

# The Stampede



**Welcome to The MDE Specialist's Newsletter!**

*Did you like the comic?*

Austin, a 5th grader, contributed to our newsletter! If your child would like to contribute to our newsletter, submit a comic, interview, review or crossword puzzle to Mrs. Dixon, Mrs. Kaya or Mrs. V by the 20th of each month!

We are currently looking for writers to answer the question, **"What does MDE mean to me" or "I'm Proud to be an MDE Pony because..."** It could be 5 sentences or 5 paragraphs- we want to hear from our Ponies!

## MINI TALENT SHOW REVIEW by Parker N., 5th Grader

Friday, September 21, 2018 7:25 a.m.

**Act 1 was done by Giovanni.** He performed on the violin, playing Perpetual. He really knows how to play the violin.

**Act 2 was performed by Claire.** She also entertained us with the violin, but she played Hedwig's Theme from Harry Potter. She has great taste in music.

**Act 3 was done by Caitlyn.** She played the violin as well. Caitlyn played the Waltz. She showed real meaning when she played.

**Act 4 was done by Carter.** He played Linus and Lucy on the piano from the Peanuts. He is one of the best pianist I have ever seen.

**Act 5 was done by 3 First Grade girls: Taylor, Lila & Hannah.** They hula hoop danced to Let's get loud. They were crazy good.

**Act 6 was done by Alejandra.** She wore a super cute sequin dress. She did a super cool dance. She's an awesome dancer.

**The coloring page below was designed by 5th Grader Sophia A.!**

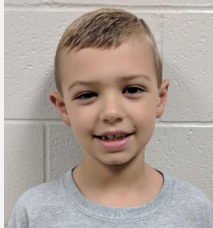
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## MDE

By Caden K.



MDE means a lot to me. My teachers have helped me learn so much. I have created lots of good memories with so many friends. It makes me happy to be a part of such a great school!

## Book Fair Reviews!

To me the book fair was amazing. I love all the choices of things to buy. My favorite thing I bought would have to be Amina's Voice or the Descendant 2 book or a diary with flowers on the cover with a crystal necklace.

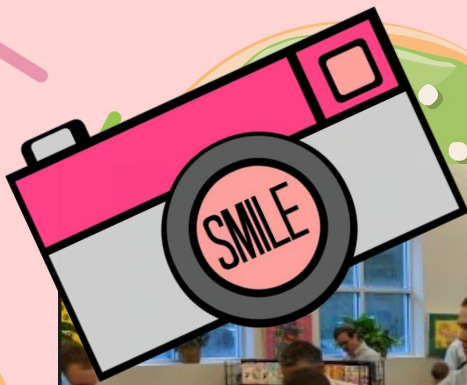
- *Lucie L., Fifth Grader*

The MDE Book Fair was a blast! We got to get drawn from a raffle, come for spaghetti dinner, after school with Kona Ice, and an awesome Dads with Donuts! I know everybody enjoyed it. Thank you so much Mrs. Veenhuizen for opening your library for us to come buy books! Thank you to all the PTA moms who helped set up the book fair!

- *Grant H., Fifth Grader*

My favorite part of the book fair this year would be the organization because all of the books looked so cool when they were neat! I think that this year's book fair was better than ever! I have only had 2 MDE book fairs, but this one was the best so far. Great job Mrs. V!

- *Gage S., Fifth Grader*



## Library News

Thanks to all who came out to support our annual Book Fair! It was a great success! We enjoyed our visiting authors, Alex Beard and Max Brallier in September.

In October, we look forward to our visit with Megan McDonald on October 29. She is the author of the Judy Moody and Stink Series. October is a great time to "fall" into a good book! Here are some suggestions for family read alouds from our library!

- *The Little Yellow Leaf by Carin Berger*
- *Leaf Man by Lois Ehlert*
- *There was an Old Lady Who Swallowed Some Leaves by Lucille Colandro*





(Above) Mary B.



(Above) Audrey J. Sophia A., & Georgia C. 5th Grade

(Below) Audrey J. 5th Grade



(Above) Jake A. Fifth Grade

(Below) Mazie R. and Parker N. 5th Grade





## Music News

Lots of fun activities are happening in the Music Room!

### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade:

We will begin Recorders in October! Does your child still need one? You can order one from West Music:

<https://www.westmusic.com/p/yamaha-yrs-24b-ivory-3-piece-soprano-recorder-wstandard-fingering-400295>

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade:

Musical Costume Information is now available. Let Mrs. Dixon know if you have any questions! Our musical "Groovin' With the Grimms" is Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup> @ 8:15 a.m., 9:15 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

Here's a Recipe Pic of ...

**"Mrs. Dixon's Almost  
'Pinterest Perfect'  
Ghosties"**

All you need are  
grapes, large marsh-  
mallows, sugar eyes  
and skewers!





# 50<sup>th</sup> NATIONAL PTA® REFLECTIONS®

For 50 years, National PTA's **Reflections** program has helped students explore their own thoughts, feelings and ideas, develop artistic literacy, increase confidence and find a love for learning that will help them become more successful in school and in life.

Each year, hundreds of thousands of students in Pre-K through Grade 12 create and submit original works of art in one or all of the available arts categories.

## 2018-2019 Program Theme

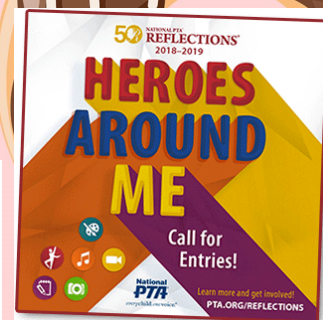
The 2018-2019 theme *Heroes Around Me* will spark imagination and creativity in school and at home.

Do you play an instrument? Do you like to create your own dances?

Well- YOU could create a song or choreograph your own dance, then record yourself performing it and turn it into Reflections! You don't even have to write down music notation- it just has to be YOUR creation- and you can use ANY instrument!

For more info, ask Mrs. Dixon or PTA!

<https://www.pta.org/home/programs/reflections>



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## Arts Categories

- Dance Choreography
- Film
- Literature
- Music
- Photography
- Visual Arts



## Lemon Shortbread Tart Recipe– Sophia A. 5th Gr

### Ingredients for Lemon Filling

4 large eggs  
1/3 cup fresh lemon juice  
1 1/2 cup granulated sugar  
1 tablespoon lemon zest  
1 tablespoon orange zest  
1/3 cup of butter, melted

### Instructions:

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.

In a blender, combine the eggs, lemon juice, granulated sugar, lemon zest and orange zest. Process on high, until smooth. Add butter, and blend again on high and set aside.

With a hand mixer, mix together flour and powdered sugar. When combined add the cubes of cold butter, and mix until it becomes a sandy substance.

Place it in a 9 in. round pan (spray with baking spray) and pour the sandy mixture into the pan, and press evenly on bottom and up the sides of the pan.

Pour the filling into the crust, then transfer the tart into the oven. Cook until the middle is almost set. Cool the tart completely, when ready to serve, sprinkle with powdered sugar on the tart! Enjoy!

### Shortbread Crust:

2 Cups all-purpose flour  
1/2 cup powdered sugar  
3/4 cup cold butter, cut in cubes



# Apple Crisp

By Jake A.

## Crisp Topping

In a large bowl combine, set aside:

2 cups all-purpose flour

2 cups packed brown sugar

1/2 teaspoon baking powder

1/2 teaspoon baking soda

1 cup butter, melted

3 packs of single-serve breakfast oatmeal

## Apples

In a large bowl, combine:

10 cups sliced, peeled Granny Smith apples

1 cup white sugar

1 T of flour

1 tsp of cinnamon

1/2 cup of water (use at end)

## Directions:

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.

Place the sliced apple mix in a 9x12 inch pan. Pour water evenly over all.

Mix the topping ingredients and crumble evenly over the apples.

Bake for about 45 minutes.

## Apple Trivia!

Johnny Appleseed was born in Massachusetts on September 26, 1774!







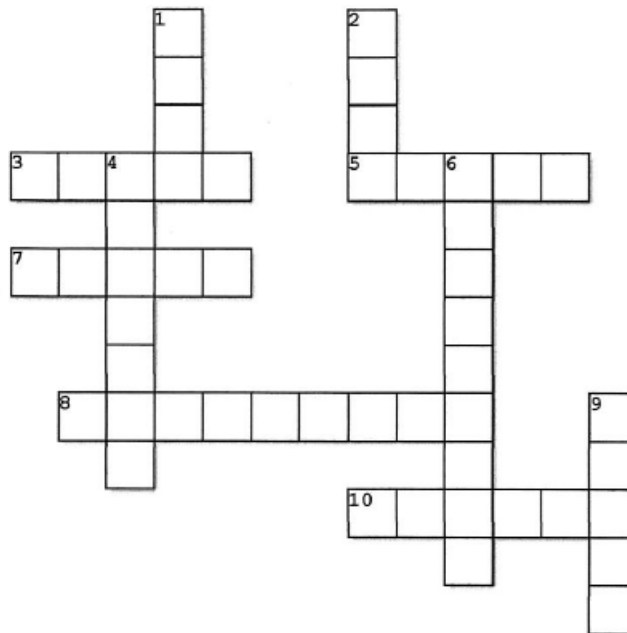
**The crossword puzzle below was designed by 5th Grader John B.!**

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## Music Instruments

Complete the crossword below

Name: \_\_\_\_\_



Created with TheTeachersCorner.net Crossword Puzzle Generator

Drums Gutar Key board Accordion Tuba Trumpet Piano Harp Violin Banjo

### Across

3. I have four strings
5. I have lots of keys
7. I have a snare drum
8. I am like a piano but not one
10. I use a bow

### Down

1. I wrap around your body
2. I have forty-seven strings
4. I have three buttons on my top
6. I get pumped back and forth
9. I have a circular head





# WELCOME 2 HEALTH FITNESS

Just a quick reminder from the Health Fitness team to make sure when your child is coming to health fitness, that they have the proper athletic shoes to ensure their safety in class. Having athletic clothing will definitely make their time in health fitness more comfortable. In addition, any students with long hair should have their hair tied up so it will not get in the way. We will also be providing hair ties in case the student has forgotten! Thank you for your support in health fitness!