Dassa McKinney NEWSLETTER

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The end of October marks the conclusion of our first nine weeks of learning! Students across the building have been working hard—reviewing, learning, and showing tremendous growth in both academics and behavior.

To celebrate all of these achievements, our School-Wide Positive Behavior Team will be hosting the first celebration ceremony of the year! This year, kindergarten achievements will be recognized within their individual classrooms. Two students from each homeroom will be honored for outstanding behavior and growth. In grades 1–3, two students from each homeroom will also be selected using the same criteria and entered into a special prize lottery. For our grades 4–6 students, every "Warrior Win" they've earned will count as one entry into the prize drawing, and maintaining honor roll for the nine weeks will earn them an extra entry!

We are so proud of our students and can't wait to celebrate their hard work, positive choices, and Warrior pride!

SCHOOL STORE

To help promote positive behavior throughout the quarter, students in grades K–3 earn Bee Slips, which they can use as currency in our school store. A dedicated team of 5th and 6th grade students has been hard at work preparing the store to open in November. We're excited to see our youngest Warriors practicing responsibility and positive choices—and our older students taking on leadership roles to make the store a success!



STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Each month, our elementary school proudly recognizes one student from each homeroom in grades K-3 and from each grade level in 4th, 5th, and 6th as Student of the Month. These students are selected by their teachers for consistently demonstrating positive behavior, strong work ethic, kindness toward others, and a commitment to learning.

This recognition celebrates students who go above and beyond in the classroom and throughout the school community. Congratulations to all of our Students of the Month — we are proud of your leadership and example!

| Kindergarten | Mrs. A. Bo | ptiste | Madilynn S. |
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| Kindergarten | Mrs. H. Baptiste | | Brynlee P. |
| Kindergarten | Mrs. C. Fleeger | | Waylynn J. |
| Kindergarten | Mrs. Milligan | | Aria S. |
| 1st Grade | Mrs. Conchilla | | Aleigha R. |
| 1st Grade | Mrs. Dillon | | Tayley H. |
| 1st Grade | Mrs. J. Fleeger | | Stagea H. |
| 1st Grade | Mrs. Shakley | | Elizabeth Z. |
| 2nd Grade | Mrs. Beachem | | Addison R. |
| 2nd Grade | Mrs. Harris | | Tianna S. |
| 2nd Grade | Mrs. O'Donovan | | Myra B-G. |
| 2nd Grade | Mrs. Wingenbach | | Haisley S. |
| 3rd Grade | Mrs. Hortert | | Ameila S. |
| 3rd Grade | Mrs. Long | | Twila H. |
| 3rd Grade | Mr. Martin | | Jasmine G. |
| 3rd Grade | Mrs. Negley | | Hayden H. |
| 4th Grade | Mrs. Campbell Mrs. Shearer Mr. Will | Mrs. Hoover Mrs. Szul | Mia L. |
| 5th Grade | Mrs. Doolin Mrs. Greenawalt Mrs. Thimons | Mrs. Foust Mr. McCollough | Fawn T. |
| 6th Grade | Mrs. Bish Mrs. Hershey Dr. Borkowski | Mrs. Guntrum Mrs. Spiegel Mrs. Beatty | MacKenna C. |

FUN FESTIVITIES

Trunk or Treat was a huge success this year! A big thank-you to Mrs. Olejar for organizing such a fantastic event, and to all the staff, student groups, families, and community members who helped make the evening so special.

Students have also been celebrating the season in their specials classes. Check out the photo page to see the amazing artwork created with Mrs. Willison! In STEM, 6th graders have been designing 3D haunted houses, while 5th graders are crafting original monster origin stories inspired by Greek mythology. Between creative projects and community events, October has been full of learning, fun, and school spirit!

PINK OUT

A big thank-you to Mrs. Spiegel for organizing our annual Pink Out Celebration in support of all the family members and friends who have fought—or are fighting—a battle against cancer. The building was a sea of pink as students and staff came together to show their care, compassion, and support for this important cause.

FREE SHIRTS!

Our School-Wide Positive Behavior Team is excited to announce that the free Warrior Pride T-shirts have arrived! Organizing more than 600 shirts is quite the undertaking, but we're thrilled to get these snazzy new pieces of Warrior gear into students' hands soon. Be on the lookout for the announcement of our first all-school matching Spirit Day, when everyone will have the chance to show their Warrior pride by wearing their new shirts!

























