

Weekly News - Winter Break Edition

December 21, 2021

Calendar Items

Tuesday, December 21 - End of semester - Classes dismiss at 10:50 a.m.

Wednesday, December 22 - January 4 - Winter Break

Wednesday, January 5 - School resumes

Announcements

Congratulations Spelling Bee Qualifiers!

Congratulations the following ABMS students who will compete in the Spelling Bee on January 13th.

Sarina Ahmad
Charles Collins
Luke Cordes
Siddharth Desai
Wilford Gault
Gavin George
Jax Heizman
Lyla Howerton
Nabreet Kaur
Jack Maxwell
Maanya Mohan

Aayush Nair
Nidhish Padmanabar
Taara Parthasarath
Srihansika Penugonda
Aydin Pirani
Anna Sira
Dane Weninger

Play Information

The ABMS Spring Play has officially been announced at school! This year, we will proudly present Ms. Kim's Class and the Book Reports of Destiny, by Dean O'Carroll! This goofy comedy is a brand new play that has yet to be published! I've been in contact with the playwright, who is excited for us to produce it for the first time, and has plans to zoom with the cast.

The play tells the story of Ms. Kim and her elementary school classroom, who is presenting their book reports. Four children give their reports, and as they describe their stories, actors bring the story to life for the rest of the class. Each book is a parody of a popular YA Literature genre. We have *Spy Zoo*, a take on goofy spy adventures that get way too out of hand, *Jubie K. Ruby*, a direct parody of Junie B. Jones, *The Grimm Tales of Wunzaopon*, a parody of twisted fairytales, and *Bathmat Man: The Damp Knight*, a reference to Batman and parody of superhero stories.

- Auditions for the play will be held on **Wednesday, January 12th**, and continue on **Thursday, January 13th**. Students can sign up on the callboard right outside of my classroom (Room 171). Students must find and prepare their own monologue to present to the directors. Each student will only sign up for a 2 minute time slot.
- The cast list will be posted on the night of Friday, January 14th. Rehearsals will begin on **Tuesday, January 18th** and will be held daily afterschool from 3-4.
- Performances will be on **Thursday and Friday, March 24th and 25th**.

Audition forms and more information will be distributed once we return from Winter Break. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me @ jmgarcia02@bluevalleyk12.org
Can't wait to get started!

Student Services December Snapshot

Each month we will be using a section of the Sources of Strength wheel as the basis for our flex lessons. This month focused on support systems.

All grades: In flex classes students participated in an activity to demonstrate the support systems that we have and build behind us. We discussed how our support system is made up of those individuals that celebrate us and encourage us through the good and hard times. We then asked students to identify those people that make up their support system both inside and outside of school. We encourage families to ask their student who they consider a part of their support system.

8th Grade Boys' Basketball

Any 8th grade boy who is interested in playing basketball for Aubry Bend this winter will need to complete the following [Athletic Packet](#) and turn it in to the Aubry Bend Office before the season begins. The first day of practice will be the day we return from Winter Break January 5th. If your student ran Cross Country, played Football or turned in a packet earlier this year, they do not need to complete another one. If you have questions, please contact the Aubry Bend main office. **Tryouts will be January 5, 6, 7 beginning at 3:00 and ending at 5:00 p.m.**

Winter Cheerleading

Any 7th or 8th grade student who is interested in cheering for the boys' basketball winter season can plan to attend our first Cheer Meeting on **Monday, January 10th from 3:00 – 4:00 in the 6th grade pod**. If you have not already filled out the Athletic Packet this school year, please complete the following [Athletic Packet](#) and turn it in to the Aubry Bend Office before the cheer season begins. Cheer will have practice on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Jan. 11-13 after school from 3:00-4:00 pm in the 6th grade pod. We will share all the details and guidelines with students on Monday during the informational meeting. We look forward to Winter Cheer!

PTO News

WOLVERINE ACTIVITY NIGHT

Mark your calendars for Wolverine Night 1/28/2022. Keep checking social media/ABMS Weekly News for more information and updates.



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6th Grade News

The 6th grade team wishes everyone a safe and relaxing winter break! See you in January for a great second semester.

7th Grade News

The 7th grade teacher team wishes our students and families a very lovely winter break!

8th Grade News

The 8th grade teachers hope everyone has a safe and relaxing break!

From the Desk of Mrs. Tate

WE MADE IT! Today is the last day of first semester, and what a semester it has been! While we faced some challenges this semester, we are so proud of the work we've done to ensure our students have had a great semester full of learning. None of our successes could have happened without the hard work and determination of everyone involved.

I hope you know how much I love our kids. Every chance I get, I brag on them and the amazing little humans they are becoming. Today, however, I'm going to brag on our staff. This team is made up of teachers and paras with 4 months to 30+ years of experience who ALL come to work every day to serve and love kids. Some days are more fruitful than others, but all the days are worth the trip.

I want to thank our team for their hard work this semester. Everyone is exhausted and ready for a restful winter break, so I'm asking them all to **unplug** during the break. I'm asking them to turn off email notifications, stay off Canvas, and spend time with their loved ones. Winter break should be just that...a break.

I hope our families can do the same. Although this time of year can be hectic, I hope you find some time to do fun things with your kids. Play a board game. Have a rousing game of Uno. See who is the best at charades! I plan to dominate Pictionary and Family Feud this break.

Thank you for a wonderful semester. Thank you for supporting your kids like no other year. Thank you for supporting our school team like no other year. Thank you for building a positive, loving community in which our students can grow.

Have a fantastic break! Happy New Year to our ABMS community!

Sincerely,
Diana Tate, Principal



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