

BOOKCLIFF MIDDLE SCHOOL

Home of the Mustangs

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Important Dates

Band Concert

December 14, 7 pm

Choir Concert

December 19, 7:30 pm

Orchestra Concert

December 20, 7 pm

End of 2nd Quarter Assembly and Party

December 22

No School— Winter Break

December 25—January 5

No School— Teacher Work Day

January 8

Students of the Month

Computers: Emilio Palma

Boys PE: Carter Baskin

Counselors: Mason Robinson

6th grade: Celest Torres

7th grade: Talija Strautins

8th grade: Jayden Bussey

DIA 8th grade: Brianna Adan

SPED: Hunter Hamm

Band: Anna Warren

Orchestra: Elissa Haut

6th grade: Courtney Spencer

7th grade: Juan Trevino

8th grade: Billy Adams



Free Breakfast in the Cafeteria Daily From 7:10- 7:25 AM!

Walking and Bicycle Safety

Written By: Jayden B. and Gwenevere P.

Bicycle Safety: When riding a bicycle on the road keep in mind that a bike is a vehicle. Obey all the traffic laws such as traffic signs, signals, and lane markings. Make sure that others can see you on the road by using reflectors or lights. Stay alert at all times when riding; keep aware of your surroundings.

Walking Safety: When walking to school make sure you face traffic. Dress correctly, wear bright colors and wear reflective clothing. Please make sure to use cross walks. Know where you're going and make sure you don't get lost. Lastly, always keep aware of your surroundings.

Mustang Herds

Written By: Alexia C., Mariah S., and Daniella C.

Every year BMS has participated in Herds. Herds are a group of 6th, 7th and 8th graders that gather every Thursday. They are represented by a letter in the word Mustang. They will be announced on the intercom after announcements, and end when first period starts. In the Herds we build teamwork, community, and trust. Every Thursday, Herds go and do fun activities.



Fundraiser Update

Written By: Arianna M. and Shylo S.

This year, we held an all-school fundraiser where 217 students participated. It lasted about a month starting in September. In the fundraiser the students sell food, sweets, and household items to family members and friends. Although our goal was \$10,000, we raised \$9,600. We plan to use the money for a shaded structure on the north east corner of the building by the basketball courts. Any leftover money will go towards more technology! We'd like to thank all the students who fundraised for the school, and the friends and family that bought from them!

Artist of the Month



Written By: Raegan V., Masey K.

This month we would like to congratulate Laurel Collins! She has been involved in art since she was 3, but basically since she was born because of her grandmother's inspiration in art. Her greatest inspiration is Frida Kahlo and her internal beauty. Her favorite drawing she has done is of this inspirational woman. When Laurel gets stuck she moves on to something else for a while so she can take her mind off art. She will continue art when she gets older and pass it on to others. After this project, she will be working on surrealism, a project where she puts different photos together to make a big picture.

Dodge the Hunger Dodgeball Tournament



Written By: Alexia D., Sierra K., and Edwin S.

The Dodge the Hunger Fundraiser raises money for the Backpack Program. Basically, it's kids feeding kids and is ran through Kids Aid Organization. This tournament was started by Grand Mesa's PE teacher, Mr. Marty Wood. Bookcliff Middle School students raised \$780 and as a district we raised almost \$5000 dollars. Ms. Mary Beth says her favorite part of the tournament is being our championship team's coach at the District Tournament. Quoted from Ms. Mary Beth when motivating kids she says, "Change the following words 'I wish' into 'I want' and 'I want' into 'I will' and 'I will' into 'I can!'" Anything is possible with a little bit of practice."

What Ms. Mary Beth loved about this year's tournament was, "The competition was fierce. Intensity was high. It is a good thing that we, I include myself, demonstrated self-control and have learned to practice sportsmanship." Overall, Ms. Mary Beth loves seeing the smiles on the student's faces when they are playing dodgeball. She said, "This is priceless!"

District 51 Honor Choir

Written By: Shylo S.

In District 51, choir students had a choice to audition for the district's Honor Choir. In this choir, the students will perform five songs to family and friends. To be a part of this choir you did have to audition. The audition was very simple, the student just had to sing a major scale, and then had to sing a small section of a song; and they also had to sight read a rhythmic and a melodic piece. As a student trying out for the first time it was very nerve racking, but as a student trying out for a second time it was pretty easy because they knew what was coming. This year ten people had auditioned for the honor choir, and ten people had made it into the choir. Once the music is sent to the choir teacher on Wednesday, November 15, 2017 the students will practice with their music until the day of the concert.

On the day of the concert the students will get a day off of school to practice at Fruita Middle School. That evening the students will perform in front of family and friends with the choir. This is a fun and educational experience for the choir, and I can't wait for the performance.

Congratulations to all ten BMS choir students who auditioned for District 51 Honor Choir and made it in (for the first year)! Way to go:

Kayla McCracken
Sheena Tolboe
Autumn Mead
Jazmine Butler
Jillian Morris

Shylo Saint
Aisha Elliot
Chloe Coleman
Alison Hebein
Luis Flores

Yearbooks!

Written By: Emilie J., Ally W., and Emily P.

Yearbooks are on sale now! December is the last month yearbooks are available for only \$20. After January, they will cost \$25. Yearbooks are a great memoir, and an awesome way to celebrate the year. Mrs. Coniff's Yearbook class has put a lot of effort into them and would love to see you with one on the last day. Yearbooks can be purchased at the front office. Note that we only purchase 200, and once they're gone, they're gone!