

## Letter from the Superintendent

Greetings! It's hard to believe we've already been at it for almost a month. Students and staff are settling into their new schedules and education is in full swing.

Since the pandemic began the nation has seen an uptick in negative student behaviors and absenteeism, unfortunately White Lake School is no exception. I am reaching out for parent support. It is paramount, not only at elementary, but at all educational levels, that our students are in attendance regularly. Lost time in the classroom does affect student achievement, as one would expect. Please help limit student absences as much as possible this school year. In terms of student behaviors, we are once again utilizing Sam Booth's services to help address this issue in the school. She is a certified counselor in which we are funding through our ESSER COVID relief funds. Unfortunately, it sounds like negative behaviors are also more prevalent out in the community and at home as well. I would ask you to take this problem very seriously and work with various support systems to help address this growing concern. Please feel free to contact the school if you need any help in this area.

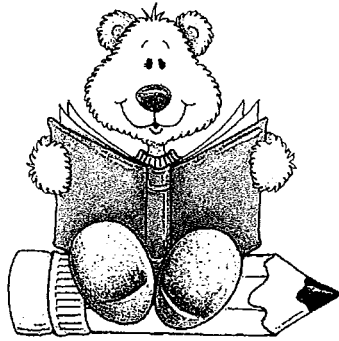
As was mentioned at the August School Board meeting, our district was identified as a Special Education Results Driven Accountability (RDA) Level 3 district, meaning we will be receiving some supports from the State to help improve in these special education areas. I am quite certain that attendance has also played an impact in this status.

In October, the State report card will be released. This year the State has made a few changes to how accountability is calculated. One being, only one year (SY2021-2022) of assessment data, rather than the typical three years, will be used to calculate the Student Performance indicator (SPI). With this change, I would expect at least of our schools to be listed as not meeting that target, mainly due to a subgroups attendance rate and that group's performance. The various subgroups include students with disabilities, English language learners, migrants, etc. Since we are an RDA school, I would also suspect a targeted assistance designation. That information will be available mid-October at <http://doe.sd.gov/reportcard/>. Regardless of our status, we will continue to work hard to ensure all our students receive a quality education.

Lastly, next week will be a busy week with all the homecoming festivities. Please make sure to show your school spirit and continue supporting our kids and school.

### Important Dates:

Sept. 19 Pep Rally (8:30am)  
Sept. 19 Coronation (7:00pm)  
Sept. 23 School dismisses at 11:30am  
Sept. 23 Homecoming Parade (2pm) \*No Afternoon Bus Routes  
Oct. 12 P-T Conferences (3:30-7:30)  
Oct. 14 No School Staff-Inservice  
Oct. 17 No School



# Mrs. Moore's Preschool

## This Month's Activities

Wow! It's hard to believe that we are already four weeks into the school year. So far, we have been focusing on our daily routines in and out of the classroom. We have been working on the "Days of the Week" and "Months of the Year" during our morning group time.

Our curriculum in Preschool goes by Themes. Theme One is Ready for School. We have talked about Friends and New Friends at School. So far we have worked on the letters A and B. In Math we have talked about creating AB patterns. We still need more work with patterns. We also talked about position words like under, on top of, in, on, beside, next to, and between. We have also talked about longer and shorter. They did pretty well with both of those skills. In Science we have talked about how we can be safe in and out of our classroom.

## Upcoming Events

- Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> Homecoming Week
- Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> – P/T Conferences (3:30 – 7:30 P.M.)
- Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> – No School – Teacher In-Service
- Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> – No School – Comp. Day



We had some furry 4 legged friends come and visit us at school.

# Kindergarten Korner

## September



### Back to School!

Here we are again at the beginning of a new school year! It is always fun at the start of a new year with all the little faces! They are always excited for school. This year's Kindergarteners are: Caroline Assmus, Britton Bogenhagen, Brayden Donker, Weston Hettinger, Ciara Moeller, Gage Mohnen, Kole Mohnen, Jordyn Sheeks, Orion Steichen, and Anton Toupal. This year's Junior Kindergarteners are: Gwen Clites and Aubree Miranda.

### Learning the Basics in Kindergarten

We have started our year learning lots of things. We have started out reviewing all our letters. Now we are learning the sounds the letters make. We have been learning the letters m, a and s! We also have a new phonics program this year called, "Countdown". We enjoy all the different activities.

Reading is full of new things to learn. We have learned a lot about looking for those key details in a story. We are learning to pay attention to the words on the page along with the pictures we see.

Do you know what a noun is? We do! We have learned that nouns are words that name people, places and things. We are also talking about verbs, well at least the action kind. With all of our knowledge about grammar, we are doing a good job writing!

We have been keeping ourselves busy in Math as well. We have been working a lot with our numbers 0 through 10. We have also learned about greater than, less than, equal, and ordinal numbers.

We have been keeping ourselves busy in science! We have learned about the tools that scientists use, our 5 senses and all about APPLES!

### **Puppy snuggles are always welcomed!**

Thank you Diane Munsen and Kim York!



# September

## 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Newsletter

### This Month's Activities

It is hard to believe we are a month into a new school year! The first graders have been hard at work getting used to the classroom routine.

In Phonics, we have been working on memorizing the phrases and sounds for each letter. We are working a lot on short "a" words at the moment.

Math has us doing a lot of Kindergarten review so far with adding facts. We are working on partners up to 10 and soon will be using those partners to help us subtract.

In Language Arts, we have been reading simple books and exploring authors' purposes for writing stories. We have also been recognizing nouns throughout sentences and stories. Soon, we will begin working on proper nouns.

We just began a Social Studies unit where we are discussing the rules and laws found within our society. We have been perfecting skills, such as cause and effect and map reading, as well.

In Science, we have been studying lights and shadows. We have learned that as the sun changes position in the sky throughout the day, shadows change positions as well. It was a lot of fun getting to go outside and trace our shadows at different times of the day!

There are no August, September, or October birthdays in our classroom.

### Upcoming Events

- ✦ Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>: Homecoming Week
  - Monday: Rodeo Day
  - Tuesday: Neon Day
  - Wednesday: Anything but a Backpack Day
  - Thursday: Dress as a Teacher Day
  - Friday: WiLdKat Day
- ✦ Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>: Dismiss at 11:30
- ✦ Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>: Parent/Teacher Conferences (3:30-7:30)
- ✦ Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>: No School (Staff In-service)
- ✦ Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>: No School



Using flashlights to move shadows (top)  
Fluffy visitors joined our classroom!  
(bottom)

# 2nd and 3rd Grades

How is it already the middle of September!? We have been in full swing for a month now and have made a great transition into the school year!

The 3<sup>rd</sup> graders have adjusted well to their “new” math series, having to copy from the text book. The 2<sup>nd</sup> graders have spent their math time mostly review basic adding/subtracting facts. Most of the remainder of this first chapter for them is reading story problems and finding key words to help them decide whether to add or subtract.

In English, we are studying sentences and the parts that make a whole sentence. In social studies, we learned the names/locations of the 7 continents and 5 oceans (Yes, 5- Southern Ocean!) In science, we are using an online curriculum composed of videos and hands on activities. So far, the kids are loving it! We are learning about plant reproduction and why bees are so important!

In reading we have studied dictionary skills and are now working on the forms of figurative language. We will then start diving into a study of all the main reading skills we need to know as 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> graders.

We were able to take part in South Dakota Largest Classroom at the State Fair, and it was a great experience for everyone! Next week is Homecoming with an 11:30 dismissal on Friday!

Upcoming dates to remember: Sept. 23- Homecoming  
Oct. 12- P/T Conferences  
Oct. 14- NO SCHOOL- Teacher Inservice Day  
Oct. 17- NO SCHOOL

Sept. Birthdays: Trinity Toupal, Windsor Assmus, Kenzie Stahl

# 4TH AND 5TH GRADE NEWSLETTER

We have survived through the first month of school! In this year's class, we have a class of eleven fourth graders and six fifth graders. The fourth grade class includes: Brant Bogenhagen, Loagon Christensen, Aden Farley, Bre'ly German, Beckham Gillen, Taylor Johnson, Aliyah Miranda, Aubrey Moore, Kooper Styles, Claire Suelflow, and Laban Toupal. The fifth grade class includes: Philip Assmus, Karter Clark, Dusty Johnson, Braydon Moeller, John Sheeks, and Brysen Stahl.

Much of the school year so far has been getting back into the swing of things. Most of the lessons covered in math have been review concepts from previous years. This includes practicing addition and subtraction as well as practice with sequencing and patterns. In English, we have gone through multiple strategies to help better reading comprehension. We have also been diving deep into the rules of certain grammar skills such as capitalizing, commas, apostrophes, and parts of speech. In social studies, we just finished our first unit over the geography of the United States. Soon enough, the students will be learning about the history of the United States, including the colonies and American Revolution. Lastly, in science, we have started a unit on life science. Skills that will be learned, practiced, and demonstrated include plant life, ecosystems, and living/nonliving parts of an environment.

Though we just started, we have gotten lots done! One thing to keep an eye on in the second semester is our annual Living Wax Museum Presentation. We will be aiming to do this in May. This year, students have picked out an influential American to society. Students spend the year conducting research, writing, and practicing for this presentation. When the date arrives, the students love to see people from the community come and support them!



On the first day of school, students practiced teamwork and communication in a challenge of building a cup tower. The challenge came from only being able to use one finger to do this. From left to right, the first group members are: Aliyah, Philip, Aden, and John. Next are Loagon, Bre'ly, Aubrey, Brysen, and Karter. Next group is Taylor, Claire, Beckham, and Brant. The last group was Braydon, Kooper, Dusty, and Laban.

# October 2022 Activities for White Lake School

Sun                      Mon                      Tue                      Wed                      Thu                      Fri                      Sat

2	3	4	5	6	7	8	1
	Cross Country at Howard JH/JV Football vs. Gregory at Kimball--4 pm	Volleyball at Chamberlain -- Think Pink Night		Cross Country at Ethan/Parkston	Football vs. Wall at Kimball (Senior Night)	Volleyball at Northwestern Tourney in Mellette	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	22
	JH/JV Football at Burke --4 pm Board Meeting-8 pm	Volleyball vs. Mt. Vernon/Plankinton At Plankinton	P/T Conferences from 3:30 --7:30 pm	Volleyball vs. Sanborn Central/Woonsocket At Kimball CC at Oacoma (Regions)	No School-- Staff Inservice Football vs. Bennett County at Martin --2 pm (MT)		State Cross Country at Huron
16	17	18	19	20	21	28	29
	No School --Comp Day VB vs. ACDC at Dakota Christian	VB vs. Platte at Kimball		1st Round Football Playoffs	End of 1st Quarter VB at Wessington Springs		
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	VB vs. Colome at Kimball	ASVAB Testing for Juniors (AM)		2nd Round Football Playoffs			
30	31						

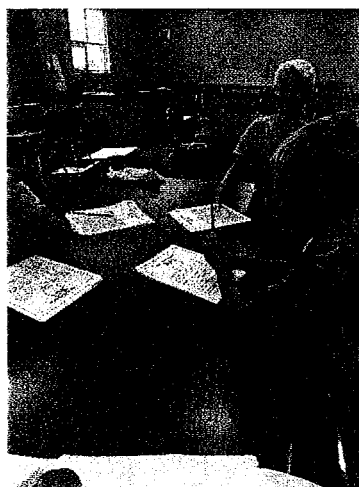
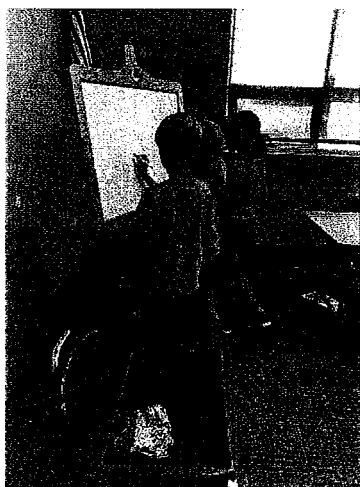
# WILDKAT S.T.E.P.S

WiLdKat S.T.E.P.S Enrichment Program is back for another great year! We have many fun activities planned!

## **Week 1 – Apple Boats!**

\*The kiddos learned about what makes objects sink and float. They discovered that objects don't sink or float based on their weight but their density! They tested a bunch of different objects to see how dense they were.

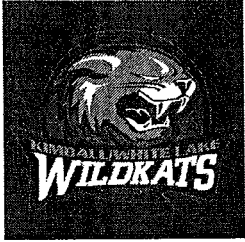
\*Then using what they learned about density, they planned how to construct a boat made out of apples that floats. So we will see how buoyant their boats are!





# OCTOBER 2022 Menu - White Lake School

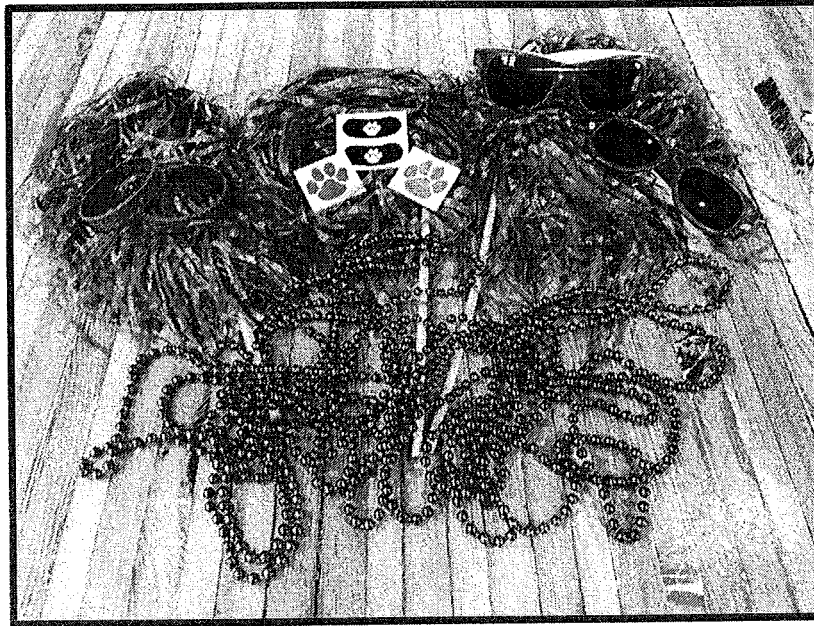
	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	3 Milk is served with breakfast.  Milk and salad bar are served with lunches.	4 Cereal, Muffins, Bananas, Orange Juice  Tater Tot Hot Dish, Green Beans, Peaches, Dinner Roll	5 Scrambled Eggs, Toast, Apples  Hamburgers, Sweet Potato Fries, Oranges	6 Breakfast Burrito, Peaches  Pizza Burgers, Baked Beans, Pears	7 French Toast, Oranges, Orange Juice  Taco Burgers, Peas, Bananas	8	
	10 <b>Meals are subject to change due to unavailability of products. Changes will be posted in daily announcements.</b>	11 Donuts, Orange Juice, Pineapple  Chicken Nuggets, Carrots, Pears	12 Pancakes, Peaches  BBQ Pork Sandwiches, Carrots, Pears	13 Burrito, Applesauce, Orange Juice  Country Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Apples, Dinner Roll	14 No School - Staff Inservice	15	
16		17 NO SCHOOL- Pheasant Monday	18 Waffles, Orange Juice, Apples  Beef Taco Salad, Corn, Peaches	19 Yogurt, Granola, Toast, Fruit  Mr. Ribb Sandwiches, Baked Beans, Pears	20 Cheese Omelet, Toast, Pears  Orange Chicken over Rice, Broccoli, Oranges	21 Cinnamon Rolls, Orange Juice, Bananas  Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Bread Stick, Carrots, Applesauce	22
23		24 Cereal Bar, Peaches  Hot Dogs, Baked Beans, Apples	25 Breakfast Pizza, Orange Juice, Oranges  Chicken Strips, Green Beans, Pears, Dinner Roll	26 Pancake on a Stick, Pears, Orange Juice  Ham, Cheesy Hashbrowns, Corn, Pineapple, Dinner Roll	27 Fruit Coffee Cake, Apples  Chicken Patty on a Bun, Carrots, Bananas	28 Cornbread, Applesauce, Orange Juice  Chicken Alfredo, Bread Stick, Broccoli, Peaches	29
30		31 Long Johns, Orange Juice, Oranges  Pizza, Carrots, Peaches					



# KWL Homecoming Spirit Items for Sale by PTC



*Connecting: Parents, Teachers, Children*



Pom Poms: \$2.00 pair

Bracelets (Adult/Youth): \$1.00 each

Beaded Necklaces: \$1.00 / pair

KWL Spirit Tattoos: \$2.00 / bag

\*\*\*NEW ITEM\*\*\*KWL Kids Sunglasses: \$5.00 each

SPIRIT BAG (includes all items except sunglasses): \$5.00 / each

SPIRIT BAG WITH SUNGLASSES: \$10.00 / each

Funds go toward:

- 🐾 Teacher supplies in the classrooms
- 🐾 Teacher Appreciation Week
- 🐾 Prizes and events for students throughout the year

All items can be purchased  
at the White Lake School  
Office during  
homecoming week.

# White Lake School

## ROYALTY –

Izabaell Swindell – Senior Candidate

Roxy Stahnke -Junior Candidate

Hailie Houston – Sophomore Candidate

Jaxon Pursell – Senior Candidate

Beau Kirsch – Junior Candidate

Jayden Kahler – Sophomore Candidate

Britton Bogenhagen and Gage Mohnen – Crown Bearers

Homecoming Theme for Parade – WESTERN

Kimball Parade is at NOON

White Lake Parade is at 2:00 pm

SCHOOL WILL BE DISMISSED ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23rd, 2022 at 11:30 AM. THERE WILL BE NO BUS SERVICE OR AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM THAT DAY!

## DRESS UP DAYS FOR THE WEEK –

Monday – Rodeo Day

Tuesday – White Lie Day for Grades 6-12 AND  
Neon Day for Grades PreK-5

Wednesday – Anything But a Backpack Day

Thursday – Dress As A Teacher Day

Friday – WiLdKat Day

All proceeds go to the Kimball Student Council



FRIDAY,  
SEPT. 23

5:00 -  
7:00 PM

Join us at the entrance of the Kimball football field for

**BRATS, HOT DOGS, BEANS, CHIPS,  
COOKIES, AND DRINKS**

KIMBALL/WHITE LAKE WILDKATS  
— vs —  
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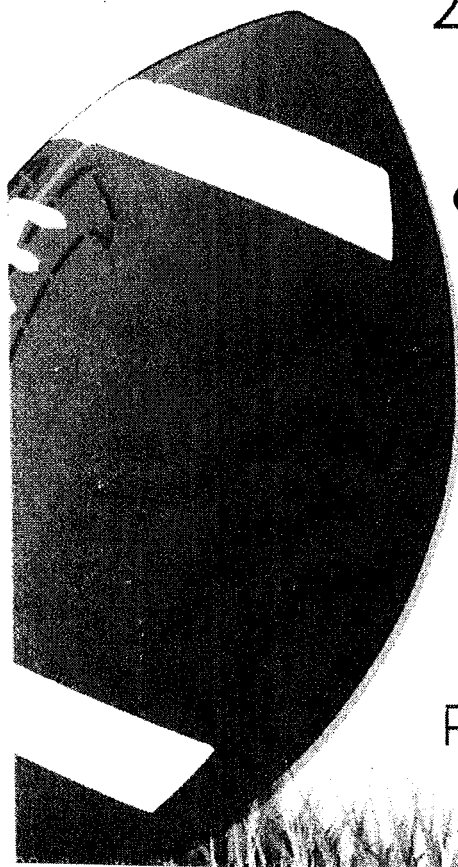
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# School Newsletter

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### Yearbooks for sale

Yearbooks are for sale at \$20 each. Yearbooks older than 5 years are \$5. Please contact the school if you are interested in purchasing a yearbook.

Thank you, *Mrs. Maeller*