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DeSmet's Publishing Class Gets an Upgrade

By Mikayla Bronec and Ms. Van Sickle

Maybe you have been to the publishing classroom and have noticed the new computers. Yes! We have six new computers with software, three new cameras, 2 printers, soon some web camera for viewing our trout, spiders or our chicks. Ms. Van Sickle wrote a grant to the Steel Reese Foundation to help us to become more productive reporters and photographers. Last Spring, two representatives from Steel Reese came to our school to ask Mrs. Andres, Mrs. Hudson and Ms. Van Sickle some questions about our school. The Representatives from Steel Reese Foundation liked what they saw and heard about our school, newspaper and yearbook. We received the \$8,500.00 grant in August. Ms. Van Sickle contacted a representative from Dell to help us to pick out the best computers, camera and software to meet our needs. During the first week of school everything arrived. The six new computers from Dell have a terabyte memory and eight megabits of ram to help them handle all of the pictures and articles. Plus, these computers came to us fully loaded with all the software we needed for creating our paper and yearbook. The new Sony cameras enable us to take pictures from far away and make it look like we are next to the person. This will be great for taking pictures of sport and other activities. If you were to ask us if we like our new publishing equipment, we would gladly tell you that they are **AWSOME** and **AMAZING**. We all enjoy using our new equipment and cannot wait to start our year book as well. Thank you Steel Reese Foundation.



DeSmet's Inside Scoop: *Principal Corner*

By Mikayla Bronec

A quick rundown of our year so far, if you haven't had a chance to check out our new website, you are missing out! It is awesome! A great big thank you to Ms. Van Sickle for a job well done!

The ice cream social was a great chance for "old" friends to visit and "new" friends to be found. The ice cream was yummy too.

Open house was also a tremendous success. The dinner was wonderful and parents and students enjoyed visiting with staff too.

A great big thank you, to everyone who supported the first book fair of the year, we raised a little over Ms. Keyes' goal of \$1000.00!

We had a first professional dress Friday. Most students remembered and looked very nice. We were able to find clothes for the students who forgot. Dressing for success is an important skill to have. When students look good, they feel better about themselves and focus on academic learning. Also, our school spirit Fridays are very successful. The Booster Club has sold many t-shirts and kids look good wearing the DeSmet t-shirts! School Pride is on the rise!

The flag football team is doing well; they won their first game and are looking good. For a schedule of games, visit our new website.

The girls' basketball team is improving with every practice and game. Way to go Lady Padres! Their schedule is also on the website.

Just a reminder: Look for the weekly school newsletter on Thursday. Important upcoming events and dates are highlighted in the newsletter.

We are off to a great start and I am, "Revved for Success!!"

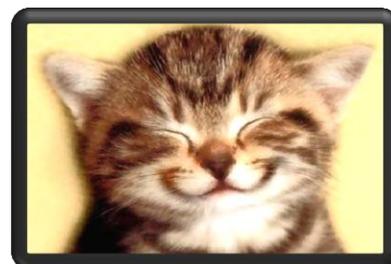
Helpful Healthy Hints!



So here we are again - back at school, Some things never change including good hygiene! Shower or bathe that body every day with soap, use deodorant, and brush those pearly whites! (Your teeth.) You'll feel better and smell better! Then put on clean clothes and a **SMILE!**

I'm happy to see so many familiar faces and so many new faces as well!

Love, your Health Aide
Millie



What's Cooking in the Kitchen?

By Hunter Burrell

We will be serving salad bar every Tuesday and Thursday, due to Michelle Obama's Law to make healthier school lunches, school lunches will be a little different this year. "We hope you will enjoy the new school lunches."





DeSmet's Class Knowledge!

By Isaiah Silveira and Brian Bishop

Kindergarten

The Kindergarten are learning beginning letters of the alphabet. They have also started their math curriculum and read their first book.

1st Grade

They have been working on kindergarten skills review, writing practice, their rules and manners, and packing homework folders and returning.

Coming up in 1st grade

The book "Chicka Chicka Boom Boom" to give them letters to reorder into words. They are reading beginning a social studies unit called "we belong". Beginning science unit called "My Wonderful Body" and how to take care of myself. So far, all have loved "mouse a cookie" unit. All have pledged to be First Grade Super Kids and helped Mrs. Pettit write what they look and act like.

2nd Grade

We are looking forward to have a fun and great year.

3rd Grade

The DeSmet third graders have been very busy learning about each other and exploring the new classroom. In Social Studies we are starting to study the great state of Montana that we live in. During Science class, we discussed what a chemical reaction is and made a sandwich bag blow up.

We will be visiting the Corn Maze on October 25th along with the second grade. Each child will need to bring a sack lunch and \$3.00 dollars. In order to get through the maze, there are clues that we will need to solve as a class. We will start discussing the Egyptian themed questions together with the second graders.

4th Grade

We are learning about oceans and continents in social studies; place value in the 100,000,000 place in math; and in science we are learning about classifying living things (including invertebrates and vertebrates.) Whew! We are busy! We are also planning a fieldtrip to Kelly Island in October.

5th Grade

In math we are learning about place value. In science we are learning about the Scientific Method and how to apply it.

Science

Ms. Van Sickle would like to thank Mrs. Keys and the Bronec Family for the Scholastic books. 6th Grade is learning about metric system and about the earth. 7th graders did an experiment using the microscopes looking at microscopic organisms in water. 8th graders are building balloon cars, learning about force.



DeSmet's Class Knowledge! Cont...

Library News

The book fair went extremely well! Thank you to all the families and DeSmet staff who made it such a success! I'm enjoying working with the students and look forward to teaching them about the newly renovated library has to offer them throughout the year. I welcome all families to stop by anytime and please call, email, or stop by to see me if you would like to volunteer!



Ms. Schmidt

We have had a tremendous start to the year. My students have been working with fractions, decimals, algebra, reading fluency, and writing. Our first "Friday Free Time" (earned through hard work), we busted the myths that pop rocks and soda pop is a dangerous combination.

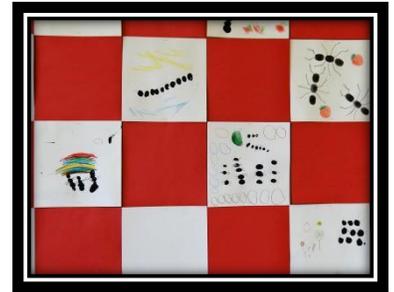
Ms. Ginn

I am busy doing Dibels reading assessments with all students grades K-5. This is always a good time for me to meet all the new students and reconnect with the returning students. It's going to be an amazing year!



Art

The Kindergarten class made an ant picnic complete with lollipops, ice cream, and pizza. They learned about the three parts of an ant: head, thorax, and abdomen. Each piece is unique, since each student used their thumbprint for the body of the ants.



Padre Sports

By Mikayla Bronec

Boy's Football:

DeSmet Padres Boy's Football season has started up this month. Mr. Feeley the 5th grade teacher is the coach. There are twelve guys on the team. A lot of the boy's from last season are back along with some new faces. They will play a total of ten games. The boys won their first game against Superior. Their first home game was cancelled due to smoky health conditions. The game will be rescheduled to a later date. Good Luck football team!! GO PADRES!!!

Girl's Basketball:

The Girls' Basketball season has also started up this month too. This year's season will be coached by the third grade teacher, Mrs. McDonald. The basketball season is through the Copper League unlike last year the season was through Kwan's (YMCA). The Copper League will be the same teams DeSmet plays in football, track, and volleyball. The girls practice almost every day of the week except game days. Mrs. McDonald has practice schedules and game schedules. The team has a total of seven girls. The girls are improving with each practice they are at as a team and at games. Mrs. McDonald's team quote for this basketball season is "Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success!!" – Henry Ford. Good Luck Girls!! GO PADRES!!



Jokes

By Julyan Standing Rock

Q: What do you call a train that sneezes?

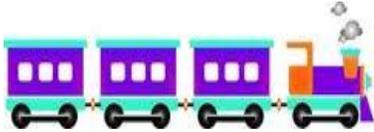
A: Achoo-choo train

Q: Why did the bee go to the doctor?

A: Because he had hives

Q: Why did the pony go to the doctor?

A: Because she was a little horse



The top five movies as voted by DeSmet Students

By Colten Shoen

Thank you to everyone for voting, here are the results:

- 1: Hunger Games
- 2: Brave
- 3: Para Norman
- 4: Madagascar Three
- 5: The Bourne Legacy



This Year's Desmet's favorite Halloween Costumes

By: Nathen Mallo

Among the K-5 graders

- 1st Morph suits
- 2nd Cats
- 3rd Two face

The Middle School's favorite Halloween costumes

- 1st It
- 2nd Dead Skater
- 3rd Two face



DeSmet's Teachers of the Month



PE Teacher Ms. Anderson

By Isaiah Silveira and Mikayla Bronec

Ms. Anderson is our new PE teacher at DeSmet School. This is her first year teaching at a school. Ms. Anderson likes DeSmet because she enjoys the fact that she gets to know every single kid. She wanted to become a teacher cause she enjoys being with kids. Ms. Anderson grew up in Missoula as a kid and went to Sentinel High School. She furthered her education at the U of M Western in Dillon Montana. She went to Western because she had a scholarship to play basketball there. Ms. Anderson collects shoes as a hobby. She loves shoes, mainly tennis shoes. She likes to travel and play basketball in her free time. Her favorite thing about teaching is getting to work with kids and seeing them grow over the school year. Ms. Anderson is very happy to be here and excited for an AWESOME school year.



Art Teacher Ms. Mitchell

By Brian Bishop

This is the art teachers first year of teaching. She finished student teaching in December. She is so happy and thrilled to become a Padre. She likes the small school because she can learn the names fast and remember the names. On her free time, she makes art, cooks and bakes, and takes bike rides. She was born in Chandler, Arizona but she grew up in Corvallis, Montana. She went to the University Of Montana. It was close to her home and the state tuition.



Meet the 8th Graders of the Month

Isaiah Silveira

By C.P Gutierrez

Isaiah has been going to DeSmet since sixth grade. He likes it here, because he has made many friends here. His favorite sport is skateboarding and football. Isaiah wants to go to Big Sky High school or Frenchtown High School. He has a sister and brother named, Mariza and Tony. Isaiah also has a cat and dog named Stinky and Sissy. His favorite subject is math.



Tyler Wilson

By Brian Bishop

Tyler has been going to DeSmet for two years. One of the reasons Tyler likes this school is the teachers are nice and the kids are too. His favorite sport is football. His favorite football team is the Green Bay Packers. On his free time he plays basketball, skates, and plays video games. Tyler is going to Big Sky next year. His favorite subject is math at school. He has 17 cats and two dogs that are named Bruiser and Nugget. He also has 3 older sisters.



Tongue Twisters

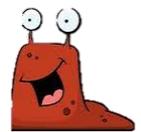
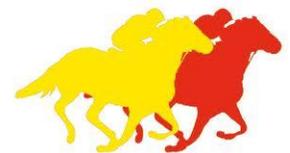
By Julyan Standing Rock

**One-One was a racehorse.
Two-Two was one, too.
When One-One won one race,
Two-Two won one, too.**

**Silly Sally swallowed slippery sea slugs with slick sour slime;
sipping soda in shiny silver slippers.**

**Big bad bumble bee buzzes,
while blowing blue berry bubble gum,
by the big black bear.**

**Henry hamster hopped happily humming
eating honey and hops.**



Birthday's of the Month

Happy Birthday to the students at DeSmet who had birthdays in August and September!!

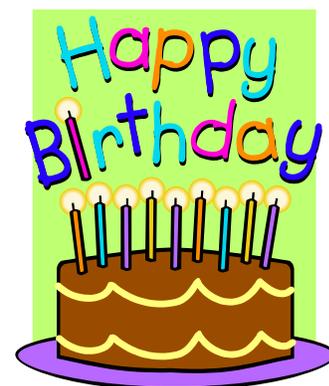
Happy Birthday to:

September ★

- ★ 1st: Max in 5th Grade
- ★ 5th: Jarhen in 3rd Grade
- ★ 7th: Tegan in 3rd Grade
- ★ 7th: Aiden in 2nd Grade
- ★ 10th: Pascual in 7th Grade
- ★ 11th: Jazymine in 5th Grade
- ★ 13th: Mataya in 2nd Grade
- ★ 13th: Vincent in 7th Grade
- ★ 14th: Chayla in Kindergarten
- ★ 15th: Kayden in 1st Grade
- ★ 22nd: Denton in 3rd Grade
- ★ 26th: Cole in 2nd Grade
- ★ 27th: James in 1st Grade
- ★ 29th: Cole in 1st Grade

August

- ★ 2nd: Cipriano in 6th Grade
- ★ 3rd: Lillian
- ★ 3rd: Natalie
- ★ 5th: Kyla in 7th Grade
- ★ 7th: Christopher
- ★ 15th: Santos in 6th Grade
- ★ 16th: Cailan
- ★ 16th: Mikayla in 8th Grade
- ★ 17th: Heavyn
- ★ 24th: Isabella
- ★ 28th: Josephine
- ★ 28th: Damyn
- ★ 29th: Austin



Buy 1 Combination Dinner
& receive the
2nd Combination Dinner
at ½ Price!

NOW SERVING BEER & WINE

2221 South Avenue 549-3651 / 11am – 8pm Mon-Thurs / 11am – 9pm Fri – Sat
Combination dinner must be of equal or lesser value. Must present coupon when ordering.
Offer good as 2221 South Avenue West, Missoula. Only one dinner per customer.

ADULT BINGO NIGHT

DESMET FUNDRAISER

When: Friday, October 5, 2012

Where: DeSmet School 6355 Padre Lane, Missoula, MT

Time: Doors open at 5:30, Bingo starts at 6:00pm sharp!

Cost: \$5.00 admission & \$1.00 per Bingo card

****RADIO CELEBRITIES****

SCOTT & PAULA from **107.1 "The Ranch"**

Will be our Bingo Callers!

Half time performance by country western band:

SHOWDOWN

Dinner: Indian Tacos, Chili Dogs, Pop, Dessert for sale at 5:30

WINNING BINGO BASKETS

Gardening Basket	3 Family Baskets	Lady Luxury
Sports Basket	Father's Basket	Baby Basket
Crafting Basket	Griz Basket	Baking Basket
Movie Basket	Date Night Basket	\$150.00 Gift Certificate HUB

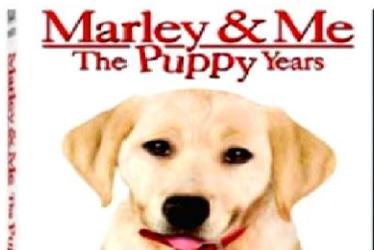


**K- 8TH GRADE
MOVIE NIGHT
INCLUDING
PIZZA WITH A DRINK
ALL FOR \$5.00**



Sponsored by the 6th Grade Class

- **When:** October 12th
- **Time:** 3:30 – 5:15pm
- **Entry Price:** \$5:00 - includes (free movie with 2 pieces of pizza and drink)
- **Movie:** Marley & Me (The Puppy Years)



If you loved the hit movie Marley & Me; you cannot miss our favorite cute dog in mischievous action film.

This movie is rated "G" for Gobs of laughter and fun for all ages!

Tickets will be sold starting the 17th of September. Get your ticket early before they are all sold out.

Purchase your tickets before or after school, from Ms. Van Sickle in room 117.



Cookies = .25 Cents each

Kettle corn popcorn and cookies will also be for sale at movie.



Kettle corn Popcorn \$2.50

We're on the Web!

See us at:

www.desmet.k12.mt.us/index.html

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