




Thatcher Elementary School

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From the Desk of the Principal:

 The weather is getting chilly in the mornings, please send your child in warmer clothes. Along with that, please put your child's name on their coats and sweaters.

Christmas break will begin Friday, December 17th and we will return Monday, January 3rd. Have a safe and happy holiday break!

-Michelle Ferrin, Principal

Mark Your Calendar

December

- 6—3rd Grade Music Performances
- 7—4th Grade Music Performances
- 8—6th Grade Music Performances
- 9—5th Grade Music Performances
(See last page for dates/times)
- 16—Early Release 1:16 pm
- 17-31—Winter Break (No School)

January 2022

- 3—School Resumes
- 7—Regular School Day
- 14—Regular School Day
- 17—Martin L. King Day, NO SCHOOL

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Christmas Candy Grams will be available for \$1 each beginning Monday, December 6 through Monday, December 13 at the Elementary and Primary School offices. Candy Grams will be delivered to students on Wednesday, December 15th!

We are looking for a new PTO secretary and volunteers for this school year. You can email the PTO at thatcherpto@yahoo.com if you are interested.

The PTO has a [Facebook](#) page, check it out @ Thatcher School PTO.

PTO

Nurse's Notes:



Mary had a little lamb, she also had the flu, everywhere that Mary went, others got it too!

If your child is not feeling well and/or has a fever of 99+, please keep them home.

They will do better at home getting the rest and nutrition their bodies need and will help prevent the spread of germs to others.



DID YOU KNOW....

We have TWO published authors in our school!



Clancy Mullenoux wrote *Imagination*, which is a 48-page collection of adventurous short stories. His book was published September 24, 2021.

Tylee Nielson wrote *The Adventures of the Lost World*, which is a 71-page adventure of suspense action and fiction. Her book was published November 1, 2021.



Congratulations Clancy and Tylee!
These books are available on Amazon.

The Office:

If you have an after school message for your student **please call that information into the office before 12:00pm.**

Michelle Ferrin, Principal | Chelsea Estes, Secretary | Rikki Innes, Nurse | Machelle Jones, Nurse's Aide

3rd Grade

The month of December is going to be busy! The students will be making Christmas gifts for their parents. We are asking them to bring \$5.00 to pay for supplies. **Christmas parties will be Wed., Dec 15th.** Teachers will send a note home as it gets closer for food assignments. The students need to *bring a wrapped gift* to exchange at the party. Boys bring gifts for boys, and girls bring gifts for girls. The students will come to school on Thurs., Dec 16th for an early release at 1:16 pm.

Thanks for all your support this semester! If your children need something to do during the break, they could work on multiplication facts. We really appreciate your help from home! Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Please be safe!

Thank you, The 3rd Grade Team
Ms. Petersen, Ms. Romero, Mrs. Boren,
Mrs Phillips, Ms. Hall, Miss Smith



5th Grade

The end of the quarter is fast approaching! We will be having another quarterly reward activity. In order for a student to participate, they need to have all of their work turned in and have a 70% or higher in all of their classes by December 9th. This includes the book report project of designing a cover for the book they read. We realize that the holiday fun makes it hard for some students to focus. Please encourage them to keep working hard. Thanks for all of your support!

Reading: Please read 15 - 20 minutes per day!

Math: Practice multiplication facts every day!

Thank you, The 5th Grade Team
Mrs. Hunt, Miss Hirshouer, Mrs. Nagy,
Mrs. Allred, Ms. Matthews, & Mrs. Udall



Counselors Corner: This month we are focusing on the wonderful and sometimes oversimplified character trait of kindness. The dictionary defines it as: "the quality of being friendly, generous, and considerate." But it is so much more than that! The definition we are using in class is :

Kindness: the choice to act with words, gifts, or actions to bring appreciation, positivity, and encouragement to others and yourself.

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4th Grade



We hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving!! We are thankful for the opportunity to teach your children. Thank you for the help you give at home. We will keep working up until the last days of the semester; we have a lot to learn.

Math: Keep working on multiplication facts at home.

Christmas Party: Prior to the break we will be having our class Christmas parties. Be on the lookout for more information on those. As a heads up, **students each need to bring a king-sized candy bar, wrapped in paper** for our candy bar exchange. You do not have to put a tag on it.

It is getting cold outside - please make sure your child brings a coat to wear.

Thank you, The 4th Grade Team
Mrs. Yochum, Mrs. Hatch, Ms. Lawson,
Mrs. Hogan, Ms. Crandall, Ms. Carter

6th Grade

The students will be participating in a candy bar exchange within their homeroom classes on Thursday, December 16. Please send a **KING-SIZED candy bar that is wrapped with NO NAME** to your child's homeroom teacher by Monday, December 13.

It is important that in these last few weeks of the 2nd quarter that your children are at school! There will be district assessments given during this time and other activities that you will not want your child to miss. However, if your child needs to be out, **in an effort to teach responsibility**, please make sure you or your child are checking StudentVue online for daily assignments. It is up to them to make-up the work they miss, not come in and ask the teacher for all their work when they return. This was addressed in the homework policy letter you and your child signed at the beginning of the school year.

As 6th graders begin puberty at this age, please make sure that your child is showering regularly, using hygiene products (i.e. deodorant, brush teeth), and changing into clean clothes daily. We do not want bullying to become a problem as the children go through these uncontrollable changes.

Thank you, The 6th Grade Team
Mrs. Kincaid, Mrs. Leavitt, Mr. Skinner, Mrs. Morris,
Miss Cochran, & Mrs. Cook



A.M.P.T.

See the following page for
Christmas Performance
information!

It's the most
MUSICAL
Time of the year!

Join us for a special performance as we share what we have learned in the Music portion of our A.M.P.T program!

*****All of the below performances will be held in the Cafeteria*****

3rd Grade - December 6th

9:00 am—Petersen, Romero, Phillips

9:30 am—Boren, Hall, Smith

6th Grade—December 8th

9:00 am—Morris, Skinner, Leavitt

9:30 am—Cook, Cochran, Kincaid

4th Grade—December 7th

9:00 am—Yochum, Crandall, Hatch

9:30 am—Carter, Lawson, Hogan

5th Grade—December 9th

9:00 am—Hirshouer, Nagy, Allred

9:30 am—Hunt, Matthews, Udall

December 15th

- **After-School Orchestra @ 5:30 pm**
Directed By Mrs. Carolyn Hart
- **5th & 6th Grade Band @ 6:00 pm**
Directed by Mr. Nathan Hooper
- **After-School Choir @ 6:30 pm**
Directed by Mr. Dan Curtis

