



Blackhawk News

“By the students, for the students”

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Welcome to our first newspaper! This newspaper will provide you with our latest news in Westville! This newspaper will include comics, interviews, sports, local news, movie reviews, games and more!

Thanksgiving

By:Ryder and Cooper

Thanksgiving is traditionally a day for families and friends to get together for a special meal. The meal often includes a turkey, stuffing, potatoes, cranberry sauce, gravy, pumpkin pie, and vegetables. Thanksgiving Day is a time for people to give thanks for what they have. People also tend to play or watch football on Thanksgiving Day.

Thanksgiving originated from the event Americans commonly call the first Thanksgiving. This was celebrated by the pilgrims after their first harvest in the New World in October 1621. This feast lasted three days and it was attended by 90 Native Americans and 53 pilgrims.

Some things you can be thankful for are family, friends, food, clothes, shelter, and water. Others things people are thankful for are nature, animals, and air. Have a wonderful Thanksgiving!

Out and About Around Westville

By Iris and Dusty

1. 2nd Annual Tree Lighting: Sunday November 25 4:00 pm at Prairie Meadow Park .
2. Milk and Cookies with Santa: Saturday December 1 9:00 am-12:00 pm at Westville Fire Dept.
3. Holly Days: Downtown Valparaiso December 7th.
4. Ice Skating Under The Urschel Pavilion \$5 Admission;\$4 Skate Rental (Valpo).



Sports

Boys Basketball:

By Cooper and Ryder

5th Grade

The Fifth grade boys basketball started off the season with a twenty minute running quarter, due to being short on players. They did a great job for their first game but ended up losing. Monday nights game was amazing! The boys showed their strength and won 30-6.



6th Grade

The the sixth grade basketball team started off strong but at the last few minutes Hebron came back and they lost. The final score was 30-27. On the sixth grade boys basketball the person who scored the most was Tyler . Tyler was also the most valuable player on the team for the first game. Since the first games both teams are on a winning streak. We are looking forward to seeing what these two teams can do this year. Come cheer them on!

Next home games: Monday, December 3rd.



Volleyball Basics by Coach Ramer

Written by Gracie



I asked Mrs.Ramer the following questions about the sport of volleyball and here is what she said: What is a spike? This is when a player is in the front row and a player hits the ball hard directly over the net.

What is a serve? A serve is used to put the ball into play to the opponents. The player serves the ball over the net and the opponents hit the ball back.

What is a pass? A pass is when a player digs the ball and sets it to the setter.

There are many more components to the game of volleyball, but here are a few starters.

Cowboys VS Colts: Who Will Win?

By Micah



It is the Cowboys Versus the Colts! This game is on December 16th at 12 P.M.

Make sure you bring a coat! It's going to be fairly cold outside.

Although, you can be sure that this is going to be a heated game! Who do you think will win? Let us know.

Staff and Student Interviews

Get to Know Mrs.Ramer

By: Peyton



What is your favorite color? **Grey**

What are you doing over fall break? **Spending time with friends and family.**

Do you like teaching Preschool? **Yes, she loves it because she loves seeing little minds grow.**

Have you taught any other grades? **Student teacher in first grade with Mrs.Nelson.**

How long have you been teaching? **This is her 2nd year teaching.**

What is your lucky number? **3**

What is your favorite animal? **Penguins because she loves watching them swim at the Shedd Aquarium.**

What is your favorite day of the week? **Friday because she gets to teach and then have two days off.**

What is your favorite month? **June because it is great pool weather.**

What is your favorite hobby? **Traveling to new places she has not already been to.**

Do you have any pets? **Yes, she has two dogs Ruckus and Rambo and one cat named Kitten.**

What is your favorite holiday? **Christmas because she gets to travel with her family.**

Get to Know Mrs.Fenters

By: Alyssa



Mrs.Fenters is a 3rd grade teacher

Why did she become a teacher?

She became a teacher because she wanted to be a positive influence on kids.

What do you plan on doing in the future?

They will work on fraction sorting and making fraction models.

Does she enjoy teaching 3rd grade?

Yes, she loves to teach 3rd grade.

What were you doing before you became a teacher?

First, she was a mom and then she taught 5th grade. Now she teaches 3rd grade.

What's her favorite season?

Her favorite season is fall and she wishes it would stay longer!

It was such a pleasure to interview Mrs.Fenters she is awesome, fun, and cool!!!

Get to Know Mrs. Boren

By: Alyssa



Why did you become a teacher?

She became a teacher because she loves to be around little kids. She loves to hear their stories and receive hugs.

What is she planning on doing in the future with the kids? They are doing literacy groups, math, and trees.

Does she like teaching kindergarten?

Yes!!! She loves to because she loves loves their hugs.

What did she originally want to be when you grew up?

She wanted to be a flight attendant.

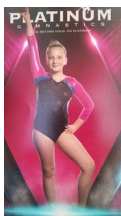
What's her favorite season?

Fall because she loves the colors and the air including the weather.

I had the best time ever interviewing Mrs. Boren she is so kind caring and funny!

Get To Know Kailee: The Gymnast

Interviewed by: Melody



On October 12th, 2018, I had the privilege of speaking with a very talented gymnast. Her name is Kailee. Kailee has been in gymnastics since she was about three in a half years. Kailee has been blessed to have never broken a bone while being involved in gymnastics. However, she has broken her nose on a trampoline. Some

of her biggest inspirations include Simone Biles and Gabby Douglas. Kailee is the only sibling that is involved in gymnastics. It was a pleasure to interview Kailee Culp and learn about what she loves most.



Meet our New Girls Basketball

Coach: Mrs. Doom

By: Kyla, Gracie, and Kierstin

Mrs. Doom is the new 5th/6th grade girls basketball coach. On November 7, 2018 we sat down with her to ask her about her new career as the basketball coach. Mrs. Doom said "I like the competitiveness of it". She wanted to coach to be more involved with the school, the students and her family is very into basketball. This is her first year coaching for girls' basketball. Mrs. Doom has two kids. Their names are Zach and Susie. Her son Zach is in 7th grade and her daughter Susie is in 6th grade. Her favorite food is pizza! It was nice to interview Mrs. Doom and get to know more about her!

Questions and Advice

Coming soon!

If you have a question that you would like answered, please write it down on a piece of paper and give it to Mrs. Vargas or Ms. Watson. We will answer it in the next issue.

Upcoming Events

(Katelyn and Tess)

Monday, 19 - Science Olympiad practice for participating 6th grade students - students will meet at Mrs. Miller's classroom after school at 2:35 P.M. and then dismissed at 5:00 P.M. and will exit main High School entrance.

5th/6th Boys Basketball- Our 5th/6th grade boys basketball team has a game versus Knox. The game will be at home and start at 4:30 P.M.

Tuesday 20th- 6th Grade Science Fair- the sixth grade students will be having their science fair in the upstairs Westville Gym from 8:30-9:30 A.M. Please enter through the middle school doors.

You Can Make a Difference Club Meeting - 5th and 6th grade students - 2:35 to 4:00 P.M. Students will exit the building using the main Elementary entrance after this meeting, door #1.

Seussical the Musical Rehearsal for All Cast from 2:35 to 4:00 P.M. Pick up is at door #8 on the north side of the school.

Wednesday, 21st through Friday 23rd - Thanksgiving Vacation (No School)

Monday, 26th - Student Ambassador Meeting - 6th and 5th grade students - 2:35 to 3:35 P.M. Students will exit the building using the Main Elementary entrance after this meeting, door #1.

Science Olympiad practice participating 6th grade students. Students will meet in Mrs. Miller's Classroom upon dismissal at 2:35 P.M. and then will be dismissed at 5:00 P.M. and will exit the building using the main High School entrance. (Door #3)

Boys Basketball - Our 6th grade boys basketball team has a basketball game vs. Washington Township. The game will be at home, with a starting time of 4:30 P.M.

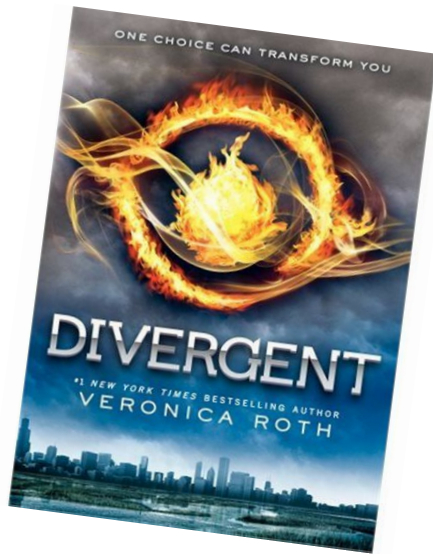
Tuesday, 27 challenger meeting students need a note
Seussical the musical ALL CAST from 2:35-4:00 pick up at door 8

Thursday, 29 The seussical the Musical Rehearsal for all CAST 2:35-4:00 P.M. Pick your child up at door #8 you will find door #8 on the northside of school

Our 1st graders have invited their parents and grandparents to experience their look! I can read! event throughout the Elementary school from 6:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M.

Friday, 30th - Challenger Mission - Selected students will attend their Challenger Mission today. They will be departing school by 7:45 and will not return back to school until 3:45 P.M. Mrs. Jones will provide more instructions to her team.

Book Review



3rd-6th

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Divergent by: Veronica Roth, is a great book. We recommend that you read this book if you are in grades 3-6. If you are interested in books filled with action and romance this is a great book for you. It is 16 A.R points and a big chapter book. Make sure to check out Divergent if this sounds like a book you would like.

By: Ryan & Carley

Kindergarten-2nd



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If You Give A Mouse A Cookie by: Laura Joffe Numeroff is a hilarious book recommended for K-2. It is 0.5 A.R points and it is a good book. If you liked the book, There Was An Old Lady Who Swallowed A Fly, then you will like this book. Make sure to check out If You Give A Mouse A Cookie, if this sounds like a book you would like.

Written by: Ryan & Carley

Fun and Games!

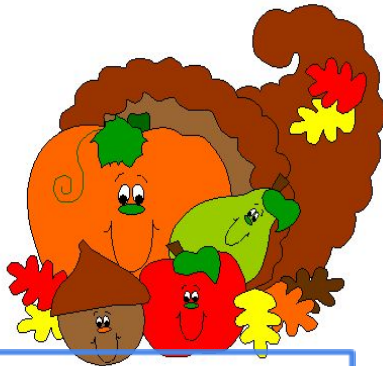
By: Ryan & Carley

Thanksgiving Word Search

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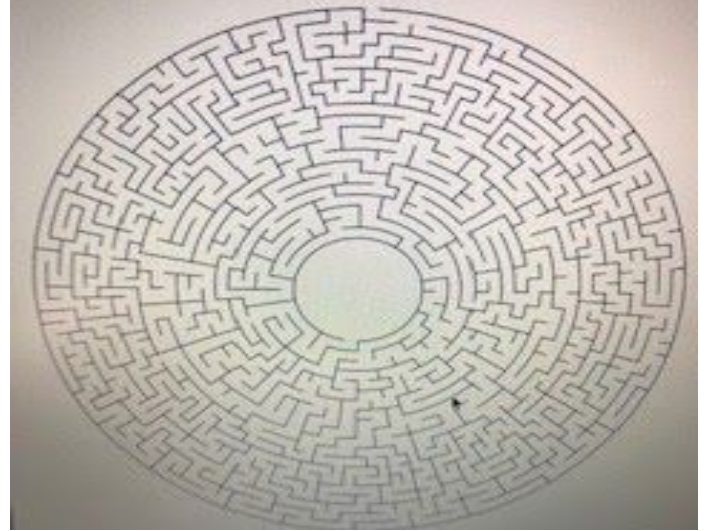
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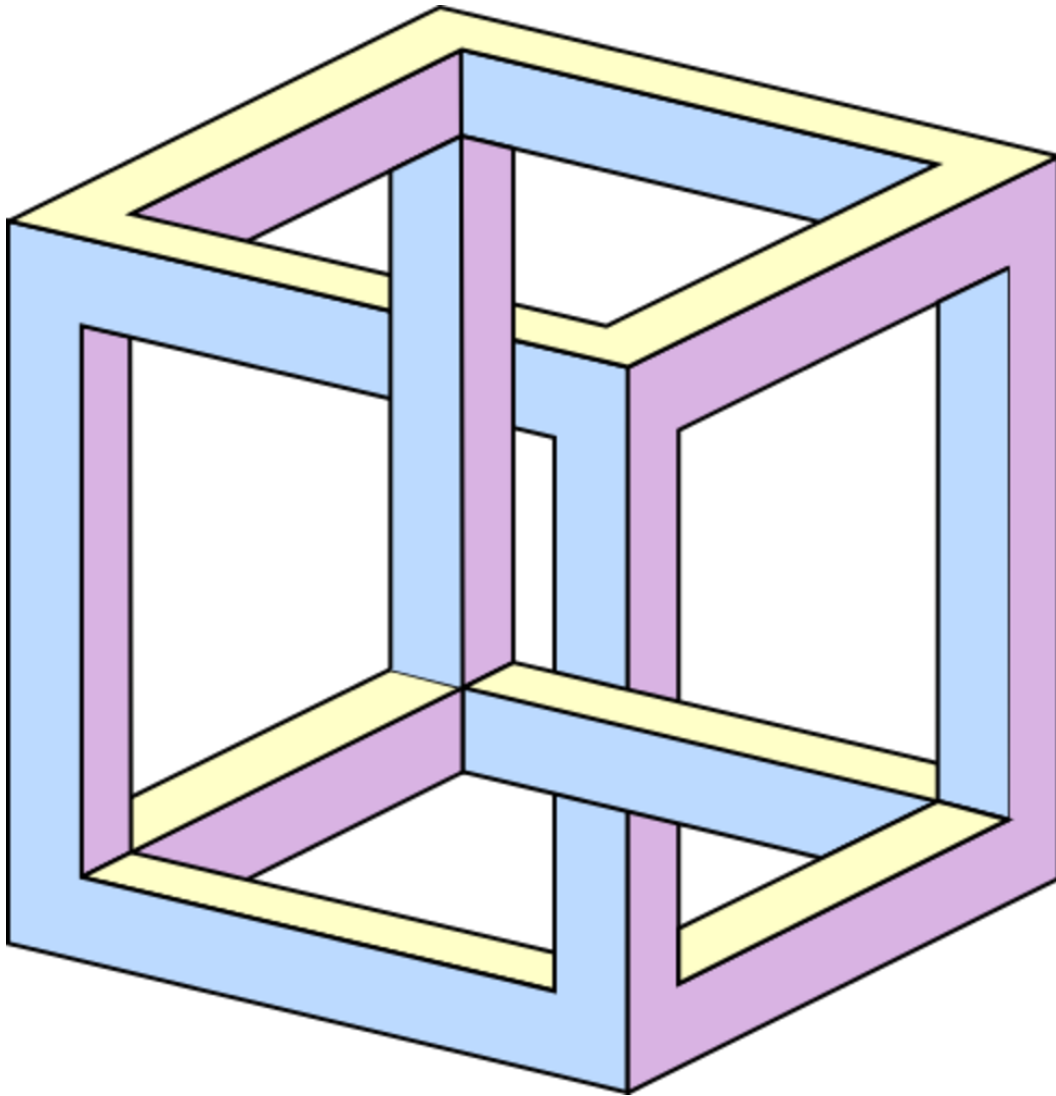
If you are the first to get all the answers correct, you will get a special prize.

(Write answers on a lined paper and turn into Mrs. Vargas)



KIDS MOVIE TRIVIA GAME
Name the 7 dwarfs in Snow White
What is the name of the main red car in the movie Cars?
What's the name of the famous Big Red Dog?
What type of fish is Nemo?
What is the name of Shrek's princess?
What is the name of the piggy bank in toy story?
What is the Little Mermaid's name?
What is the wood-carvers name in Pinocchio?
What is the name of the princess in Princess & The Frog?
What is the name of the main pirate in Pirates of the Caribbean?
What is the little girl's name who stars in Bolt's television series?
What are the names of the two old men Muppets in the balcony?
What is the name of the woolly mammoth in Ice Age?
What zoo are the animals from in Madagascar?
What is the Panda's name in Kung Fu Panda?

How many sides does this impossible cube have?



Tell Mrs. Vargas your answer for a chance to win a prize!

Meet our Blackhawk News Staff!

