

To: Dansville School Board Members

From: Andy Cox

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Re: DES update

- 5th grade camp is underway this week at Mystic Lake Campground.
- A 4th grade parent meeting was held Monday, October 9th to discuss details related to the end of year Mackinac trip. At the conclusion of the Mackinac meeting parents were invited to visit each of the 4th grade classrooms where Ms. Main, and Mrs. Henderson presented information about classroom procedures, routines, and a deeper look at the 4th grade curriculum. This was well attended and well received.
- Fall parent-teacher conferences will be coming up on Nov. 8 & 9 from 4:00-7:00 both nights.
- This year's Community Day was a big success in the elementary as the food drive and coin drive were particular areas of focus for our service projects. The coin drive raised approximately \$2200 district wide! The food drive brought in enough food to supply the weekend survival kit for several weeks. HS students visited elementary classrooms in the upper elementary to demonstrate how they are living out the 7 Mindsets. This was well received by the younger Aggies as they naturally look up to our older Aggies. 7 Mindsets activities were enjoyed by the early elementary students.
- School wide Halloween parties/parade will take place on Tuesday, October 31. The parade will be much like last year with the last hour of the day set aside for our costumed kids to march through the district.
- A PTO Family Movie Night is scheduled for Friday, October 27th in the MS gym beginning at 6:30.
- Teachers have been attending additional GoMath training sessions provided by the ISD and the feedback has been extremely positive. One training in particular involved our teachers watching a Holt teacher presenting a lesson to her class. This provided a lot of affirmation to our teachers that we are on the right track.
- The Mason Kiwanis group donated dictionaries to all 3rd grade students on Monday, October 2nd. We appreciate their continued generosity.
- Our fall screening data has been collected using FAST Bridge. Data is currently being analyzed to create invitations to our elementary Power Hour program.