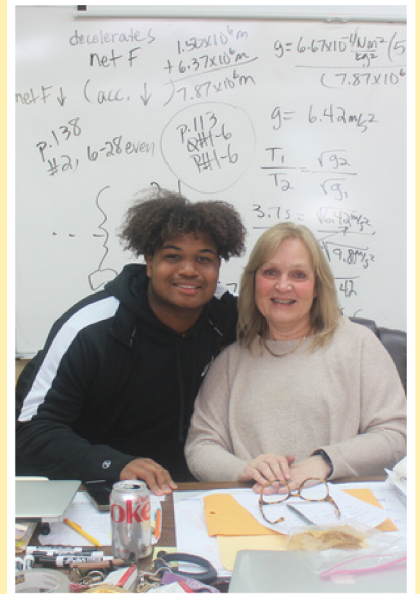


# THE GREEN SCENE

MANCHESTER ACADEMY

January | 2024

## Students Get Back To Work In 2024



While students enjoyed their Christmas break and rang in 2024 with friends and family, the new semester was just around the corner. School officially resumed on January 3, 2024. Students had mixed emotions about the end of the break, but one thing was certain. In the atmosphere at Manchester Academy during the first week, students were hard at work from the very start of the second semester. From starting new assignments to catching up with

friends, these Mavericks were glad to be back in the swing of things. Pictured above, students can be seen starting term papers for Mrs. Chaney, working on art projects for Mrs. Buffie, and posing with their favorite Physics teacher, Mrs. Perry.

### Important Dates

- 15th | MLK Day (NO SCHOOL)
- 20th | Beauty Review/Who's Who
- 1st | Progress Reports

# Nothing Beats a Dress-Up Day



During the last week of the first semester, students had the opportunity for one last dress-up day. The Journalism class had the idea for an Ugly Christmas Sweater Day during the last 9 weeks of school and hoped they had time for approval. Mr. McCloskey said, “There is an entire spread to cover for the yearbook during the 2nd 9 weeks. While Halloween and Thanksgiving content usually gives enough pictures and text for the left page, the right page is usually lacking. When we come back from Thanksgiving, there are only two weeks of school left, which

does not give us enough time to get the content we need for our pages.” Rather than rely on student pictures and hope for the best, the idea for an ugly Christmas sweater dress-up day was brought to the table. After approval, it was decided that this along with the content from other classrooms, such as Christmas parties, would be the perfect content for the page. The ugly Christmas sweater day turned out great. Students and teachers both participated, and it was a fun-filled day to enjoy looking at all of the creativity poured into the designs of sweaters.



# A Time For Joy, A Time For Giving



With all of the Christmas festivities occurring in both the Elementary and Secondary, the Christmas spirits could be felt throughout the school. During this time of holiday cheer and giving, the members of the Student Council were feeling extra helpful to those in our community. Members of Student Council gathered in the Teachers' Lounge ahead of exam week to stuff stockings for the Boys & Girls Club. These stockings were delivered to the Boys & Girls Club of the Mississippi Delta for our community. The stockings were stuffed with socks, toothbrushes

, candy, books, markers, games, stickers, and snacks. As Christmas is and should be a time of joy and peace for everyone, these students made sure that each stocking was stuffed accordingly so that each recipient would not feel left out during the holiday season. This is just a small way that our Student Council is able to create an impact on our community, and we are so proud of them for their hard work. At Manchester Academy, our goal is to nurture a generation of kind-hearted, compassionate individuals who understand the impact of giving back.



In this month's edition of the Green Scene, we are continuing the monthly teacher spotlight. The Memories Yearbook staff would like to recognize Mrs. Buffie Merritt as this month's teacher spotlight. Mrs. Merritt, AKA: Ms. Buffie, has been at Manchester Academy for 22 years. She has had 3 children graduate from MA, including Macie Daniels, our current school counselor, in 2010; Davis Merritt in 2015; and Hayden Merritt in 2017. Starting in 4-year old Kindergarten, Ms. Buffie has taught a variety of classes in Secondary over the years. She

has taught Bible, Art, and Journalism and has spent her time working hard on various tasks over the years. Ms. Buffie is loved by all who enter her room. Ms. Buffie said "I did not graduate from Manchester Academy, but I have always been a Maverick. We as teachers don't ever forget the classes that come through, and it's really special to have taught some of them in 4-year-old kindergarten AND have them as high school students now. Sure, some days are challenging, but, in the end, it is always worth it. As a teacher, EVERY DAY is a new day at MA ... a new day to be better than the day before and another chance to make a positive impact on the people I am around." The Journalism class surely agrees that Ms. Buffie's class is one of their favorites. A survey of several of the students describes Ms. Buffie's class as "relaxing, entertaining, fun, enjoyable, my favorite, etc." Your MA family loves you, Ms. Buffie!



# The Reason For The Season



On December 6, the annual Elementary Christmas program was held in the school gym. It was a great success with a wonderful turnout. This year's Christmas program featured traditional Christmas songs from both the pre-K students and the Upper Elementary students. The Christmas program also told the traditional story of the birth of the baby Jesus, the true reason for the Christmas season. All of those in attendance would agree that the entire Elementary put on a great show for everyone!

# Elementary Rings In the New Year



The new semester began on January 3rd, 2024, and our elementary students were so excited to ring in the New Year. With 2024 just getting started, the Elementary was ready to get back to work on their art skills. In the Elementary hallway, there is a bulletin board displaying their most recent artwork with a title that reads “Oh deer, it’s the New Year.” We couldn’t agree more as it is so hard to believe the school year is already halfway over. So many memories have been made, and there is so little

time left until Summer. After students returned from Christmas break, they reflected on time spent with friends and family, Christmas vacations, holiday cheer, and presents from Santa. It has been an interesting week back to school as we have learned of the many stories from Christmas break. As we begin the New Year, students are optimistic about the remainder of the school year and are glad to be back with their friends who they have missed over the break. Welcome Back, Mavericks!



# Elementary Honor Roll

## High Honor Roll

### 1st grade

Austin Boatner  
Hayes Boykin  
Olivia Childs  
Anna Merritt Daniels  
Katie Wynn Dixon  
Fiona Lin  
Mary Cole McMaster  
Emma Vance Parks  
Tinsley Paul  
Miles Shipp  
Coleman Simpson  
Staleigh Tate  
Emmie Randle Wells  
Mollie Mason Winstead

### 2nd grade

Annie Wells Crawford  
George Dunnington  
John Ross Edgar  
Lakken Hasty  
Mary Mobley Kelly  
Isabella Ray  
Marlee Tate

### 3rd grade

John Harris Ashley  
Sam Beidleman  
Wyatt Belk  
William Epps Burnham  
Emerson Elery  
Emily Moore  
Ty Paul  
Sarah Morgan Sandifer  
Walker Warnock  
Layla White

### 4th grade

Presley Austin  
Mary Beth Beckwith  
Skylar Carpenter  
Zoey Collins  
Molly Foster  
Livie Kirk  
Addison McFee  
Luke Paul  
Tee Paul

### 5th grade

Layson Beckwith  
Millie Cerda  
Watson Lampley  
Sara Emolin Ledbetter  
Haylee Scott  
Knox Stewart  
Kaiden White

### 6th grade

Alexis Hinson  
Caitlin Hodnett  
Kalem Kraft  
Knox Manasco  
Laina White  
River Wilson  
Annalise Worthy



## Honor Roll

### 1st grade

Emmy Kilpatrick  
Caroline Lampley  
Bo Ray  
Kate Hollis Smith  
Magnus Stratton  
Thomas Sullivan

### 2nd grade

John Luke Boatner  
Alayna Brown  
Maggie Crumley  
Jamyla Esco  
Hunter Keen  
Barrett Lampley  
Amiya McGee  
Jayden Stratton

### 3rd grade

Maddie Allison  
Lila Appleton  
Mary Greer Choate  
Alex Harris  
Ruthie Hodnett  
Ma'Ryah Kelly  
JB Overby  
Staton Porter  
Grey Strickland  
Conley Vandevere  
Hamp Wallace

### 4th grade

Wyatt Burton  
Amelia Domino  
Riley Richardson  
Charlotte Simpson  
Howie Spell  
Jack Spencer  
Avery Thrasher

### 5th grade

Embrie Carpenter  
Ben Chaney  
Kinsley Crawford  
Thomas Overby  
Emmy Woods  
Tinley Woods

### 6th grade

McKay Choate  
Camille Jones  
Maggie McBride  
Ella Grey McMaster  
Marlise Murriel  
Lainey Powell  
Emma Grace Rodgers  
Nora James Sandifer

# Secondary Honor Roll

## High Honor Roll

### 7th grade

Callen Beckwith  
Sarah Kate Beckwith  
Lawes Dixon  
Wyatt Edgar  
Edison Elery  
Nathan Pablo  
Sadie White

### 8th grade

Blake Beckwith  
Julian Camper  
Cobie Collins III  
Selah Druey  
Asher Evans  
Lane Evans  
Morgan Foster  
Daniel Sun  
Christopher Worthy

### 9th grade

Danija Fleming-Moore  
Molly McBride  
Maggie Pablo  
Maggie Day Ragland

### 10th grade

Mattie Burton  
Emma Roberts  
Claire Stevens  
Rebecca Sun  
Josie White

### 11th grade

Mary Michael Druey

### 12th grade

Abby Crockett  
Ryelin Levison  
Sydney Porter



## Honor Roll

### 7th grade

Dabryoun Fanroy  
Logan Paul  
John Wilson Pender  
John Salley

### 8th grade

Avery Austin  
Kausee Burrel  
Javier Diaz  
Epperson Kelly  
Michael Ledbetter  
Jodi Luke  
Reece Vaughn

### 9th grade

Jospeh Beidleman  
Jake Louis Paul  
Craig Paul  
Owen Pillow  
Wrigley Richardson  
Elliott Scott  
Cooper Trammell

### 10th grade

Angel Rae Carpenter  
Sherrill Ann Chaney  
Anna Grace Davis  
Katie Druey  
Adam Edgar  
Claira Beth Martien  
Mallory Pender

### 11th grade

Hayden Austin  
Dixon Bain  
Adalai Boggan  
Simmons Bradshaw  
Annabeth Merrell  
Jack Miller  
Brody Roberts  
Presley Trammell  
Rivers Wells  
Trejan Woods

### 12th grade

Patrick Ables  
Ana Lee Ainsworth  
Garner Burton  
Samiya Delaney  
Cole Estes  
Lexie Greenlee  
Will Keeton Ketchum  
Parker Pope  
Majeeda Sanad  
EllaPosey Sanders  
Ann Elise Sandifer  
Dean Tyson  
Ty Walton



# SPORTS

## Basketball



Presley Trammell



Anna Riley Kelly



Jon Parker Dees



Adam Edgar

## Soccer



Hayden Austin



Epperson Kelly and Trejan Woods



Ethan White



Ethan White and Trejan Woods



Patrick Ables and Parker Pope

# ACTIVITIES



## DID YOU KNOW....

Forty-Five percent of Americans make New Year's resolutions.

Twenty-Five Percent will break the resolution by the second week of January

Can you find Waldo and Woof in this edition of the Green Scene?



*I am with you always*  
MATTHEW 28:20





# NEW YEAR WORD SEARCH

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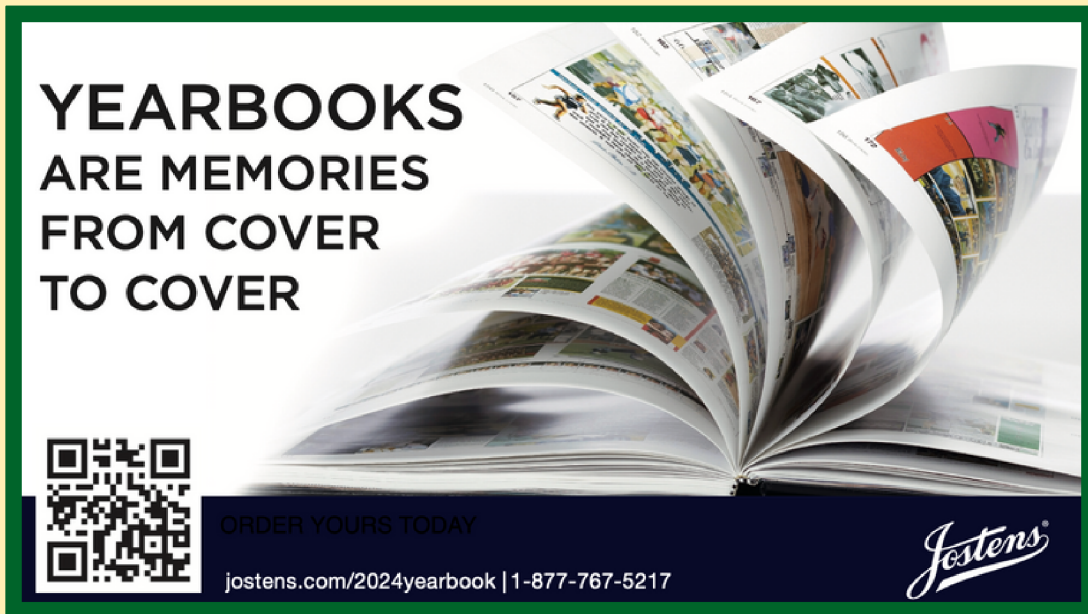
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