



WEST ELKTON INTERMEDIATE PRINCIPAL
NEWSLETTER
December 2018



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Special Date of Interest:

- 12/11 - 5th & 6th Grade Band Concert 7:00
- 12/21 - Winter Parties @ 2:45
- 12/24 - 1/2 - Winter Break

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER:

I'D LIKE TO START OFF BY REMINDING PARENTS OF A FEW ITEMS.

WINTER BREAK STARTS ON DECEMBER 21ST AND SCHOOL WILL RESUME ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 3RD.

ALSO, TO KEEP STUDENTS HEALTHY, THEY WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO GO OUTSIDE FOR RECESS UNLESS THEY ARE DRESSED APPROPRIATELY IN LONG PANTS AND A WARM COAT OR HEAVY SWEATSHIRT.

FOR THE SAFETY OF OUR STUDENTS AND THE CONVENIENCE OF OUR PARENTS, PLEASE, DO NOT BLOCK TRAFFIC IN THE PARKING LOT WHEN YOU COME TO PICK UP YOUR CHILD FROM SCHOOL. ALSO, PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE PARKING LOT WHERE THE BUSES ARE PICKING UP STUDENTS.

**Blizzard
Bag Info**



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BLIZZARD BAGS:

THE PREBLE SHAWNEE SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS BEEN APPROVED FOR 3 DAYS OF BLIZZARD BAGS. EACH TEACHER WILL SEND HOME A PLAN WITH THEIR STUDENTS THAT DESCRIBES WHAT THE STUDENTS ARE TO DO AND THE ORDER IN WHICH THE LESSONS ARE TO BE COMPLETED. AFTER THE NEXT ANNOUNCED SCHOOL CLOSURE FOLLOWING STATE APPROVAL, THE FIRST LESSON MAY BE COMPLETED BY THE STUDENTS. THE ONECALL ANNOUNCEMENT THAT DAY WILL STATE WHEN THE CALAMITY DAY WILL BE MADE UP WITH BLIZZARD BAG ASSIGNMENTS. EACH STUDENT WILL BE GRANTED A TWO-WEEK PERIOD FROM THE DATE OF SCHOOL CLOSING TO COMPLETE THE LESSON. IF YOUR CHILD DOES NOT COMPLETE THE LESSON WITHIN THIS TIME PERIOD, HE OR SHE WILL RECEIVE AN INCOMPLETE OR FAILING GRADE UNLESS A REASON SUFFICIENT TO THE TEACHER IS PROVIDED. THIS WILL ALSO RESULT IN UNEXCUSED ABSENCES IF NOT COMPLETE. IF YOU MISPLACE THE LESSONS THAT ARE BEING SENT HOME, YOU MAY REQUEST A SECOND ONE UPON RETURNING TO SCHOOL. YOU MAY ALSO PRINT THEM OFF FROM THE SCHOOL WEBSITE. PLEASE HANG ON TO THESE LESSONS UNTIL ANY FUTURE SCHOOL CLOSINGS. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS, PLEASE DON'T HESITATE TO ASK. WE THANK YOU AND APPRECIATE YOUR ASSISTANCE IN MAKING SURE STUDENTS COMPLETE THIS WORK IN THE TIME ALLOTTED.

BLIZZARD BAGS WILL BE SENT HOME AFTER THE FIRST 3 CALAMITY DAYS HAVE BEEN USED. SHOULD YOU NEED AN ADDITIONAL COPY THEY HAVE BEEN PLACED ON THE WEST ELKTON WEBSITE, FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE.

Spelling Bee:





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West Elkton Intermediate School held their annual spelling bee in the school gymnasium on Friday, November 16, 2018, with 28 participants representing their classrooms in grades 4, 5 and 6. After 15 rounds of spelling, Country Ford, a 5th grader, became the 1st place winner by correctly spelling the words “perish” and “penalty” and will represent West Elkton in the County Spelling Bee. Donald Clark a 5th grader, became the 2nd place winner and will also represent our school at the County Spelling Bee. Finally, a 6th grader, Ellie Tousignaut, became our 3rd place winner who will be our school's alternate. The Preble County Spelling Bee will take place on January 24th, at 7:00 PM, located at the Eaton Performing Arts Center/Eaton HS.

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Veteran's Day Program:



On Friday, Nov. 9, 2018, West Elkton Intermediate honored all our veterans during our annual Veteran's Day Assembly. Several fourth graders presented their acrostic poems about what a veteran is, while several 5th graders presented their essays about what it means to be an American. The 5th graders also presented the different branches of the military in a skit format. The 6th graders not only introduced several parts in the assembly, but also presented their essays about a veteran that is important in their own life. Finally, the high school choir sang "The Star Spangled Banner" and "America the Beautiful." In the end, Mr. David Lewis played "Taps" as we held a moment of silence for all veterans who are no longer with us. Thank you Veterans for all the sacrifices you have made for our freedoms.





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Band Concert:

Greetings from the band department! As we enter the next couple of weeks the band department would like to inform everyone ahead of time of the upcoming concert on Tuesday, December 11th at the Preble Shawnee Jr./Sr. High School in the Auditorium, starting at 7:00 PM. Parents should have students at the band room at the high school through door 10 in the back of the high school no later than 6:30 PM. Doors will open for seating at 6:30 PM as well. Remember, student attendance is mandatory for both this upcoming Winter Concert and later on in the year for the Spring Concert in order to achieve a successful grade for the class. All students should wear appropriate performance dress clothes (School colors, holiday colors of green, red or black and white dress clothes are preferred). Please feel free to bring any family or friends that may want to attend this wonderful night of music for the very first 5th and 6th grade band performance of the year. As always, if you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to call the high school band office or send an email. Go Arrows!

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Student of the Month:



WEST ELKTON INTERMEDIATE WOULD LIKE TO ANNOUNCE THEIR STUDENTS OF THE MONTH FROM NOVEMBER. STUDENTS WERE NOMINATED BASED ON THE CHARACTER TRAIT, INTEGRITY. INTEGRITY'S DEFINITION IS "TO DO THE RIGHT THING, EVEN WHEN NO ONE IS WATCHING." THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS HAVE BEEN NOMINATED BECAUSE THEY DISPLAYED INTEGRITY FOR THEIR TEACHERS: BENNY SPRADLING , WYATT FINNEY, HANNAH THURSTON, CLAYTON BRANDENBURG, ALEXIS ELKINS, LEVI AGEE, KEEGAN BELL, PEYTON KLEINSCHMIDT, PEYTON SPRADLING, ISABELLA ADKINS, SHAYLEE KNOTT, SAMANTHA PARSON, ADDIE PENCE, ALLY RIKE, LANDEN LOVELY, IZICH SAPP, AND EMILY SHIELDS. CONGRATULATIONS STUDENTS!

GIFTED PROGRAM:

THE OHIO LEGISLATURE'S AMENDED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 282 STATES THAT ALL SCHOOL DISTRICTS MUST IDENTIFY ANY GIFTED K-12 STUDENT IN THEIR DISTRICT. THIS LAW PERTAINS ONLY TO THE IDENTIFICATION OF GIFTED STUDENTS. IT DOES NOT MANDATE ACADEMIC PROGRAMS OF GIFTED STUDENTS. PREBLE SHAWNEE IS NOT OFFERING GIFTED CLASSES FOR THE 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR. IF YOU DECIDE TO REFER A CHILD AS A POSSIBLE GIFTED STUDENT, PICK UP A GIFTED REFERRAL PACKET FROM ANY SCHOOL OFFICE, FILL OUT FORM GI-1 COMPLETELY AND RETURN TO MR. MORTON OR SEND TO: DR. MATT BISHOP, SUPERINTENDENT, PREBLE SHAWNEE LOCAL SCHOOLS, 124 BLOOMFIELD STREET, CAMDEN, OHIO 45311.