

# Weekly News

October 8, 2021

## Calendar Items

Monday, October 11 - 7/8 Choir Concert 7p.m. @ BVSW

Tuesday, October 12 - 7/8 Band Concert 7p.m.

Thursday, October 14 - BVSW Homecoming Parade

Thursday, October 14 - Football games

Friday, October 15 - NO SCHOOL - End of 1st Quarter

**\*\*\*Athletic calendars are located at the end of this document\*\*\***

## Announcements

### Math Counts

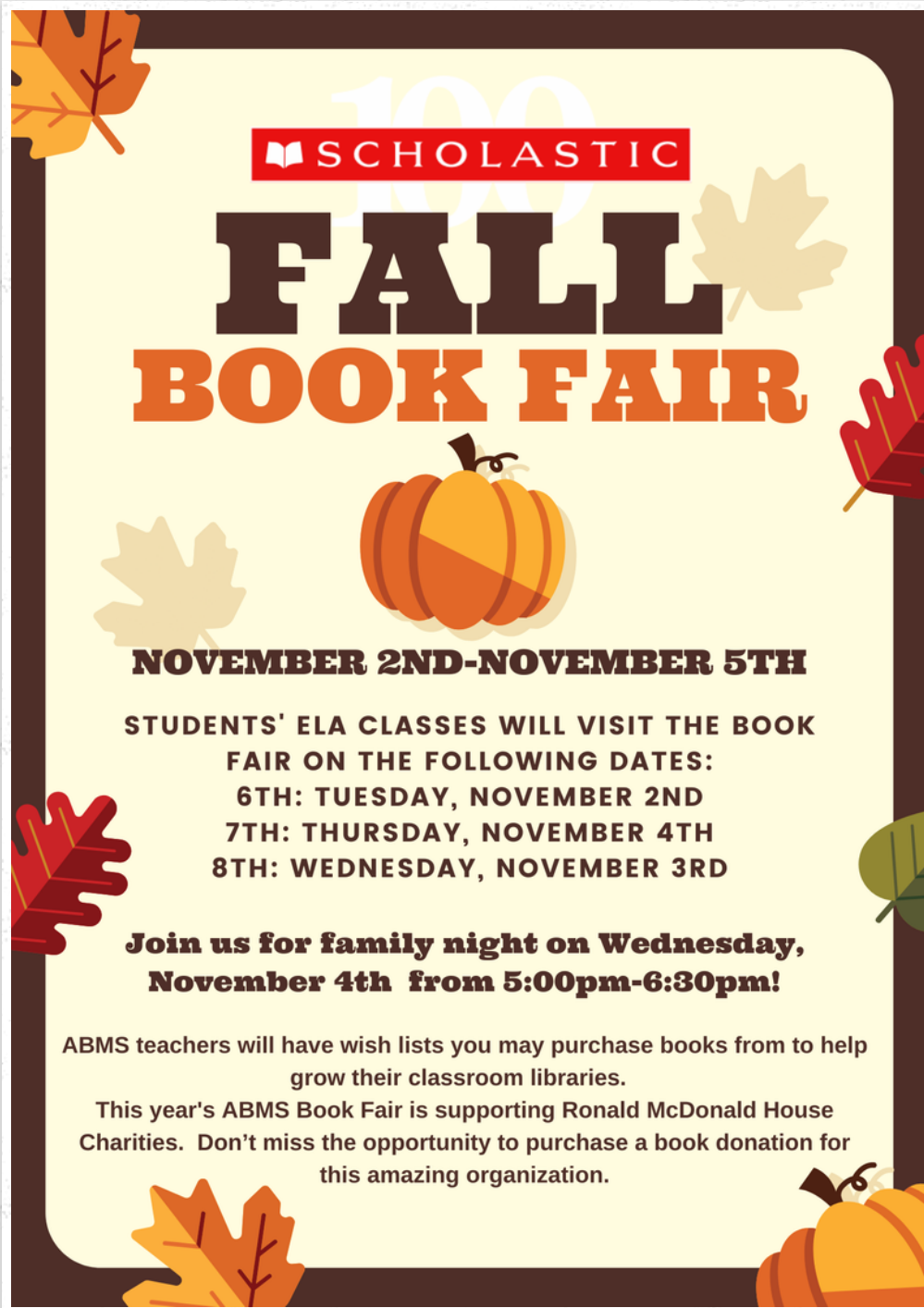
Math Counts will meet next Tuesday afternoon from 3:00 - 4:00 pm in Mrs. Redlin's room on 3rd floor (313). Please plan to have a ride pick you up at 4:00 pm.

### BVSW Homecoming Week

Next week is BVSW Homecoming Week! As part of our Five Schools, One Family efforts, ABMS was invited to attend the BVSW Homecoming Parade on Thursday, October 14. At

approximately 10:30, we will dismiss our students by grade level to line up along the parade route. The parade will run from our south parking lot to the BSW parking lot. It will not run along any public street, only school grounds. Students will go to the parade route with their 4th hour teacher and line up with their class. After the parade, all students and teacher will return to the building to resume their school day. We're excited for the opportunity to build spirit and support our community.

## **SAVE THE DATES...The Book Fair is Coming!**

A promotional poster for the Scholastic 100 Fall Book Fair. The poster features a yellow background with a dark brown border. At the top, the number '100' is written in a large, light font. Below it, the word 'SCHOLASTIC' is written in white on a red rectangular background. The main title 'FALL BOOK FAIR' is written in large, bold, orange and brown letters. In the center, there is a large orange pumpkin. Below the pumpkin, the dates 'NOVEMBER 2ND-NOVEMBER 5TH' are written in bold black text. Further down, the text 'STUDENTS' ELA CLASSES WILL VISIT THE BOOK FAIR ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:' is followed by a list of dates: '6TH: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND', '7TH: THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH', and '8TH: WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD'. Below this, it says 'Join us for family night on Wednesday, November 4th from 5:00pm-6:30pm!'. At the bottom, there are two paragraphs of text: 'ABMS teachers will have wish lists you may purchase books from to help grow their classroom libraries.' and 'This year's ABMS Book Fair is supporting Ronald McDonald House Charities. Don't miss the opportunity to purchase a book donation for this amazing organization.' The poster is decorated with various autumn leaves and pumpkins.

Thank you for supporting the ABMS Fall Book Fair! Please consider volunteering to help with the book fair and sign up for at least one of these committees or shifts during the event. We

## Musical

**CAST AND CREW:** Tickets will go on sale on **October 18**. There will be an email with a link for our online ticketing system. Each cast or crew member is allotted 4 tickets for family members to see the show. Please respect that limit so all students have their families present.

- AFTER families have had a chance to purchase tickets, we will open the purchases up for families needing more than 4 tickets. **PLEASE respect the initial limit for 4 per cast and crew member.**
- Shows will be at 7pm on November 3, 4, and 5.
- \*Cast and crew do not need a ticket. Crew may attend an evening performance and be seated in a crew section, so please do not purchase a ticket for them.

**CAST:** A new rehearsal calendar was distributed on Friday at rehearsal. It is also found on canvas and linked here:

**CREW:** Mark you calendars! All Crew should attend rehearsal afterschool on Monday, OCTOBER 18 for a crew photo and to learn the bows portion of the show. All crew are invited to bow at the end of the show, but they must come to the October 18th rehearsal to get a bow group assigned to them. We will practice a few times that day.

**CREW:** Please check the canvas page and click on "CREW CLICK HERE" to see the calendars for when you should attend rehearsals.



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## SCIENCE OLYMPIAD



LOVE SCIENCE?  
LOVE LEARNING?  
DON'T WAIT...  
JOIN TEAM  
ABMS!

STUDENTS: For more information,  
attend meeting -

- Tuesday, 10/12/2021
- 3:15 - 4:00 p.m.
- Mr. Gooden's room - 307



The Nation's Most Exciting  
Science Competition

## **SCIENCE OLYMPIAD**

Minimum Requirements:  
AMBS Student  
Perseverance, Determination,  
Dedication, Hard Work,  
Integrity, Enthusiasm, & Self  
Motivation

## **Student Council is coming!**

Students were introduced to student council opportunities during FLEX classes Thursday and Friday. The students were instructed to fill out the google form through this link: [Student Council Application](#)

The attached flyer will give parents details about meeting time and location.



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## **Student Services Snapshot**

In September we started our monthly counseling lessons in flex. We also joined ELA classes in 6th and 8th grades to provide lessons related to the stories students were reading.

### 6th Flex lesson – Rumors

We discussed how rumors get started and the impact they can have on students. We also discussed how individual students can help prevent rumors from spreading.

We supported ELA readings by talking with classes about perspective. We used optical illusions to talk about how we see things differently and how it is sometimes difficult to see another perspective. ELA teachers tied this to the perspective of different characters in their short story and how those perspectives impacted the characters' actions.

### 7th Flex lesson – Values

During flex we asked students to think about what is important to them and what they value. We discussed how values are personal and may differ from person to person and may also vary throughout our lives. For example, middle and high school students often value having lots of friends. Through discussion many students said that they could see having a few really good friends being more important as they get older. The discussion also included why knowing what we value is important. As we go through life and make decisions, staying true to what is important to us typically guides us in the correct direction. We encouraged students to visit at home about the things their families value and how those values have helped family members make decisions.

#### 8th Flex lesson - Values

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We supported ELA classes as they read *The Outsiders*. The discussion centered on grief and the losses various characters experienced and how each dealt with the grief from their loss.

## PTO News

**JOIN US TONIGHT for the ABMS NIGHT at the BVSW football game located at our new field located at 163rd and Antioch. Don't forget, it's a PINK out! See the flyers for more information and don't forget the District Policy that students need to come with and sit with an adult! Come on out and support our Boys of Fall!!**

**Our next ABMS Football game is Thursday Oct. 14 @ 3 pm, AT ABMS We need concessions volunteers! Please sign up:**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090c44abac23aafc1-abms4>



Aubry Bend Middle School PTO

Did you know that ABMS PTO relies on PTO membership and Invest donations to fund the majority of their activities throughout the year? Funds from these two sources replace "fun runs" and door to door sales which other schools rely on to fund their school activities.

Proceeds raised through the PTO membership and Invest donations get used to to **grant college scholarships** to **ABMS alumni**, hold **Wolverine Activity Nights** for our **ABMS students**,

host **Family Fun night** events for our **families**, host **appreciation events** for our **teachers and staff**, celebrate **8th grade graduation**, fund **special classroom needs** for our **teachers**, and so much more!!

Please click on the QR code link above to purchase your **PTO membership** and to **donate to Invest**. In addition, all PTO members will receive a **ABMS directory** and **window decal** to promote their ABMS school pride! **Thank you in advance for your support of ABMS!**

**WE ARE NOW ON INSTAGRAM! CHECK US OUT AT [abmspto](https://www.instagram.com/abmspto)**. Be sure to **LIKE** our page on **FACEBOOK ([ABMS PTO](https://www.facebook.com/ABMSPTO))** and **FOLLOW us on TWITTER ( [@AbmsPto](https://twitter.com/AbmsPto) )**.



ABMS PTO Membership Form 2021-2022.pdf

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## 8th Grade Families: It's Pink Out Night & It's Time to Tailgate!

Join us Friday, October 8th @ 5:30p to celebrate the  
Blue Valley Southwest—TIMBERWOLVES!  
Timberwolves vs. St. James Academy @ 7pm  
BV District Complex-Antioch

Look for the "FEEDER SCHOOL" flag in the parking lot!

Bring your chair, games, food, and beverages  
or check out the Concessions during the  
game. Wear your **PINK OUT** gear!

Stop by the **ABMS PTO** Table before the game  
for fun giveaways for our 8th grade students!



**\*\*\*Reminder District Policy\*\*\***  
Students must enter and sit with parents at the game.



## 6th Grade News

### ELA:

Students are putting together all the skills we learned this quarter by writing their own personal narrative story about a conflict they have experienced in their past. We read and analyzed mentor texts to model the process in class. Students brainstormed their topic, completed a pre-writing graphic organizer, and began writing the personal narrative. The stories will include plot structure, conflict, characterization, point of view, and theme. Ask your student what conflict topic they picked to write about. The writing process, along with proofing, editing, and revising will continue next week as we finish the quarter strong in ELA!

### Math:

Math classes started unit two this week. We learned about integers and used inequality signs to make comparisons between integers. Next week, we will practice graphing on a four-quadrant grid.

### Science:

We will explore the Universe, rotation and revolution next week. Students will create models to help them learn the concepts.

### Social Studies:

This week we continued our Mesopotamia Empires simulation. We traded resources, made ziggurats, and faced some battles. This next week is the end of our simulation. Ask your child how their team is doing. Do they think they are going to win? What could they do to help their team finish off strong? The Empire task will be due Oct. 11.

## 7th Grade News

## **Can you believe it's already October?! The end of first quarter is next week!**

### **ELA:**

The 7th grade has started reading the novel "The Watsons Go to Birmingham-1963" this week. We will continue reading this novel until the end of the quarter (wow, so close to the end!)

### **Integrated Math:**

Next week we are starting Unit 2. Unit 2 is an intro to expressions, equations, and inequalities. We will be doing activities that involved identifying patterns and relating those changes to equations and expressions.

### **Advanced Math:**

Do you know what  $0.327272727\dots$  is as a fraction? Your student should be able to figure it out! We spent the week diving into classification of numbers and how to prove whether a decimal is rational or irrational! We'll have a short Assessment over classifying real numbers at the beginning of next week and then start introducing our Expressions, Equations and Inequalities unit by observing and creating patterns.

### **Science:**

Due to the labs and projects we're doing, and needing to share equipment, the Science team is in slightly different places this week, but your student has, or will, participate in some really cool stuff this week or next. Part of the activity rotation is looking at pond water under the microscope and seeing all of the little microorganisms that live in the untreated water. They learn pretty quickly why you don't want to drink lake water when swimming! Another activity we're doing is brainstorming and swabbing what the kids think is the cleanest and dirtiest locations in the school to grow bacteria cultures on agar (bathrooms off limits). It's a Battle of the Bacteria between teams! We'll check the progress of the agar plates in a week and then again at the two week mark to see who had the cleanest and/or most diverse growth of bacteria!

### **Social Studies:**

We assessed over the five themes of geography this week! Some classes found evidence of the five themes in current news articles while others planned where to survive a zombie apocalypse by evaluating their survival location options through the themes. All in all, very pleased with our students and their hard work to showcase evidence of their learning! Next we move on to map features and skills and then physical geography. How do landforms affect climate, and how does climate affect where people choose to live?

### **Choir:**

Our first concert performance is Monday, October 11. Please arrive in uniform at SouthWest high school at the main entrance or the Performing Arts Center entrance and go the Performing Arts Center at 6:00pm. We will take group pictures for yearbook and prepare for our performance. The performance begins at 7:00pm. All attendees must wear masks.

**8th Grade News**



**ELA:**

This week 8th Graders are doing a Mini-Research Choice Board Project where they will choose a topic to research that had an impact on the world as we know it in the 1960s. We are making connections between the events in that decade and the characters from *The Outsiders*. 8th Graders were encouraged to talk to the adults in their life about what they might know/remember from the 1960s.

**Farris Science:**

Complete the Save the Penguins' Project. Every day will be a work day.

**Moss Science:**

Penguin Project testing, modifying, and retesting.

**Math 8:**

We will be simplifying and evaluating multi-step inequalities including situations that have the variable on both sides.

**Algebra 1:**

Will be moving into solving more complex equations. Including situations involving absolute value and square roots.

**Social Studies:**

Student's speeches as delegates are due Sunday 10/10 at midnight. Most students will be recording these speeches at home, taking the role of a Founding Father and explaining the Constitution to their "home states."

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## From the Desk of Mrs. Tate

Next week is the last week of first quarter, and as usual, there are all kinds of activities planned around the school. Sixth grade students who are enrolled in quarter-long electives will have their last week in that class and move to another elective class on October 18. Seventh and eighth grade electives are all semester or year-long electives, so although they may wrap up a unit of study, their class schedules will remain the same.

Most of our fall athletics have or will wrap up this week. We're so proud of all our student athletes for their hard work and dedication in their seasons. We loved watching you and cheering for you as you gave it your all!

The musical cast and crew only have a few weeks before their performances, and they have been hard at work preparing an amazing show for us all. We're excited to see the fruits of their efforts, too!

This coming week is the BVSW Homecoming Week, and we're honored to be able to participate in a small, but fun way. Thursday morning, we'll be able to attend the first-ever BVSW Homecoming Parade! Details for the morning are in an article above, but the gist is that we'll escort our kids out to the south driveway, watch the parade, and return to class without ever leaving school grounds! How cool is that?! Please feel free to attend any of the community events planned by the high school for this fun week. Many of the events are highlighted in our PTO section of this newsletter.

Thank you for your support of ABMS and our entire community!

Sincerely,  
Diana Tate, Principal



## Aubry Bend Middle School

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**ABMS 8TH GRADE TAILGATE NIGHT**

STOP BY THE ABMS PTO TABLE  
FUN GIVEAWAYS & FREE POPCORN

Blue Valley West High School

**TAILGATE TOWN**

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8**  
**5:30PM @ THE NEW STADIUM (ANTDAC)**

Bring your chair, games, food and beverages and let's celebrate the TIMBERWOLVES!

**T-WOLVES VS. ST. JAMES ACADEMY @ 7PM**

**DRESS-UP THEME: PINK OUT**

Feeder Schools: Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors, Seniors

Football, Cheer & Glitter Girl Tailgates

Overflow & Opponent Spectator Parking

W 163rd St

# BVSW Homecoming Bonfire!

We're Back & Better SW

Date: Wednesday, Oct. 13th

Event @ 5:30pm, Pep Rally and Fire around 7pm



Games! Food Trucks!

Raffle Prizes! Trunk or Treat!

Come hangout for a great time and get ready  
for the HOCO football game Thursday, Oct. 14th!



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# SOUTHWEST VOLLEYBALL



**FREE!!**

SLICE OF PIZZA FOR ANY  
BVSW OR FEEDER SCHOOL  
STUDENT WHO WEARS BVSW  
OR FEEDER SCHOOL  
SPIRITWEAR TO THE GAME!

**BOTH VARSITY AND JV PLAYING!**

**ONLY 3 HOME GAMES!**

**THIS TUESDAY, 9 28**

5PM VS. ST. JAMES ACADEMY  
7PM VS. BLUE VALLEY HIGH  
FEEDER SCHOOL NIGHT

**TUESDAY, 10 12**

*Senior Night!*

6PM VS. SHAWNEE MISSION SOUTH  
BVSW EVENT OF THE WEEK!!  
THEME: PINK OUT!

**WEDNESDAY, 10 13**

6PM VS. GARDNER-EDGERTON



**LET'S**

**BLEED**

**GREEN!!**