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I am writing to inform you about a recent house fire that occurred in our Fromberg/Edgar neighborhoods, involving students from our Fromberg School. This unfortunate incident took place this morning and resulted in a total loss to their house, all their belongings and the death of two family pets.

Despite the quick response from the fire crews from Edgar, Fromberg, Bridger and Joliet, the flames rapidly spread throughout the house, making it difficult to contain. Thankfully, all the students were at school and no family members were injured. However, the emotional and psychological impact of such a traumatic event cannot be underestimated, particularly for our students who lost their house and several of their pets.

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the bravery and quick thinking of our local Fire Department crews from Edgar, Fromberg, Bridger and Joliet and as well as local law enforcement from the Carbon County Sheriff Department, Bridger Police Department and the Bridger Ambulance. Their immediate response and assistance in ensuring the safety of everyone involved was outstanding. I was in my vehicle with the families oldest son, Eric, one of my students and the crews had battled the fire and were rolling up the water hoses, so they could get on with their normal morning routines and leave the burnt home. He said, "It just doesn't seem real and they are helping us, that's pretty cool". So all the crews that helped this family, thank you, in Eric's words "That's Pretty Cool"!

Our school is collecting money for gift cards for the family, during this difficult time. Brandi Paugh and Kandy Pete will organize this task and purchase cards to help where needed, and present to the family. I know that the Edgar Bar in Edgar is taking donations for the family. The Tomahawk Restaurant in Fromberg is conducting a fundraiser this evening to help the family with a special Taco Tuesday night. Again, Fromberg Schools thanks our Edgar, Fromberg, Bridger and Joliet Fire Crew, Carbon County Sheriff Department, Bridger Police and Bridger Ambulance and Dispatch for your help, for our Fromberg students. Blessings to you all!

Blessings

Jennifer Hickok
Fromberg School Superintendent