

Whitepine Joint School District #288

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NEWSLETTER



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General News:

- **IMPORTANT NOTICE:** Are you ready to make a difference, have fun, and inspire the next generation of learners? Whitepine Joint SD is seeking enthusiastic and dedicated substitute teachers to join our team! Whether you're an experienced educator or just looking for a rewarding way to give back to the community, we welcome you to be part of our small, vibrant school district. Step into the classroom and help students discover their potential.
- Please be sure to check the District website - www.sd288.org - periodically for scheduled events and changes. We also post updates on our official Facebook page, [Whitepine Joint School District](#).
- Next *Late Start Day* - Monday, Nov. 3rd.



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Fortifyyourkids.com- Parent Resource for Online Safety

Fortifyyourkids.com contains information and resources parents need to fortify their children's online activity. It provides parents with videos and blogs made to teach and to understand environments to protect their home and train their children to navigate online danger more effectively. Idaho Residents may access this resource for free and are encouraged to sign up.

Elementary Highlights

Booster Club Donates Mustang Gear

Thank you to the Booster Club for donating unsold children's Mustang gear to the elementary. This gear will be used for student recognition awards.

Family Math and Literacy Night

Family Math and Literacy night was held in the Deary Elementary School last month. Students received books from the public library and camping themed prizes.



Spring Valley Field Trip

Students from Deary and Bovill Elementary enjoyed field trips to Spring Valley Farm. Each student had the opportunity to hunt for pumpkins, take a hayride, and bring a pumpkin home with them.



Elementary Parent-Teacher Conferences

Elementary Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held at the Deary and Bovill School on October 22nd and 23rd.

Elementary Christmas Concert

The Deary and Bovill Elementary Christmas concert will be on Wednesday, December 17th at 6:30pm in the Deary High School Gymnasium. The students are working very hard on their songs!

Elementary Students of the Month

Congratulations to our Deary and Bovill Elementary Students of the Month for September! The category for Deary Elementary was respect, and the category for Bovill was growth mindset.

Bovill

Kindergarten: Lane Scouden
1st Grade: Clayton Johnson
2nd Grade: Levi Jensen
3rd Grade: Aizlyn Whitson

Deary

4th Grade: Kalen Glessner
5th Grade: Mae Larrison



Secondary Highlights

Deary FFA Shines at CALS Days Event

Congratulations to our FFA Livestock Judging team for placing 1st in the North Idaho District and 2nd overall at the CALS Days Competition at the University of Idaho on Saturday, October 11th! A special shout-out goes to Deary 7th grader, Addi Jensen, who placed 2nd overall individually! Join us in congratulating these students and Ms. Kinzer on a job well done!



Middle School Music Experience

Ms. Autumn Heath successfully took middle school band students on a field trip to Genesee on October 8th. Middle School Students from the region gathered for an exciting group band experience. Many of the Deary attendees were 6th graders who were brand new to playing in a band. Both new and experienced students had a great time and did really well!



LCSC Career Fair

Seniors had the opportunity to attend Lewis-Clark State College's Career Fair on October 9th. Students who attended were introduced to various companies and industries showcased at the event. This was a great opportunity for students to network and make valuable connections with companies in their fields of interest. Thank you to Mr. Hays for organizing this opportunity for our older students!



ICCU Donates Funds to Support Student Literacy

ICCU has graciously provided funding to support school library reading incentives for students at the Deary School. We are excited to present engaging awards and fun incentives for students in grades 4-12, promoting reading and literacy among our student population! A heartfelt thank you to ICCU!



Students Attend Forestry Days Event

On October 3rd students from Mrs. Vincent's Career and Life Planning class attended the Forestry Days Event at the University of Idaho Experimental Forest. Students in attendance gained valuable insights into the timber industry, logging practices, and forest management.



Mustang Athletics Updates

HIGH SCHOOL FALL SPORTS

We are right in the middle of our fall sports season! Here is a recap of how the seasons are going.

- HS Football is 4-4 overall, 2-0 in WPL. They play for the league championship in Genesee on Friday, October 24th at 7:00pm
- HS Volleyball has finished up regular season play, and are in the district tournament. They played on Saturday, October 18th and defeated SJB, then lost to Genesee, and then defeated Highland. They play tonight, Monday October 20th against Timberline at 6:00 at LCSC.
- HS Cross Country Districts will be held in Lewiston, on Tuesday October 21st.
- MS Football has made it to their North vs South Crossover game ---- The game will be played @ Timberline on Thursday, October 23rd @ 4:30 PM.
- MS Volleyball has officially started competition, and have competed VERY well. Their next matchup is 10/21 vs Troy. This will be varsity only at 5:30. They will have a JV scrimmage immediately following.
- We had senior nights for football, cheer, soccer, and volleyball. Those went very well! Thank you to our Booster Club for providing gifts for our seniors!



GO MUSTANGS!



Super Staff Spotlight

Kristy Johnson!

If you've ever set foot in Bovill Elementary – or simply spent time in our close-knit community – you've probably met our October Super Staff Spotlight, Kristy Johnson!

Mrs. Johnson is the heart of our third-grade classroom, where learning comes to life through creativity, curiosity, and plenty of laughter. Her classroom is a place where fun meets focus, where students are encouraged to take risks, think deeply, and celebrate their successes together.

Known for her exceptional communication and caring approach, Mrs. Johnson builds strong relationships with both students and families. Whether she's helping a student tackle a tricky math problem or supporting a parent through a challenge, she always brings patience, kindness, and professionalism to the table.

We are beyond lucky to have Kristy Johnson as part of the Whitepine Joint School District family. Her creativity, commitment, and genuine love for teaching make our district a better place every single day. It is a true testament to her character that she has been nominated before for this honor. Mrs. Johnson... *YOU ROCK!*



If you have a super staff member to nominate, please visit our Homepage at www.sd288.org.

Upcoming Events

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">10/20 - VB Districts, 6:00 vs. Timberline at LCSC10/21 - MSVB vs. Troy, Varsity only, 5:3010/21 - XC Districts @ Lewiston10/22 - Elementary parent/teacher conferences10/22 - VB Districts, TBD10/23 - Elementary parent/teacher conferences10/23 - VB Districts, TBD10/23 - MSFB @ Timberline, 4:3010/24 - No School, end of quarter 110/24 - FB @ Genesee, 7:0010/27 - MSVB @ Logos, 5:30/6:3010/28 - MSVB @ Potlatch, 5:30/6:3010/30 - School picture retake day, Bovill & Deary11/3 - GBB practice begins | <ul style="list-style-type: none">11/3 - Late Start, 10:3011/4 - MSVB @ Genesee Tri-match, 5:00/6:00/7:0011/6 - FAFSA Night11/7 - IDFY with Deary Elementary11/10 - School Board meeting, 6:30, Bovill11/11 - MSVB vs. Kendrick, 5:30/6:30 MS Smash11/18 - GBB @ Potlatch11/19 - Fall Sports Banquet, 6:00 at the Community Center11/20 - GBB vs. Kendrick11/24 - GBB vs. Troy11/26 - No School, Thanksgiving Break11/27 - No School, Thanksgiving Break11/28 - No School, Thanksgiving Break12/1 - Late Start, 10:30 |
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