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## Fordville-Lankin School

## Newsletter

## DECEMBER 2023



Mission Statement Be Kind.
Be Respectful.
Be Better Every day.

Vision Statement
Every Student will gain knowledge, achieve success, and continue to grow.

## ÖFlicial GINGEPBREAD <br>  $\cdots{ }^{11}=$ <br> "MnC CONSTRICTION CREV

Miss Jacobson's Kindergarten class along with family members built Gingerbread houses on Friday, December $8^{\text {th }}$. They were left on display in the hallway until after the Christmas concert for all to see and admire.

Building them wasn't the hard part...trying not to eat all the pieces first was!


Lauren Brintnell with mom and grandma


Abe Gemmill with mom and dad


Eben Bondy with mom and dad


Josie Nielsen with mom


Brecken Whaley with mom, dad, and sister


Great Job Kids!!


Our PreK $-8^{\text {th }}$ grade music concert was held on December $11^{\text {th }}$. This year we included a few individual performances on the piano and guitar.

PreK - $8^{\text {th }}$ Grade


Back row: Jarren Bondy, Lane Mathiason, Kalib Spillman, Terry Borgeson, Barrett Thorvilson, Darrin LaMont, Charley Moen, Sutton Nielsen, Ruby Hagen $3^{\text {rd }}$ Row: Ilsa Samson, Emlee Mathiason, Cooper Moen, Becket Smestad, Hudson Jallo, Aubriana Lamont, $\mathbf{2}^{\text {nd }}$ row: Jacob Jallo, Eliana Samson, Aubrey Gemmill, Brooks Bennett, Hunter Northagen, Laryn Samson, Levi Brintnell, Gradyn Smestad, Vayda Smestad, Jensyn Smestad Front row: Lauren Brintnell, Brecken Whaley, Abe Gemmill, Josie Nielsen, William Northagen, Lila Bennett. Not pictured: Harper Nielsen, Henry Nielsen, Eben Bondy


Lauren Brintnell


Aubrey Gemmill


Eliana Samson


Vayda Smestad


Brooks Bennett


Laryn Samson


Ilsa Samson


Aubriana LaMont


Ilsa Samson

## SPECIAL THANK YOU TO:



FOR THE CHRISTMAS CANDY BAGS

## Never Too Young to Learn

With the world moving in the direction that it is, it seems that kids are learning computers at a younger age every year. Our Business/Computer teacher, Mr. Schmuck, says, "One goal I had for myself this year was to integrate the elementary students into my curriculum. I feel that there is a huge benefit to exposing them to higher level concepts. This also allows the $7^{\text {th }}$ graders to emulate a leadership role within the classroom as they are instructed to work with the imagination of those elementary students."

## Project details

The $7^{\text {th }}$ graders are tasked with coding a personalized card, such as a greeting card, birthday card, get well soon card, etc. Each student (Charley and Ruby), were assigned a $3^{\text {rd }}$ grader (Emlee and Cooper), and are creating a card of the $3^{\text {rd }}$ grader's choosing. Emlee wanted Charley to code a birthday card for her father and Cooper wanted Ruby to code an appreciation card for his ducks.

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Current Esports Standings and Matchups

| Chess: | Super Smash Bros Ultimate: | Fortnite: |
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| Rob (2-1) | Gavin (2-1) | 28th place (out of 77 teams) |
| Davies (Fargo) - W <br> Horace - W | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Minot - L } \\ & \text { Minot - W } \end{aligned}$ |  |
| Davies (Fargo) - L | Mandan - W |  |
| Darrin (2-1) | Kahlib (1-2) |  |
| Rugby - L | Sheyenne-L |  |
| Harvey - W | Sheyenne-L |  |

Monday: Christmas PJS


Tuesday: Favorite Christmas Character


Wednesday: Christmas colors/Head gear


Thursday: Ugly Christmas Sweater



## School Board Minutes

The regular meeting of the Fordville-Lankin School Board was held in the library on November 13,2023 at $5: 30 \mathrm{pm}$.

Attendance included President Grant Skibicki, Jen Carlson, Gary Brintnell, Kylie Moen, Jacy Whaley, Superintendent Mitch Jorgensen, High School Principal Albert Irvine, and Business Manager Augusta Ramsey joined in via phone call.

President Skibicki called the meeting to order at 5:33 pm.
A motion to approve the agenda M: Carlson, S: Whaley, all in favor, MSC.
A motion to approve October minutes M: Brintnell, S: Moen, all in favor, MSC.
The Board welcomed any guests present.
Principal report discussed sponsorship for e-sports through Polar, fundraiser planning and important dates.

Superintendent report discussed important dates, used bus purchase, parent-teacher conferences, and curriculum updates.

A superintendent evaluation must be completed by the School Board prior to November $15^{\text {th }}$. The Board completed the evaluation, discussed it with Mr. Jorgensen and a motion was to approve the evaluation M: Carlson, S: Whaley, all in favor, MSC.

An E-Sports contract was presented and a motion to approve the contract M: Brintnell, S: Moen, all in favor, MSC.

A business manager report was presented with certification updates, NDASBM board updates, and information on the school being featured on the ND Parks and Recreation Department You Tube channel for a Miles and Moments video. The link will be shared as soon as it is available. It will be about our new playground and how this amazing community came together to make it possible.
A motion was made to approve the bills and deposits M: Moen, S: Whaley, all in favor, MSC.
Next meeting will be December $13^{\text {th }}, 2023$ at $5: 30 \mathrm{pm}$.
Meeting adjourned at 6:13 pm.

