

Weekly News

January 7, 2022

Calendar Items

Wednesday, January 12 - Play rehearsals in the commons (see info below)

Thursday, January 13 - Play rehearsals in the commons

Thursday, January 13 - Spelling Bee in the library 3 - 5 p.m.

Announcements

Important Info About First Semester Grades

Semester grades reports will be published in ParentVUE on January 12th at 3:00 p.m.. If you are unable to access semester/quarter grades for your student, please contact Kelly Noland, ABMS registrar, at knoland@bluevalleyk12.org

Play Information

PLEASE VISIT THE PLAY WEBSITE AT <https://tinyurl.com/abmsspringplay>.

The ABMS Spring Play has officially been announced at school! This year, we will proudly present Ms. Kim's Class and the Book Reports of Destiny, by Dean O'Carroll! This goofy comedy is a brand new play that has yet to be published! I've been in contact with the playwright, who is excited for us to produce it for the first time, and has plans to zoom with the cast.

The play tells the story of Ms. Kim and her elementary school classroom, who is presenting their book reports. Four children give their reports, and as they describe their stories, actors bring the story to life for the rest of the class. Each book is a parody of a popular YA Literature genre. We have *Spy Zoo*, a take on goofy spy adventures that get way too out of hand, *Jubie K. Ruby*, a direct parody of Junie B. Jones, *The Grimm Tales of Wunzaopon*, a parody of twisted fairytales, and *Bathmat Man: The Damp Knight*, a reference to Batman and parody of superhero stories.

- Please see the play website for signup forms, the entire script, and additional info. Please check the website periodically to see updates, ticketing information, etc. The website can be found at: <https://tinyurl.com/abmssspringplay>.
- Auditions for the play will be held on **Wednesday, January 12th**, and continue on **Thursday, January 13th**. Students can sign up on the callboard right outside of my classroom (Room 171). Students must find and prepare their own monologue to present to the directors. Each student will only sign up for a 2 minute time slot.
- The cast list will be posted on the night of Friday, January 14th. Rehearsals will begin on **Tuesday, January 18th** and will be held daily afterschool from 3-4. As shows get closer we will go to 4:30, and then 5:00. A more detailed rehearsal calendar will be available once rehearsals start.
- Performances will be on **Thursday and Friday, March 24th and 25th**.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Garcia at:

jmgarcia02@bluevalleyk12.org

Can't wait to get started!

PTO Spirit Wear Orders

If you are missing spirit wear items/PE shirts or have problems with your order, please contact The Den directly at bvswden@gmail.com and copy abmsspiritwear@gmail.com. Any previous calls to ABMS about spirit wear issues have already been forwarded to The Den.

Math Support for All Students

If your student is **in need of some extra time and support outside of class time** from a math teacher, **our math team is available!** Please see the days/times below for math lab. Students can see any teacher for assistance. Students should see their grade level teachers during the math lab time to ask questions, get clarification, make up work/tests, or have a teacher help them through an assignment/project. Help will be available from now until May.

6th grade

Thursdays 3:00-4:00 – Room 304

7th grade

Mondays 3:00 -4:00 - Room 206

Thursdays 3:00-4:00 - Room 212

8th grade

Tuesdays 7:00-7:30 a.m. – Room 105

Tuesdays 3:00-4:00 p.m. – Room 112
Wednesdays 7:00-7:30 a.m. – Room 105
Thursdays 7:00-7:30 a.m. – Room 105
Thursdays 3:00-4:00 p.m. – Room 112
Fridays 3:00-4:00 p.m. – Room 113

Winter Cheerleading

Any 7th or 8th grade student who is interested in cheering for the boys' basketball winter season can plan to attend our first Cheer Meeting on **Monday, January 10th from 3:00 – 4:00 in the 6th grade pod**. If you have not already filled out the Athletic Packet this school year, please complete the following [Athletic Packet](#) and turn it in to the Aubry Bend Office before the cheer season begins. Cheer will have practice on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Jan. 11-13 after school from 3:00-4:00 pm in the 6th grade pod. We will share all the details and guidelines with students on Monday during the informational meeting. We look forward to Winter Cheer!

Math Counts

Math Counts will meet on Monday, January 10th from 3:00-4:00 pm in Mrs. Redlin's room (313). This meeting will be for the 12 qualifying contestants only. Emails announcing the contestants were sent via Canvas prior to winter break. We will be discussing the Chapter Competition in detail and preparing your student portals to take the test in February.

PTO News

WOLVERINE ACTIVITY NIGHT

Mark your calendars for Wolverine Night 1/28/2022 from 7-9pm.
More information coming soon via email and social media.

PTO MEETINGS

Would you like to learn more about PTO and get involved?
Currently, our meetings are via zoom and the dates are as follows:

Friday, January 21, 2022 9:00am
Friday, February 25, 2002 9:00am
Friday, March 25, 2022 9:00am
Friday, April 15, 2022 9:00am
Friday, May 20, 2022 9:00am



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6th Grade News

ELA

ELA is excited to welcome students back this week. We kicked off the week by reviewing Quarter 3 Class Notes, a Library visit, and dedicated reading time. This quarter will focus on Argumentative Writing, and the essential question, "How can diverse perspectives help our collective understanding?"

Math

Math has started a new unit this week over dividing fractions. We are diving into the meaning behind the algorithm by first exploring fractions through geometric shapes and Cuisenaire rods. This exploration will continue into next week.

Social Studies

This week we continued our Greece unit that we started before winter break. We focused on Greek religion. Ask your child what they did for their Greek god/goddess project this week. Next week we will be looking at Greek innovations and how they impact us today.

Science

Students will learn about the layers of the Earth. Quiz late next week, check your teacher's Canvas page for details.

7th Grade News

ELA

Welcome back to school! We hope everyone had a relaxing Winter Break. Students will be starting an argumentative writing unit and picking a topic to discuss in a future essay.

8th Grade News

Algebra 1

Starting up our systems of equations unit. We will begin with finding solutions through graphing.

Math 8

Angles formed by a transversal through parallel lines, complementary, supplementary, and vertically opposite angle calculations.

Social Studies

Reading and evaluating the Dred Scott Supreme Court case and its impact on dividing the nation leading into the Civil War. We will discuss other instances that were creating the divide between Northern and Southern states.

ELA

Students will begin reading Night by Ellie Wiesel and investigate World War 2 and causes of the Holocaust.

Moss Science

Minimizing forces egg drop project. Bring materials!

Farris and Amihere Science

Synthetic materials Superhero project.

From the Desk of Mrs. Tate

It has been a COLD, but wonderful start to our second semester! The kids came back excited to see their friends and teachers...I mean excited to LEARN! Ha ha! In all seriousness, our kids continue to amaze me in their sincere interest in BOTH learning and friendships. They got right back to work in class, and some even admitted that they kind of missed school over winter break. Hooray!

As you may know, we are experiencing some absences of both students and staff from school, and that always creates a little nervousness. Here are some tips to calm any concerns you may have:

- Although we have some unfilled substitute positions from day to day, our staff is a true team, and they jump in to cover their colleagues classes so that learning continues in every classroom every day. Mr. Colburn and I even got in the act today!
- Sick days are sick days for kids. Whether they test positive for Covid or have the flu, please keep them home from school so they can heal and get better. Our number one goal is always the health and well-being of our kids/staff, so keeping kids home until they are better is a must.
- While kids are at home, please do not worry about getting behind at school. Our teachers are working with ALL kids to make sure they have what they need. Here are the **procedures for all students who are absent for any reason:**

o Get better. Rest. Take care of yourself and heal.

o If you feel like it, check Canvas for any assignments that are posted that you can complete. If you don't feel like it, rest.

o There is **no expectation** for you to have everything done before you return to school. Get better. Rest.

o When you return to school, your teachers will work with you to determine what needs to be made up and what does not. They will determine the essential tasks that need to be completed so you can get caught up as quickly as possible.

Thank you for **partnering** with us to make this semester amazing for all kids. As long as we're working **together**, we will be successful!

Have a wonderful weekend. Stay warm!

Sincerely,
Diana Tate, Principal



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