUCTION 5-7:30m

Origami Owl Jewelry
Norwex
Bobcat & Griz Baskets
Noonday Jewelry
Beaver Creek Golf Course
Gift Certificate
Thirty-One Tote
Master Sports Gift Cert.
Trades of Hope Jewelry
Hobby Lobby Gift Cert.
Rodan & Fields Package
Metal Artwork
Plus

## **BENEFITING Aubrey Welch**

North Star high schooler Aubrey Welch recently was diagnosed with super ventricular tachycardia (SVT), which has been causing episodes during which her heart beats upward of 200 beats per premature minute, and ventricular contraction (PVC). The conditions have sidelined the active teen from physical activity, including sports. She must travel with her family to Seattle in the coming weeks for a heart ablation to correct the SVT and further monitoring of the PVC. Proceeds from the benefit will help offset medical and travel expenses, as well as lost income for the family.

# North Star Schools, Along With Two Other Schools, Take the Challenge and Put Together A Donation For Hurricane Victims



It has been a month since hurricane Harvey made landfall and devastated Texas. Harvey wreaked havoc, destroying everything in its path and left so many with nothing. Being in Montana, we still felt the impact and our nature is to want to help. Montana Tech had a story in the news challenging all schools in Montana to donate any apparel they could spare and send it to the hurricane victims. After seeing the news clip Mr. Brian Campbell, A.D. at North Star, spearheaded this challenge. He emailed the schools that participated in the North Star volleyball showcase and asked them to bring apparel from their school as well. When it was all said and done, two large boxes, with hats, adult and children sizes and different styles of clothing, were packaged up and sent to the hurricane victims. These donations came from North Star Schools, Dutton Brady and Fort Benton. This out pouring of generosity is one more reason why we are proud to be a part of small communities who have such a caring mindset. #Texas Strong!!



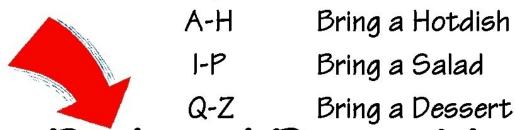
Potluck @ 6:00 / Dance @ 8:00

Music by Eric Sundgren



Bring the <u>whole</u> family! Costumes are optional.

Want to Help? If your last name begins with:



Rudyard Depot Museum



Activity Season Passes for the 2017-18 school year are now on sale.

Prices: Family \$250.00, Adult \$125.00, Student \$25.00 K-12,
Senior Citizen 65 and older admitted free
Preschool age children free

All students in grades 5-12 will be required to purchase an activity pass if they are participating in football, volleyball, basketball, track. Participants will not be able to play in any games until this fee is paid. Students whose families purchase a family pass will not be required to purchase a student pass.

This covers all North Star Athletic REGULAR season competitions, EXCLUDES but not limited to the following: Volleyball Showcases Tournament, All Tournament Games- High School and Jr. High, High School Football Playoff Games. Family Season Passes DO NOT INCLUDE COLLEGE AGE CHILDREN.

Anyone caught abusing this policy will lose Season Pass admittance and money will be non-refundable.

### **GYM SHOES NEEDED**

Gym shoes needed, small sizes such as childs 11, 12, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. They need not be new, just clean.

# Roll Up Your Sleeves... BE FIGHTER

### Hi-Line Influenza Clinic

### Tuesday October 10th, 2017

Gildford Gymnasium 9:00am -Noon Rudyard Gymnasium 1:30pm - 4:00pm

> For all persons 6 months and older Bring your insurance card

Cost: Adults -\$25.00
Children up through 18 - \$20.00
High-Dose for 65 and older - \$50.00
\*\*No FluMist\*\*



### **Knight in Need**



North Star School has a "Knight in Need" program this year. It is similar to "My Student in Need" that you may have heard about or read about in the local papers. If your student has a need for school supplies, school clothing/shoes, or other materials for school, please send the information via email to Carol Tempel at ctempel@nsschools.org or call her at 355-4481 or text to 390-

2701. Please provide, size, color, item and any other information. School staff members may also identify a need and provide the information to Mrs. Tempel. All information is strictly confidential. If the need is approved, students will receive the item discreetly and in a confidential manner. A huge thank you to an anonymous community member for helping to provide school supplies for our student body.



### **Attention all you Magazine Junkies!**

It's that time of year again...

Magazine and greeting card sales supporting the Heritage Trip are happening September 25th through October 5, so don't be surprised when a North Star Junior or Senior stops at your door or calls. If you are not contacted please call Mrs. Kay Jorgenson at the school, 355-4481, Ext. 248 or e-mail kjorgenson@nsschools.org for more information on products and pricing.



#### North Star Foundation Logo Design Competition

Want to express your creative side? The North Star Foundation invites students and the community to design a logo and letterhead for them. A \$100 cash prize will be awarded! Pertinent information to include is the following: The North Star Foundation is a 501(c) (3) non-profit corporation with a mission of "Serving to improve, enhance and support the educational opportunities of students in the North Star School communities of Kremlin. Gildford, Hingham and Rudyard". Their address is: PO Box 14, Rudyard, MT 59540. Entries will be accepted until November 30th, 2017. For more information, contact Katie Sattoriva, Sharon Spicher, Margie Chinadle or Carol Tempel.



### **North Star Booster Club**

### **Dues**

\$25.00 per family \$50.00 business membership Funds support school activities K-12

Send checks to either school in care of North Star Booster Club. Thank you for your support.

### **Upcoming Events:**

#### October:

10th-Flu Clinic-Elem (am) JH/HS (pm) 18th-20th-1:30 Dismissal Wed./MEA Conventions

20th-All State Band/Choir in Bozeman

26th-End of First Quarter 26th-28th-District VB Tourney at CJI

28th-1st Round FB Playoffs

29th-Community Halloween Party-2-4p

#### November:

2-4th-Div. VB Tourney in Chinook
4th-FB Quarterfinals
5th-Daylight Savings Time
9-11th-State Volleyball Tourney in Bozeman
14th-District FCCLA Meeting-Havre
16th-HS BB practice begins
27-28th--Honor Band & Choir

#### December:

7th-Mid-Quarter 14th-Elem. Winter Concert 6:30p/CTSO auction 19th-HS/JH Winter Concert-7p/CTSO Auction 22nd— Early Out 1:30p for Holiday Break 23-Jan. 2nd-Holiday Break

#### January:

3rd—School in Session again 15th-Regional BPA in Great Falls 20th-Speech & Drama Divisionals-Choteau 26-27th-State S&D Meet-Huntley Project

