



# PAW PRINTS

WA NEWSLETTER - JANUARY 2025

*Happy New Year!!!*

*School Resumes Monday, January 6<sup>th</sup>*

*Report Cards - Thurs., Jan. 9<sup>th</sup>*

*NO school - Fri., Jan. 10 - WA Deer Hunt*

## **40<sup>th</sup> Annual WA Deer Hunt**

On Thursday, January 9<sup>th</sup> and Friday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, hunters from all over the United States will arrive in Camden for the 40<sup>th</sup> Annual WA Deer Hunt weekend. Not only does this hunt benefit Wilcox Academy, but the economy of the whole area is positively impacted. If you are not already committed to help in some capacity, please contact William Malone.

***Thank you so much to the guides, landowners, cooks, volunteers, and all who make this event great each year. Special thanks to William Malone for all his efforts!!!***

## **BETA CLUB FRUIT SALE**

Thanks to everyone who supported the annual Junior and Senior Beta Club fruit sale. Top salespeople were rewarded for their efforts....

Junior Beta – 1<sup>st</sup> Sawyer Gamble; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Ava Chapman & Kathryn Steen; 3<sup>rd</sup> – Annah Camille Lott

Senior Beta – 1<sup>st</sup> Harrison Travis; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Andrew Malone; 3<sup>rd</sup> – Emily Agee & Jim Vick

**Congratulations to our Varsity Football All-Stars!** The West Team won 28-16. Thatcher Decker was selected as the Best Defensive Back, and Cam Swanner was chosen as a Captain.

**Congratulations to Marcee Dailey & Taylor Steen!** These sophomores will be representing WA at the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Seminar on the campus of Troy University in May.

**Mandatory Cheer Tryout Meeting – Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup> @ 5:15 in the lunchroom.** Each cheer candidate and at least one parent or guardian must attend. Tryouts will be held on Feb. 21.

**Creative Writing Contest** – We recently held a writing contest for all grades. The following students were selected as winners in each division:

PreK – Evie Sims

Kindergarten – Hannah Agee

First Grade – Kennedy Dailey

Second Grade – Klayton Sims

\*Third – Fifth Grades - Marley Thornhill

\*Sixth – Eighth Grades – Allie Lisenbe

\*Ninth & Tenth Grades – Lee Hollinger

\*Eleventh & Twelfth Grades – Lily Pugh

The third through twelfth grade division winners will advance to the AISA State Creative Writing Competition.

**ACT** - WA is participating in the school day ACT testing program and will administer the ACT to all juniors on **March 11th** during school hours. No registration is required.

## **SENIOR INFORMATION**

- Simpson scholarship deadline – March 1 – online application available in January
- Allyrae Wallace scholarship deadline – February 15 – applications available soon
- Updated transcripts and GPA's will be available soon after the Christmas break.
- **FAFSA workshop for all seniors – parents are invited to attend also – January 30<sup>th</sup> beginning at 12:00 p.m. at Wilcox Academy**

## **Basketball Schedule - \*Region games**

Jan. 3 @Monroe

Jan. 6 @ Clarke Prep

Jan. 7 South Choctaw\*

Jan. 14 Meadowview\*

Jan. 16 Morgan

Jan. 17 @ Meadowview\*

Jan. 21 Patrician\*

Jan. 24 Lowndes

Jan. 25 JV State Invitational Tournament – Lakeside

Jan. 27 @South Choctaw\*  
Jan. 30 @Morgan  
Feb. 3 @Patrician\*  
Feb. 4 Monroe  
Feb. 7/8 Region  
Feb. 11 Elite 8  
Feb. 13/14 Final Four

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These are great ways to support our school and the Ronald McDonald House.