



THE PILOT



Milton Pope

Pilots

**March
NEWSLETTER**

From the Desk of Mr. Giertz



The 4th quarter has finally made its way into the forefront of our year and with that comes the annual state test, PARCC. As we come back from our Spring Break, our 3rd-8th grade students will be tested in ELA and Math comprehensive assessments. From those assessments, our staff begin to gauge the areas of strengths and weaknesses we will then focus on for our School Improvement Plan for the 2018-2019 school year. You should have received a “reminder” letter about some of the positive ideas to help your son or daughter to do the week of their testing. Please feel free to call us at school or

email me if you have any questions about testing schedules or concerns.

March has also brought on our annual “Penny War” for charities. Each class had students bring in their loose change to fill up milk jugs and see who could raise the most money before spring break. This year’s winner was Mrs. Polancic’s Kindergarten class. They raised over \$170! Each class did a phenomenal job as we raised over \$650 total. This money will be donated through our “Hoops 4 Heart” program in PE and help the American Heart Association. I am very impressed with our students’ and parents’ dedication and efforts to help others.

Hope you all have a wonderful and relaxing spring break!

Sincerely,

Mr. Giertz

Upcoming April Activities/Dates

March 26- April 2--- Spring Break

3rd Return from Spring Break

4th Track Meet @ Seneca 4:30

4th-17th PARCC Testing!

5th Scholar Bowl @ Home 4:00

Articulation Day (Dismissal @ 2:30)

6th 8th Grade Dance 7-9 p.m.

9th Community Club Meeting @ 6:30

Track Meet @ Seneca 4:30

10th Spring Sports Pictures

11th Track Meet @ Seneca 4:30

7th Grade to White Sox Game

12th Track Meet @ Streator 4:30

Articulation Day (Dismissal @ 2:30)

14th Conference Scholar Bowl Meet @ Home TBD

16th Track @ Streator

16th Scholar Bowl @ Rutland 3:45

17th Scholar Bowl @ Home 3:45

18th Board Meeting 6:30

19th Track @ Seneca 4:30

Kindergarten Open House 5:30-6:30

Articulation Day (Dismissal @ 2:30)

20th VIP Lunch—Grades 2nd, 5th, 8th 4th Quarter Mid Terms!

21st Track Meet @ OHS 9:00 a.m. (Conference Meet)

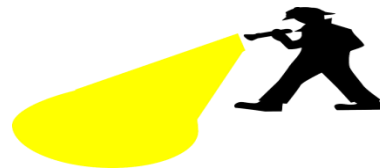
23rd ISA (Science Achievement Test) for 5th and 8th Graders

25th SIP Day/ 11:30 Dismissal

27th 4th Quarter Mid-Terms go home Track @ OHS 4:30

30th Track @ Seneca 4:30

Teacher Spot Light of the Month



This month's teacher spot light focuses on our 4th grade teacher, Mrs. Jennifer Gibson.

Mrs. Gibson writes:

March has been an exciting month for fourth grade! The class stepped into the roles of scientists and doctors by researching a human body system. The students recorded information such as the role of the

body system, the function of each organ within the system, a disease and possible treatments, etc. They incorporated technology by presenting the information researched using Microsoft Power Point. The students really enjoyed choosing slide designs and transition options to make their presentation unique.

Character Counts



Our Character Counts Team continues to work at creating a culture of continuous character building and at increasing the level of positive behavior in the school environment. This month our Pilots went all out. Ms. Peterson utilized her PE classes to help raise awareness for the Heart Foundation by joining forces with “Hoops 4 Hearts.” Students participated in high-level exercises throughout the week and capped it off with basketball games on Friday, March 9. Classes and teachers’ placed milk jugs in the front of the school to donate their “loose change” for the American Heart Association. Our students’ raised over \$650 for the Heart Association. Also, our Character Counts Committee and fellow 8th

graders put on their annual Pancake Breakfast. The club raised over \$1,600 to be put towards several items the group wants to help purchase for the school. Way to go Pilots!

Aug/Sept. – WELCOME STUDENTS

Oct. – Red Ribbon Awareness

Nov. – Canned Food Drive

Dec. – Canned Food Drive

Jan. – Book Drive

Feb. /Mar. – Crush/Penny War/Pancake

Apr. – Door Decorations

May –

YOUNG AURTHORS CONTEST WINNERS!

Out of 18 total entries, 8 winners were chosen to attend the Young Authors Celebration at Grand Bear Lodge in April. The winners are:

Kyle Hedge- 1st Grade

Josie Mitchell- 2nd Grade

Mady Hedge- 3rd Grade

Jace Mitchell- 4th Grade

Clara Cartwright- 6th Grade

Calvin Maierhofer- 7th Grade

Forest Stuedemann- 8th Grade

The overall winner this year was Calvin Maierhofer. Calvin will attend the 44th annual Young Authors Conference in Bloomington in May.

CONDRATULATIONS YOUNG AURTHORS!

HONOR ROLL

Milton Pope School is proud to announce the High Honor Roll and Honor Roll for the third nine weeks of the 2017 - 18 school year. Students in grades 5 – 8 who receive all A's on their report card are listed on the High Honor Roll. Students receiving A's & B's are listed on the Honor Roll.

5th GRADE

High Honor Roll

Kyler Araujo
Addison Ciesielski
Paxton Giertz
Emmett Liberg
Grant McCloskey
Drew Norton
Evan Snook

Honor Roll

Lauryn Barla
Evelyn Jeppson
Addyson Miller
Lilia Muffler
Caleigh Rick
Noah Sallee
Alyssa Zellers

6th GRADE

High Honor Roll

Beyonce Hogue
Ethan Sallee

Honor Roll

Jacie Clapp
Daniel Doloski
Packston Miller
Jack Myre
Reese Puleo
Tony Solis

7th GRADE

High Honor Roll

Brady Barla
Hailey Nelson
Mckenzie Oslanzi
Carter Snook

Honor Roll

Bryce Bartolucci
Ava Clark
Brooklyn Coleman
Kendall Eslinger
Michaela Harlan
Brynn Hefner
Calvin Maierhofer
Kara McCloskey
Ashley Rohr
Jacob Sealley
Taylor Stenzel

8th GRADE

High Honor Roll

Julia Maffeo
Cody Marko
Sara Meyer

Honor Roll

Jocelyn Cartwright
Carley Griffin
Annie Haugebook
Madison Lineback
Olivia Long