

Bookcliff Middle School



February 2017

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Enjoy this edition of the Bookcliff newsletter that has been brought to you by the 8th grade Yearbook class!

Important Dates

Band Solo and Ensemble

February 10 and 11, 2017
@ Grand Mesa Middle School

Teacher In-Service Day

February 17, 2017

President's Day

February 20, 2017

High School Fair for 8th Graders

February 22, 2017 2:00
@ BMS Cafeteria

Parent/ Teacher Conferences- Invitation Only

February 22, 2017
3:30-7:30 PM
@ BMS

Orchestra and Choir Solo and Ensemble

February 24 and 25, 2017
@ Grand Mesa Middle School

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Bookcliff Students of the Month

January

6th -Alize Galindo

6th - Mariana Rubalcava

7th - Sydni King

7th - Savannah Strausbaugh

8th - Natalie Huerta

8th - Jack Wade

DIA 8th - Leslie Martinez

Band - Natalie Davis

Computers - Mya Marquez

Boys P.E. - Jose Vargas

Choir - Nallely Fuentes

ESL - Eva Narvaez

Sutton - Strait Haskin



Solo and Ensemble

Written by: Abigail F., M.E. F., and Jordynn S.

Solo and Ensemble is the chance where your student can perform a musical solo or ensemble (a group up to eight people). The students will get rated and scored on their performance. The scores will be posted in the cafeteria at GMMS about 10 minutes after the performance. The Orchestra & Choir dates are Friday, February 24th and Saturday the 25th; the Band dates are February 10th and 11th. The entry fee is \$6.00 per person for each ensemble. For choir and instrumental solos you will need an extra \$10.00 for an accompanist. The performance time slots are 6 minutes; with warm-up time and performance it will be about a 30 minute commitment. The festival will be held at Grand Mesa Middle School. Students will be given a specific time to perform in front of a judge(s). Solo and Ensemble is coming soon, so make sure your student is practicing at home!

Wrestling

Written by: Felina M, Nicole L.

Wrestling starts February 6th and practices will be every day from 2:45-4:30. Wrestling is open to 6th, 7th and 8th grade students. However, 6th grade students cannot compete in any events. Wrestling is open to both boys and girls. Wrestling can develop basic athletic skills, also it brings kids together and builds a mutual trust and friendship among people who spend a lot of time together.

High School Fair

Written by: Lindsay G. and Havanna T.

If you are in 8th grade and having trouble deciding which high school to go to we have good news for you. On February 22nd we will have the 3rd annual BMS High School Fair. The high school fair is a time where high schools in the Grand Valley are all invited to come together to share with students their programs and experiences. 8th graders will have an adjusted schedule to drop in at the event. Like the 6th grade schedule, elective time will be at the end of the day. All 8th graders will meet at this time to attend the event. Some extra presentations will be held after school.

The following is information about different schools and their programs. Central High School will be sharing information about the STEM program and the JROTC. The Fruita 8/9 and Fruita Monument High School Agriculture and Future Farmers of America curriculum will be participating in our high school display. Information about the RISE course will be given by Grand Junction High School. Palisade High School will share with you the IB program. More than just these schools/programs will be attending our BMS fair. For more information see Ms. Van Ert in the counselor's office.

Costa Rica

Written by: Anthony M. and Jarod G.

The annual Costa Rica trip that takes place every two years has been delayed and is facing many difficulties that it has not had in the past. When we asked Mr. Whalin why the trip is being delayed he said "I've delayed the trip in hopes that I can get a few more kids to sign up for the trip." This is because of the necessary amount of people who need to go on the trip. A great number to take on this trip is 12 - 15 students. The least amount I like to take is 5." Due to these delays this trip has been rescheduled for June 18th through June 25th of 2018. You may be asking why this trip is a great opportunity or why you should go on it, well here is an answer! This trip is an incredible opportunity to see another culture and do many activities outdoors. We do a zip line through the rain forest, go on a horseback ride, kayak on a huge lake, visit several national parks, and have some beach time. I have had many kids tell me this was the greatest trip they have ever been on. Many have used their experiences to help complete assignments in high school. It is really good for kids to see how people in another country live and learn to be very thankful for all that they have at home. This trip will allow you to learn new skills, get out of the classroom and learn interactively, be able to witness a new culture, and have an exciting time. It sounds like a trip of a lifetime that every student should try and sign up for. The nice thing about the delay is that it gives students more time to work to save up the money to take the trip. Please see the flyer with more details in the newsletter.



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- › Caribbean Conservation Cooperation Museum visit

Day 3 Tortuguero

- › Canal tour
- › Tortuguero National Park visit

Day 4 Tortuguero--Arenal

- › Travel to Arenal
- › Hot springs visit

Day 5 Arenal--Monteverde

- › Lake Arenal kayaking tour
- › Travel to Monteverde
- › Optional - horseback ride \$45

Day 6 Monteverde Landmarks

- › Santa Elena Biological Reserve visit
- › Plant your own tree
- › Canopy tour

Day 7 Monteverde--San José

- › Butterfly garden & ecological farm visit
- › Travel to San José

Day 8 End Tour



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Valentines for the Troops

Written by: Jazzy and Eva

Valentine's Day is coming up and it's the time of year to spread love and appreciation! It is also time to thank some of the heroes of America. Valentines for troops is coming up and we got you covered for what's ahead of you! The purpose of valentines for troops is to show our appreciation and gratefulness for the service our armed forces provide to ensure our freedom. Our valentines for troops is a nice way to leave a note of appreciation while also gathering the necessary supplies they need while being deployed. This will begin in mid-January and wrap up before the end of February. OI (Operation Interdependence) will come to help stuff supply bags and get packages ready for delivery. Thank you for your support in showing our troops that we at home are thinking about them!

For our Troops

January 23 Kickoff

February 13th Write Cards

February 24th Last Day to Bring Items

February 27th Stu-CO will Pack Care Packages

Every Morning Meeting Classroom has a recyclable grocery bag to fill with items from the following list:



WISH LIST FOR PRODUCTS FOR Operation Interdependence®

1. Lens cleaner
2. White socks
3. Beef Jerky
4. Hand Sanitizer both small bottles and wipes
5. Small pkg. of dried fruit
6. Lotion (travel size)
7. Powder (travel size like Gold Bond)
8. Kleenex (travel size)
9. Eyedrops
10. Drink mixes, i.e. Kool-Aid, Crystal Light pouches, Gatorade, Tea sticks
11. Condiments, i.e. salt, pepper, sugar, hot sauce, mayo, mustard, and catsup
12. Protein Bars
13. Candy-nothing twist wrapped
14. Single packs of gum
15. Chapstick factory sealed
16. Crest toothpaste, travel size
17. Toothbrushes, single size
18. Band-aids, travel size
19. Puzzles and comics from newspapers
20. Small note pads, pens unsharpened pencils
21. Snack bags (for the condiments)
22. Mouthwash
23. Neck coolers (for filler)

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New Weights in P.E.

Written by: Jarod G.

If you are in gym class, you may notice a new addition in your activities. With the help of Mr. Retallack, our gym now has wooden weights. These weights are very light and fit on a bar so that they can be used for practicing weightlifting. They will be used to practice form in squatting and other activities while using a barbell. This will assure that if the students have gym or weights in high school that they can lift weights without hurting themselves. If your student is currently in a gym class, they will most likely be using these soon to practice.



Artist of the Month

Written by: Alycia G.

The artist of the month for the month of February is Alycia Garcia. She was chosen for artist of the month because of her great work ethic in class. She is inspired to do art because she’s always enjoyed drawing. She started doing art when she was young. Her dad was a big influence for her art. Alycia says her favorite piece of art she’s made was a pencil portrait of a girl. Her favorite artist is Salvador Dali.



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Flower With a Power Project

Written by Hope S, Aaron M, & Mrs. Schumann

Our Community class is working on a project to address a problem: Only 4% of national funds go towards childhood cancer research. We here at team F.L.O.O.F wish that percentage to be increased by raising funds to donate to Children's Hospital for childhood cancer research. And you can help us! From January 17th to the 27th we held a bake sale in the foyer after school, and people were welcome to donate bake sale items to the group. Or you can donate at our Go Fund Me: Power With A Flower at: <https://funds.gofundme.com/dashboard/FLOOFforPWAFF#>. This is not the only way to help! On Feb.10th we will be having a Flower Power Party in Mrs. Schumann's classroom from 3-5 pm where you can come and make origami flowers for children receiving cancer treatment at Children's Hospital in Denver, participate in some fun activities, and eat PIZZA! All monies we raise from pizza sales & activities will be donated to Children's Hospital for childhood cancer research. We would love if you could come and join us for a great cause and have fun in the process! Lastly, Team FLOOF stand for Fluffy, Loving, Outgoing, Optimistic Friends! Come become a part of our team by participating in our events!



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