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Lone Jack Students Celebrate Dr. Seuss' Birthday

Shown at right: **Aiden Saylor** (The Lorax) and **Levi Gibbons** (Ten Apples on Top) sported Dr. Seuss costumes as Lone Jack students celebrated Dr. Seuss' 112th birthday on March 2nd.



Aiden Saylor (Kindergarten) won a \$10.00 Bookland gift card, donated by the PTSA, during the free book giveaways. Levi Gibbons (Kindergarten) won second place in the costume contest, winning a \$10.00 gift certificate to the Spring Book Fair.

Bell Central Junior Beta Students Head to Nationals

A few weeks ago, the Bell Central Junior BETA club attended the state convention for the 13th year in Louisville, KY. Our club consists of 5th-8th grade students.

During the convention, we had students who competed in different categories at their grade level. These categories consisted of arts, crafts, and academic areas. This year, we had six students to place at the state level. These students will be traveling to New Orleans in June to compete at the national level. Our school was greatly represented during this convention and is proud of all students who participated.

State Convention Winners:

Kamryn Brock - 2nd place in Digitally Enhanced Photography

Shelby Cornett, Emma Gambrel, & Austin Robbins - 3rd place in Battle of the Books

Joe Goodin - 2nd place in Science

Bub Treece - 1st place in Language Arts

Beta Sponsors are Mrs. Trina Fuson, Mrs. Katrina Goodnight, and Mrs. Becky Keck.



State Convention Winners pictured left to right: **Joe Goodin, Bub Treece, Emma Gambrel, Shelby Cornett, Austin Robbins** and **Kamryn Brock**

Page School Center Cheerleaders Win First Place in Championship!!!

Page School Center Cheerleaders won first place in the district championship. Page Cheerleaders were also in the Morehead "Heart of Kentucky" Cheer and Dance Classic where they won 1st place in the Junior High Division. Congratulations Girls!



Cheerleaders pictured left to right: **Rachel Eldridge, Jaslyn Rutherford, Shalisa Miracle, Maggie Calloway, Katie Duffy, A.J. Hariston, Kamdyn Hoskins, Rachel Runions, Virginia Hall, Assistant Coach Chasity Wilson, Kaylee Lewis, Brittany Brock, Coach Ashley Sharpe, Gracie Calloway, Bree Ann Green, Chandler Brock, Allie Wilder**

Bell County Principals



Bell County School District principals were hard at work Tuesday March 22, 2016 addressing the issues associated with end of the year activities and preliminary planning for the next school year. Pictured Left to Right: Bell Central Principal, **Mr. Greg Wilson**, Yellow Creek Principal, **Mrs. Barbara Warren**, Right Fork Principal, **Mrs. Renee Howard**, Lone Jack Principal, **Mr. Brian Crawford**, Page Principal, **Mr. Will Lefevers**, Frakes Principal, **Mr. Terry Wilson**, Bell County High School Principal, **Mr. Richard Gambrel**

Superintendent's Message

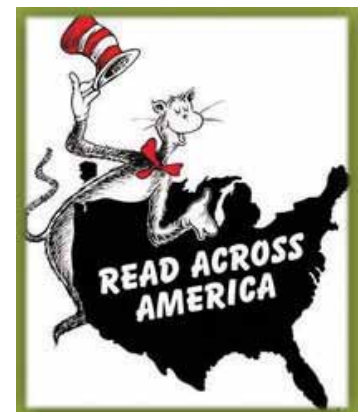


SUPERINTENDENT, MRS. YVONNE GILLIAM

Congratulations to our many local, regional and state winners in Beta Competitions, Governor's Cup, Science Olympiad, and several other academic endeavors. Successful students are usually a result of dedicated teachers. Thus, I extend my gratitude to club sponsors, academic coaches and athletic coaches that spend many hours outside the classroom helping students pursue their dreams and goals. Parents, these next two months we will be engaged in intensive preparation for the state assessment K-PREP. Our schools and our district are judged on how well our children perform on these state tests. Please help your child prepare for K-PREP by giving special attention to homework assignments and making sure he/she gets adequate sleep.

Our district goal this year is to attain a 70th percentile on K-PREP. Scores should be back by October. In May, we will conduct special board meetings to recognize all students who have received special recognition throughout the year. Last year we held two recognition ceremonies in the auditorium to overflowing crowds. This year I hope we have so many students to recognize that we will need to have three Special Called Meetings.

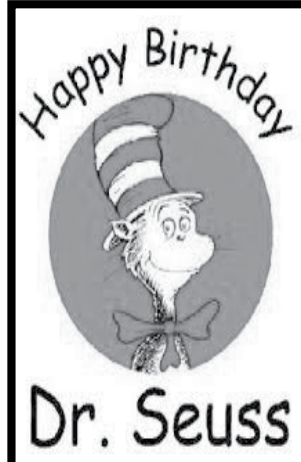
Our Board meets the third Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. You are always welcome at our meetings. I need your support and involvement in order to keep our district focused on children.



As part of the Read Across America Week festivities at Right Fork School in honor of Dr. Seuss's birthday, Mrs. Gilliam visited Mrs. Becky Collett's third grade class to convey her love for reading. While sharing one of her favorite Dr. Seuss books, *Oh, the Places You Will Go!*, Mrs. Gilliam brought the theme of the story to life by explaining to students that, no matter what challenges they may face, with perseverance, they can "MOVE MOUNTAINS" and be a success! Students were excited when Mrs. Gilliam left each of them a personal copy of this inspirational book. Students and faculty at Right Fork would like to say, "Thank you, Mrs. Gilliam, for taking time to inspire us with your message!"



AT LEFT: Mrs. Karen Miracle's class makes Oobleck like in Dr. Seuss' book Bartholomew and the Oobleck. Students pictured are: Dalton Jones, Ryan Elliott, Baylee Layne, Riley Monhollen and Logan Quinones



AT RIGHT: Lone Jack students (Preschool through 3rd grades) threw Dr. Seuss a birthday party in honor of his 112th birthday.



Lone Jack School Center students celebrated Dr. Seuss' Read Across America Week during the week of February 29th through March 4th. To kick off the event, primary students (Kindergarten through third grades) enjoyed an Author Visit from Tonya Moreland of Corbin, KY on Friday, February 26th. Lone Jack also hosted Dr. Seuss Spirit Week, in which students dressed up to reflect Dr. Seuss Books. Monday was "I Can Read with My Eyes Shut" Day, in which students wore shirts that you can read. Tuesday was "Green Eggs and Clothes" Day, in which students wore green clothing. Wednesday was "Fox in Socks" Day, and they wore crazy socks. Thursday was "If I Ran the Zoo" Day, in which students wore animal print clothing, and Friday was "Cat in the Hat" Day. Students wore hats and red & white clothing. Each day during the week, students were selected to read Book Talks during the morning announcements. On Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, each of the primary classrooms received special visits from community leaders, who read Dr. Seuss books to the students. The students enjoyed hearing the reading of 16 different books by Dr. Seuss. The Pineville Fire Department even paid the Kindergarten classes a special visit with the fire truck and made each student an honorary fireman by giving them their very own fire hat. Lone Jack School Center's faculty and staff would like to shout out a very special **Thank You** to each one who took time to read to our students. We

appreciate your dedication to show students the importance of reading. "It was a great joy to have each one of you," comments teachers.

On Wednesday, March 2nd, Dr. Seuss' birthday, Mrs. Melanie Mills, Library Media Specialist, kicked off Dr. Seuss' birthday with a dedication poem to announce his 112th birthday. In honor of Dr. Seuss, students (Preschool through 3rd grades) threw him a small birthday party. They enjoyed birthday cake from Long's Pic Pac and

fruit punch drinks. Lone Jack School Center would like to also send out a **special thanks** to Mike Long and the Pic Pac Bakery team for a beautifully decorated and simply delicious cake! Students sang "Happy Birthday" to Dr. Seuss and received a free book from The Children's Reading Foundation during the party. To accompany the books, Mrs. Mills handed out "Cat in the Hat" bookmarks. Also on March 2nd, Mrs. Mills hosted free book giveaways during every hour of the day. The books were donated by Lone Jack's

Family Resource Youth Service Center. Mrs. Mills also gave away \$10.00 Bookland gift cards every two hours. These were donated by Lone Jack's PTSA. Students were so excited to see who the next winner would be each hour! The library hosted a Dr. Seuss Character Costume Contest. Winners of the contest were: Madisyn North (3rd grade), who placed first place, dressed as Cindy Lou Who from The Grinch Who Stole Christmas; Levi Gibbons (Kindergarten) placed second place, dressed as the Ten

Apples On Top character; and Nathan Quinones (2nd grade) placed third place, dressed as The Cat in the Hat. These students received a \$10.00 gift certificate to spend at the Book Fair. To add to the excitement of celebrating Dr. Seuss' birthday and the importance of reading, teachers conducted Dr. Seuss rotational centers in their classrooms that students participated in. Students played "Pin the Egg on the Ham"; made Thing 1 and Thing 2 popsicle stick puppets; gave The Cat's Hat a new look by redesigning his hat; received a

Science lesson in making Oobleck like in Bartholomew and the Oobleck; designed a new book cover for One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish by using their own handprints; completed a Dr. Seuss Word Search, took an art lesson in learning how to draw "The Cat in the Hat"; and played Dr. Seuss Bingo. Prizes were awarded for winners of the "Pin the Egg on the Ham" and Bingo games. Free books were given to the winners!

Submitted by Melanie Mills, Library Media Specialist/Literacy Facilitator

Living A Healthy Lifestyle

The Family Resource Youth Service Center at Lone Jack School Center in collaboration with Christy Blevins of the UK Cooperative Extension Office presented a program on Health and Nutrition to the Preschool and Kindergarten classes. Mrs. Blevins read the students a story titled, Spriggles, by Jeff and Martha Gottlieb. Upon completion of the story, students made rabbit puppets which they proudly wore to show everyone their cute creations.

Submitted by Sheila Fuson, FRYSC Coordinator



Mrs. Christy Blevins of the UK Cooperative Extension Office works with Kindergarten students, **Landen Collins, William Hoskins, Aidan Saylor** and **Audriana Partin** to make rabbit puppets.



Mrs. Ferguson's and Miss Rivers' Kindergarten classes proudly showcase the rabbit puppets they made.

Lone Jack School Center

Read Across America

Lone Jack School Center participated in the Read Across America Middleboro Mall Event on Saturday, March 5th. Lone Jack hosted two tables, in which they gave away free books, provided by Lone Jack's Family Resource Youth Service Center and Dr. Seuss bookmarks and pencils. The theme of Lone Jack's booth was **"Who Reads? Lone Jack Students Read!"** The tables displayed pictures of students reading in various settings and reading events that take place at the school throughout the year. One of the tables showcased Lone Jack's Kindergarten classrooms. The theme of the table was **Oh the Places You'll Go**. Students pictures hang from balloons and explained what they wanted to be when they grew up. Russ Mills (Russ Mills Signs and Illustration) provided free Cat in the Hat caricatures at Lone Jack's booth. Kids, as well as adults, enjoyed the caricatures and kept the artist busy for the full four hour event. Lone Jack Faculty and Staff would like to send out a **special thank you** to Russ Mills for supporting our school during this event. Lone Jack's third grade students: Evan Heck, Gregory Hurst, and Elijah Gibbons performed a Reader's Theatre titled, **Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss** on stage at the event. They dressed as The Cat in the Hat and Thing 1 & Thing 2. Lyssa Goodin, Emma Lambdin, Kaylan Layne, and Taylor Layne (third grade students) also performed a Reader's Theatre of **One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish** on stage during the event. Lone Jack Faculty and Staff are very proud of these students and commend them on a job well done! Lone Jack's faculty, staff, students, and parents enjoyed the event, and were glad to be a part of spreading literacy across the community.

Submitted by
Melanie Mills, Library
Media Specialist/
Literacy Facilitator



Darcye Hensley, Assistant Principal, and daughter, **Madison**, give away **Cat in the Hat** bookmarks and **Green Eggs and Ham** pencils to visitors who stop by Lone Jack's booth.



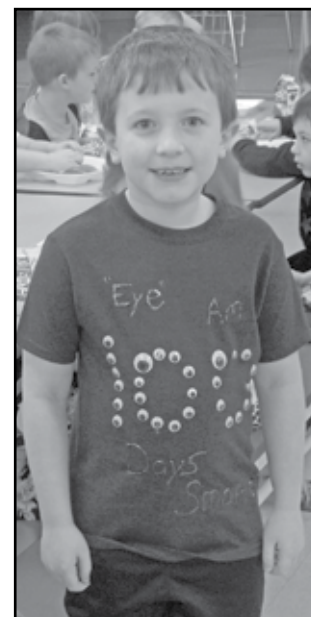
Mrs. Holly Vanover (Lone Jack's 2nd grade teacher) enjoys the Dr. Seuss/Read Across America Event with her husband, **Kenny**, and son, **Kasen**



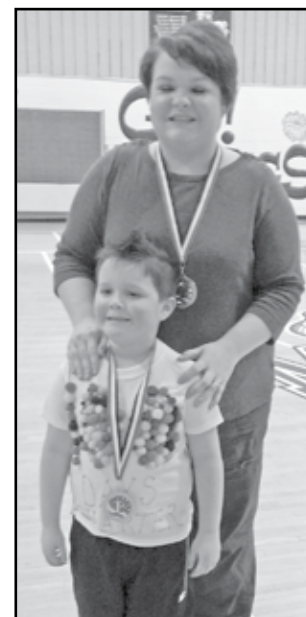
Mrs. Theresa Napier (Lone Jack Special Education Teacher) works Lone Jack's booth with her daughter, **Emily**, and son, **Jacob**

Lone Jack Students are 100 Days Smarter

Lone Jack School Center students celebrated the 100th Day of School on Wednesday, February 3, 2016. They celebrated with an educational fun-filled day of activities. All of the primary teachers (Kindergarten through 3rd grades) greeted their students with streamer door signs that read: "Get Ready to Party! It's the 100th Day! You're a 100th Day Smartie!; Ms. Staci's Class is 100 Days Smarter; Happy 100th Day!; etc. Teachers also sported shirts that read, "My students are 100 Days Smarter." During morning messages and announcements over the intercom system, Mrs. Kim Powers (Primary Arts & Humanities teacher) and third grade students led the school in beginning the day with the 100th Day Song. While the students ate breakfast that represented the number 100, Mrs. Melanie Mills, library media specialist and reading facilitator, (assisted by instructional aide, Mrs. Billie Fuson), read **The 100th Day of School** by Angela Shelf Medearis to the students. A 100th Day Parent Triathlon was held. Parents registered to participate in this event. Parents and students competed against each other to win 100th Day of School Medallions, sponsored by the school's PTSA. Each set of parents and students participated in ten events that centered around the number 100. Scores were kept by instructional aide, Billie Fuson, and presented to instructional aide, Melissa Helton, to record on a scoreboard for the audience to view. The ten events included: Parents read a 100 word story to their children; they competed in a 100 yard dash; wrote 100 verbs; found hidden pictures in the number 100; did a set of 10 slides across the gym floor; had a snowball toss with marshmallows to see how many snowballs their parents could catch in a can (10 snowballs X 10 tosses=100); balanced five dice on the end of a popsicle stick for 100 seconds; wrote Math equations that equal 100; Raced to



Second grade student, **Trevor West**, designed a 100th Day of School shirt, that read, "Eye Am 100 Days Smarter!"



Winners of the Kindergarten Parent Triathlon: **Ashley Saylor** and son, **Aiden Saylor**



Mrs. Kim Powers third grade students begin the 100th Day of School by singing a 100th Day of School song on the morning announcements.

100 with dice adding each roll until they reached 100; and students fed 100 Froot Loops to the parents to eat as fast as they could. Kindergarten parent, Ashley Saylor and son, Aiden, won the Kindergarten Division. Third grade parent, Thomas Heck and son, Evan, won the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd grade Division. Students made the number 100 on the gym floor to celebrate their great accomplishment of 100 days of school work! After lunch, students were divided into 10 groups to participate in 10 rotational 100th Day Centers. Students wore the 100th Day capes they had

previously designed in Mrs. Kim Powers' Arts & Humanities classes.

Students ended the day by celebrating their achievements and enjoying 100th Day Snacks: Oreo sticks that represented the number 1 and Oreo cookies to represent the two zeros in the number 100. Students also enjoyed fruit punches with their snacks. Students are looking forward to what they will learn in the next 75 days of school!

Submitted by
Melanie Mills,
Library Media Specialist/
Literacy Facilitator

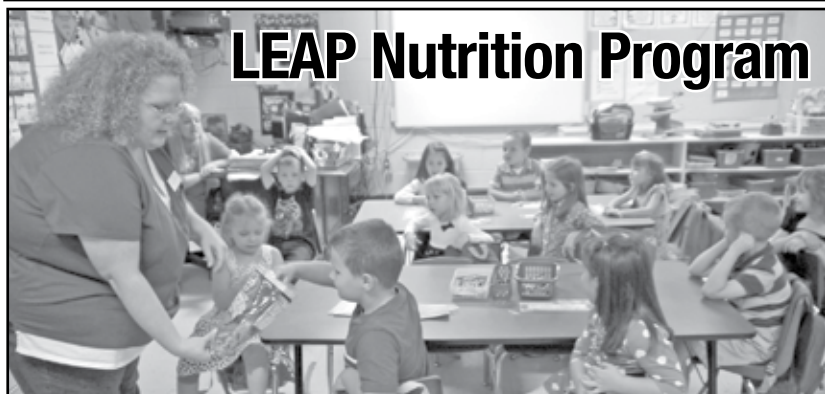
Homecoming



8th grade Homecoming is always an exciting time of the year at Frakes. This year was no different. The young ladies who represented Frakes School have been friends for a long time and represented Frakes well. The 8th grade Homecoming Queen candidates were left to right: **Allison Powers, Ramie Reese, Mary-Kathryn Smith, and Aubree Cupp.** The 8th grade Homecoming Queen for 2015/2016 was **Ramie Reese.**

Congratulations Ramie!

LEAP Nutrition Program



Christie Blevins from the County Extension office provides a LEAP Nutrition Program to the Kindergarten students each month. In December the students had a story read (***D. W. the Picky Eater***). Handouts with questions were given out and discussed with the students. The culminating event was for the students to try a different food that they might not have tasted before. Christie gave each student a piece of spinach. The students agreed the spinach was pretty tasty and some asked for a second piece.

Submitted by Linda Partin, FRYSC Coordinator

Robotics Team



Frakes School Center has a Robotics Team for the first time this year. The team has worked very hard on their missions and competed in a competition on March 19th in Berea.

Pictured from Left to Right: **Ms. Melissa Walters (Coach), Timothy North, Hunter Wilson, Gracie Hammontree, and Mary-Kathryn Smith.**

Taking a Lesson in Art



Ms. Lisl Jackson, a volunteer from Chattanooga, Tn. visits Frakes once a month or more to provide Art with the Intermediate students (4th-8th grade).

Pictured left to right: 4th grade students **Israel Maiden, Caleb Hurst, Ms. Lisl Jackson, Adena Schwartz.** At the top right side of the table is **Kaitlyn Green.** Ms. Jackson is showing the students how to mix colors and layer sand art she has provided for the students as an art project.

Submitted by Linda Partin, FRYSC Coordinator

Bears Read on Thursday

Frakes FRYSC, Linda Partin, and Parent Liaison, Jana Caruso, have been hosting "BEARS Read on Thursday" since September for students in Pre-School - 3rd grade. Parents, siblings, or mentors can read to the students from 7:30-8:00 A.M. in the school Library. Some student's take AR tests as soon as they complete their book while others just enjoy the family time. All students receive a free book when they leave. Mothers and fathers have been a big part of this early morning reading program as well as grandparents. Anywhere from 13 to 17 students get read to on an average Thursday.

Submitted by Linda Partin, FRYSC Coordinator and Jana Caruso, Parent Liaison



Grandmother **Debbie Hurst** reads to her grandchildren **Kyleigh** and **Ayden Lasley** each Thursday morning.

100th Day of School

The 100th day of school at Frakes is a fun packed day with a lot of activities planned for the Primary students. This year was full of activities in the classroom as well as a culminating event in the gym with stations set up. The 8th grade students assisted the Primary Teachers with the stations.

Submitted by Linda Partin, FRYSC Coordinator



Primary students with 8th Grade student **Aubree Cupp** stacking 100 cups. The fun was knocking them down.



Frakes School Center celebrated Dr. Seuss' birthday with a birthday party. Cat in the Hat (Ramie Reese) made an appearance and visited the students as they enjoyed their cake and drinks. This was the culminating event that ended a fabulous week of fun activities to celebrate Read Across America Week. Pictured above, left to right: Kindergarten students **Jordan Stooksbury**, **Sophia Scott**, **Autumn Green** and **Kelsey Jackson** with Cat In The Hat (8th grade student **Ramie Reese**)

Submitted by Linda Partin, FRYSC Coordinator

Congratulations to Serenity Villeda!!!



Frakes School Center's 5th grade students participated in an essay contest through AARP called "AARP Kentucky Grandparent of the Year". The essay contest is part of an initiative designed to recognize the significant contributions that older Kentuckians make toward shaping the lives and values for the Commonwealth's young people. A winner from the 5th grade was chose to represent Frakes School in the overall competition. **Serenity Villeda** was Frakes School Center's 5th grade winner. Great job Serenity! You made us proud and your grandmother even prouder! Pictured is Serenity Villeda with her certificate for being the winning essay in her school.

Submitted by Linda Partin, FRYSC Coordinator

"Box Tops for Education"

Frakes staff members, Ms. Betsy (Attendance Clerk) and Ms. Remona (Secretary/Finance) collect box tops two times a year from parents and Henderson Settlement. They trim and count the box tops, bundle them in stacks of 50 and mail them to a General Mills program called "Box Tops for Education". The money Frakes School receives for the box tops goes into the general budget. Thank you Ms. Betsy and Ms. Remona for all you do for students at Frakes! Pictured left to right are: **Remona Fuson** and **Betsy Hickman** counting the box tops.

Submitted by Linda Partin, FRYSC Coordinator



Welcome Mark Golden

Frakes School Center would like to welcome Mark Golden to our Frakes school family. Mr. Golden is a Nurse Practitioner who is employed through Grace Community Health and visits Frakes each Tuesday afternoon (timeframe may change). Mr. Golden is available to see staff and students when he visits Frakes and he hopes parents and staff will utilize his services. A Grace Community application must be filled out and on file in order for him to service anyone. Ms. Edwina Brock



and Brittany Fuson are also employed through Grace Community. Ms. Edwina is the school nurse at Frakes and Brittany is the school nurse at

Right Fork. Pictured are: Left to Right, **Ms. Edwina Brock**, **Ms. Brittany Fuson** and seated, **Mr. Mark Golden**.

LMU-DCOM Visits Frakes



Frakes students school wide had the opportunity to participate in a mini-lab provided by students from LMU-DCOM. **Jamie Scharfschwerdt** OMS-11 LMU-DCOM was the Volunteer Coordinator who organized the program with **Linda Partin**, Frakes FRYSC. The students had an opportunity to visit five stations, What's in a Drs. mailbag?, nutrition, exercise, germ prevention and Anatomy. The students asked many questions and had a great time. Each of them received a certificate of participation from Jamie. Pictured are the 7th and 8th grade students holding their certificates and the 15 volunteers from LMU-DCOM.

Submitted by Linda Partin, FRYSC Coordinator

Primary Students Rewarded

Students in Frakes Primary classes who achieved their AR Reading Goals for the month received a Valentine's Craft party hosted by FRYSC. The students had a variety of materials to choose from to make bookmarks and valentines. Chenoa General Store provided the snack for the students. Great job Primary students!

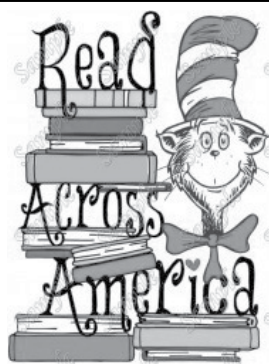


First Grade Students: (Front of table) **Harlynn Schwartz**. Left to Right: **Jaiden Partin**, **Mallory Griffin**, **Araya Womble**, **Peyton Knuckles**, **Noah Lambdin**, and **Logan Brock**.

Submitted by Linda Partin, FRYSC Coordinator

Frakes School Center

Read Across America



Frakes School Center participated in the Read Across America at Middlesboro Mall on March 5th. Free books, bookmarks, coloring sheets/ crayons, crafts and a snack was provided to mall participants.

Submitted by Linda Partin, FRYSC Coordinator



Frakes School had many planned activities for Read Across America week. On Friday, March 4th students could dress as their favorite book character. Pictured are: Intermediate and Primary students who participated. The students were judged using a criteria. The winners were: Intermediate student Wiley Jones (Robin Hood) and Primary student Sophia Scott (Sneetch).

Winners **Wiley Jones** (Robin Hood) and **Sophia Scott** (Sneetch)



Teachers, **Ms. Shana Philpot** and **Ms. Alicia Neal**



Mr. Wilson, Principal at Frakes preparing for Read Across America



Frakes School is super proud of **Kristian Daniels**! He is an 8th grade student who volunteered his time at the Middlesboro Mall Read Across America day. Kristian volunteered at Frakes School Center's station the entire time 10:00 – 2:00. **THANK YOU SO MUCH KRISTIAN!!!!**



Jamie Scharfschwerdt (LMU D-COM SOMA-11 Volunteer Coordinator) reading to 2nd grade students.

Read Across America week was a fun-filled week of planned activities at Frakes School! The week was planned to involve career theme dress up days with volunteer readers. Monday was Community Service, Tuesday - Medical Careers, Wednesday - Career hat of student's choice, Thursday - School Personnel and Friday - Community Partners. The students enjoyed the theme week and certainly enjoyed all the different volunteer readers all week. The readers read to each class Kindergarten - 3rd Grades. Some of the volunteers visited Pre-School after naptime.

Submitted by Linda Partin, FRYSC Coordinator



Jason Partin (Frakes Volunteer Fire Department/ Magistrate) read to Pre-School and brought hats to all students in Pre-School - 3rd Grade.

Career Week



Students enjoyed the career week theme at Frakes School Center. Pictured are students who dressed up for different themes during the week. The favorite day was when the students could dress as school personnel. We had several "mini" Mr. Wilson's in the building as well as other employees.



Fifth grade students have been studying mythology in their reading class. After reading different myths, students created their own myth explaining how day and night were created.

Submitted by Mrs. Sonja Partin, 5th Grade Teacher

Students in **Mrs. Tracy's class** purchased items from their classroom store during math class. Pictured are **Lukas Brown** and **Allie Partin** choosing items from Ms. Saylor's 3rd grade store. Submitted by Mrs. Tracy Saylor, 3rd Grade Teacher



First Priority Students

The First Priority meets once a week for grades 5-8. Students raised funds to visit "Christ in the Smokies" and the Dixie Stampede during the holiday season.

Mrs. Eldridge's music classes performed for the Talent Showcase

7th grade students: **Darrin Wilson, Aaron Elliott, Nevaeh Wilson, Abby Coe** and **Velda Smith** who sang "He Knows My Name"



8th grade student **Abbie Armstrong** who sang a song learned in class

100TH DAY OF SCHOOL

Mrs. Tonya Lefevers' kindergarten students participated in dressing up for the 100th Day of School as "100 Years Old." Pictured from left to right are: **Peyton Warren, Aubree Miracle** and **Tim Lewis**



Mrs. Tonya Lefevers' kindergarten class with "The 100th Man" on the 100th Day of School.



Ms. Leslie Brock's preschool class dressed up for the 100th Day of school as "100 Years Olds"



Students from **Mrs. Becky Collett's** third grade class demonstrated different ways to make 100.

Feeding God's Children

Feeding God's Children visited Right Fork School Center on March 4th to present a self-esteem program for all the students. The students were made aware of how important self-esteem can be through many hands on activities, power point, songs, and presentation. Games and activities were provided after the program for students. Sid and Shannon Kemp are the Directors of Feeding God's Children who supply food for the backpack program to our school. Pictured are the volunteers and FRYSC Coordinator, **Rosie Haley** and Principal, **Renee' Howard**



QUALITY CARE FOR KIDS visited Right Fork School Center to provide hearing and vision screening to students. Pictured at left is **Dan Gambrel's** 8th Grade class, FRYSC Coordinator **Rosie Haley** and Parent Liaison **Marlene Knuckles**

Right Fork School Center

Read Across America

During Read Across America Week, our students were treated to various special guests who took time out of their schedule to read to our students. Many elected officials, past teachers, and other various members of the community came. The teachers and students were very grateful and excited to have each of them in our classrooms. Readers not pictured included: Right Fork retired teachers **Bonnie Carnes** and **Sandra Baker**, Bell County Bookmobile and Outreach Librarian **Diana Anderson**, Bell County Jailer **Gary Ferguson**, Pineville Public Library Youth Services Librarian **Christina Partin**, and Bell County Family and Consumer Science Agent **Rebecca Miller**. In addition, **Charlisa Partin** from the Children's Reading Foundation delivered free books for all students in preschool through third grade.



RFS Media Specialist-**Susan Brown**,
Bell-Whitley Community Action
Agency- **Debbie Daniels**,
Pineville City Mayor-**Scott Madon**,
Bell County Sheriff- **Mitchell Williams**,
RFS Principal-**Renee Howard**,
Bell County Schools Superintendent-
Yvonne Gilliam,
Bell County Coroner- **Jay Steele**,
Bell Sheriff Department Chief Deputy -
Gary Lambdin,
Bell County Court Clerk-**Debbie
Gambrel**;



The 2015 KMLF Princess **Anna Katherine Bingham** read to **Mrs. Becky Collett's** 3rd grade class



Several students participated in "Read Across America" week by dressing up to represent a favorite book character or a person from a career field they hope to enter one day. The focus book was *Oh, the Places You'll Go*.



Bell County Circuit Court Clerk **Colby Slusher** read to Right Fork students for Read Across America Week



Brian O'Brien from The Big One 106.3 FM and **Caleb Noe** from WYMT TV entertained primary students by acting out various books by Dr. Seuss



Ann Stepp's 8th Grade class put on skits for the books, "Cat in the Hat" and "The Lorax" for the primary students during Read Across America week.



Right Fork's primary reading teachers and SFA Facilitator participated in the event "Grab Your Hat Read with a Cat" that was located at the Middlesboro Mall on March 5th. Pictured are: **Stephanie McCune**, **Laura Beth Bingham**, **Rhonda Collins**, **Becky Collett** and **Susan Brown**



A Team Cheerleaders placed 2nd in the County Tournament. A Team Boys Basketball team won 3rd place. We are so proud of each of these students and their determination to succeed in all they do.



B Team Boys basketball team placed 2nd in the district county championship and B Team Cheerleaders are pictured with their 4th place trophy.





RIGHT FORK'S MIDDLE SCHOOL ACADEMIC TEAM

Front row: **Coach Susan Brown, Emma Hoskins, Dalton Stepp, Chansé Belcher, Tristen Strunk.** Middle Row: **Carter McCune, Velda Smith, Tayler Simpson, Kennedy Carter, Madison Saylor, Eli Anderson, Ray Eldridge.** ; Back Row: **Emilee Hillman, Noah Caldwell, Dawson Widener, Blake Sexton, Josh Helton, Caleb Green, Hunter Johnson.** ; Not pictured: **Dawson Woolum and Jacob Miller**

Right Fork Middle School FPS Wins District Competition

Right Fork's Middle School Academic Team received a trophy for being District 81 Runners'-Up.

Ray Eldridge placed fifth in Arts and Humanities, **Blake Sexton** placed second in Social Studies, **Emma Hoskins** placed first in Language Arts and third in Arts and Humanities, and **Emilee Hillman** placed third in Language Arts. Students not pictured include **Velda Smith** who placed fourth in Language Arts, **Josh Helton** who placed third in Social Studies, **Tristen Strunk** who placed second in Written Composition, **Madison Saylor** who placed fifth in Written Composition, and **Caleb Green** who placed fifth in Mathematics.



In addition, the Quick Recall team placed third and the Future Problem Solving Team-**Kennedy Carter, Josh Helton, Emilee Hillman, and Velda Smith**- placed first. At

Regional Competition, the FPS team finished third, and **Emma Hoskins** advanced to state competition with fourth place finishes in both Language Arts and Arts and Humanities.



At Regional Competition, the FPS team finished third, and **Emma Hoskins** advanced to state competition with fourth place finishes in both Language Arts and Arts and Humanities. FPS Members include: **Kennedy Carter, Josh Helton, Velda Smith, Emilee Hillman, and Emma Hoskins.**



RIGHT FORK ELEMENTARY ACADEMIC TEAM

Right Fork Elementary Academic Team placed fourth at Regional Competition.

Front row: **Alexis Holman, Martin Perez-Almaraz, Gustavo Perez-Almaraz, Baylie Lovett.** Middle row: **Ashton York, Lacey Sexton, Chase Helton, John Ross Baker.** Back row: **Austin Goodin, Holly Brock, Leeann Sullivan, Kaimen Strunk, Coach Susan Brown.** Not pictured: **Whitney Sexton.**



Right Fork's Elementary Academic Team District Award winners who advanced to Regional competition. On the front row **Ashton York** placed second in Arts and Humanities and **Martin Perez-Almaraz** placed first in Science. On the back row is the FPS team-**Austin Goodin, Holly Brock, Chase Helton, and Lacey Sexton**- that won first place.

Elementary FPS Wins First Place in Region

FPS Team Members include: **Lacey Sexton, Holly Brock, Austin Goodin and Chase Helton**



BELL COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM
NUTRITION & PHYSICAL ACTIVITY REPORT CARD
2015-2016

Bell County
School System
Nutrition & Physical Activity
Report Card
2015-16



The Bell County Schools are dedicated to serving nutritious meals and providing multiple physical activity opportunities as a means of helping our students reach proficiency.

National School Lunch

The National School Lunch Program (NSLP) was conceived in 1946 as a "measure of national security to safeguard the health and well-being of the Nation's children." School districts receive federal reimbursement for each school lunch served that meets the United States Department of Agriculture nutrition guidelines. These guidelines promote meal quality while commodity donations help the farmer and help schools keep down meal prices.

Federal regulations require that we offer minimum portion sizes of meat, fruit and/or vegetable, whole grains/ breads and fluid milk during every lunch meal service. The portion sizes are designed to meet the needs of growing children and, as a rule, we increase the sizes as the children grow older. Only whole grains are offered at lunch and at least 50% of the time at breakfast. We offer a variety fresh fruits and vegetables every day. The menu cycle provides for variety and allows us to make the most efficient use of the donated commodities, especially seasonal fresh fruits. We offer 1% and fat free milk, as well as 100% fruit and vegetable juices.

The table below provides a synopsis of the lunch program, including participation and financial data for one sample month. (Nov. 2015)

Federal Reimbursement	\$117,098.10
# Schools Participating	7
Total Lunches Served	37,174
Average Daily Participation	2,066
Cost of Food Used (All meals & snacks)	\$130,458.51
# Students Approved for Free Meals	All students
Lunch Prices	Adult: \$3.00

"Promoting healthy and safe behaviors among students is an important part of the fundamental mission of schools."
School Health Index-Centers for Disease Control (CDC)

School Physical Activity Environment Assessment			
Program/activity	Elem	Middle	High
Provide daily recess	100%	100%	100%
*Provide between 90-149 minutes of physical education per week	100%	100%	N/A
Sequential physical education curriculum consistent with standards	100%	100%	100%
Students active at least 50% of physical education class time.	100%	100%	100%
Availability of before/after school physical activity opportunities.	100%	100%	100%
Offer facilities to families/ community for physical activity opportunities	86%	86%	100%

The data presented above is a summary from the assessment of our physical activity environment. In addition, each school has access to a physical education teacher.

*Students receive 150 min. per week during the rotation of the physical education classes. Physical education classes are not offered daily, they are in a rotation with art and music classes provided at each school center.

Although our District does not offer 150 minutes per week of physical education, we do offer 12 weeks of physical education and 15 minutes of recess daily. This equates to 5880 minutes, which exceeds the 150 minutes per week requirement.

School Breakfast

The School Breakfast Program (SBP) was established in 1966. School districts receive federal reimbursement for each school breakfast served that meets the U.S. Department of Agriculture's nutrition guidelines.

Studies show that children who participate in the School Breakfast Program have significantly higher standardized achievement test scores than non-participants. Children with access to school breakfast also had significantly reduced absence and tardiness rates.

Federal Reimbursement	\$68,891.81
# Schools Participating	7
Total Breakfasts Served	34,619
Average Daily Participation	1,924
Breakfast Prices	Adult Price \$2.00



CHILD CARE FOOD PROGRAM

A Federal program that provides healthy snacks to children receiving day care (Bell-Whitley). It plays a vital role in improving the quality of day care and making it more affordable for many low-income families.

Bell County Food Service also provides snacks that meet the smart snack requirements for all children who attend after school activities, at no cost to the children, as part of the CACFP program. Moving the At Risk snacks to this program has allowed more leniency regarding who can receive the snacks, with fewer regulations.

CACFP is administered at the Federal level by the Food and Nutrition Service, an agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The State education or health department administers CACFP, in most States. Data below for 11-2015.

Federal Reimbursement	\$2,935.80
Total Snacks Served	3,495
Average Daily Participation	393

Menu

Week of November 16-20

Chili	Hot Ham/Bun
Grilled Cheese	Tossed Salad
Crackers	Dip
Fruit	Fruit
Choice of Milk	Choice of Milk
Crispitos	Veg. Soup
Refried Beans	WOW Butter
Salsa	Choice Bread/Cracker
Tossed Salad	Fruit
Fruit	Choice of Milk
Choice of Milk	
Hotdog	
Chili	
French Fries	
Onions	
Fruit	
Choice of Milk	
All unflavored milk is 1% all flavored milk is fat free	

Grace Community Health Services provide our schools with quality health care services.

*7 Full-Time RN's (BCHS nurse serves Alternative School as well)

*2 Floating LPN's (also serve as admin assistance for data entry)

*1 ARNP currently hired; awaiting an additional ARNP to be hired

*Nurse Practitioner is at each school weekly

*Nurse Practitioner can travel among schools as needed

Physical Activity & Achievement

Schools play a crucial role in influencing physical activity behaviors. Sound curriculum, policies, and facilities create an environment encouraging students and staff to engage in a variety of physical activity opportunities. Evidence supports a correlation between SAT scores and the physical well-being of students.

Intense physical activity programs have positive effects on academic achievement, including increased concentration; improved mathematics, reading, and writing test scores; and reduced disruptive behavior.

-- Curricular Physical Activity and Academic Performance, Pediatric Exercise Science

"Protecting children's health and cognitive development may be the best way to build a strong America."

-- Dr. J. Larry Brown, Tufts University School of Nutrition



No Sales from machines or school stores take place until 30 minutes after the last lunch period ends.

Meals were served 18 days during the month of November. Child Care was served for 14 days.

Bell County Schools participate in the Federally funded Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program at Bell Central, Frakes, Lone Jack, Right Fork, and Yellow Creek. We also provide fresh fruit and vegetables for Page School and it is paid for by the District. All elementary school students have access to fresh fruit and vegetables almost every day of the year. This gives the students access to food items they may not get when not in school. By serving the items at break, this also means that students who cannot afford a snack are still receiving a nutritional snack before



Bell County High School Softball



Front Row Left to Right:

Ashley Lawson, Ashley Sweat, Kassidy Harrell, Allison Howard, Cheyenne Deaton, Bethany Miracle, Makaya Baker, Cheyenne Howard, Sophia Lefevers.

Back Row: Assistant Coach Ryan Garnett, Head Coach David Teague, Mackenzie Griffin, Tianna Christopher, Mackenzie Shackelford, Chelsie Frasure, Sarah Collins, Meghan Mills, Karlee Cox, Shelby Gambrel, Assistant Coach Kacy Denny

Not pictured: Gabby Taylor

PHOTO BY WAYNE MASON

Bell County High School Baseball

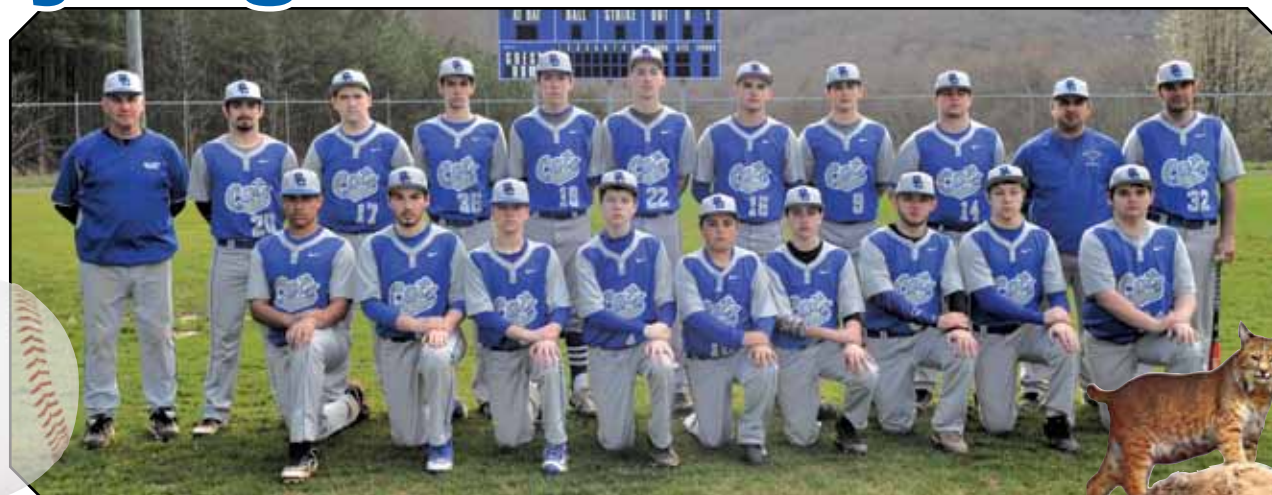
Front Row Left to Right:

Antonio Zachery, Logan Woody, Collier Elkins, Jeremiah Wilder, D.J. Estes, Jacob Smith, Jordan Wombles, Ethan Brock, Sam Lawson

Back Row Left to Right:

Coach Mark Elkins, Isaac Muncy, John Osborne, Victor Morris, Brennan Murphy, Cody Frazier, Peyton Collett, Jordan Smith, Chase Woolum, Coach Scott Chaney, Coach Earl Helton

PHOTO BY WAYNE MASON



Bell County Middle School Baseball



Front Row Left to Right:

Stephen Justice, Dalton Stepp, Tucker Hunley, Jonathan Weaver, Dawson Woolum, Carter McCune, Cole Hoskins, Alex Mays

Back Row Left to Right:

Coach Darrin Clark, Cameron Burnett, Chandler Mink, Terrence Hobbs, Hunter Clark, Cody Goodin, Will Dean, Hayden Clark, Hunter Bailey, Coach Ray Stepp

PHOTO BY WAYNE MASON

Bell County High School Tennis



PHOTO BY WAYNE MASON

Back Row Left to Right: **Genesis Adkins, Harlie Pannell, Jenna Hensley, Callie Pannell, Madison King, Sarah Howard, Gracen Callebs**; Front Row Left to Right: **Morgan Cornelius, Nicole Brock, Haley Hensley, Kayla Payne, Diamond Hall, Coach Anthony Hensley**; Not Pictured: **Sydney Jones, Lexi Greer, Hayley Howerton, and Izabelle Barton**



PHOTO BY WAYNE MASON

Left to Right: **Coach Anthony Hensley, Keith Roberts, Devin Moyers, Zachary Collis, Jacob Hunley, Dalton Callebs, Ethan Gambrel, Ben Bowling, Mitchell Cobb**
Not Pictured: **Taylor Nolan**



B.C.H.S. Introduces New Football Coach

Bell County High School welcomed new head football coach Amos McCreary to the Bobcat family on Friday, March 25th. The announcement was made during school to a small gathering of people in the high school auditorium. Coach McCreary has been coaching football for 37 years and brings with him a great deal of experience that will help ensure success for our Bell County Football Team. We look forward to football season and are excited to begin this new chapter at Bell County High School. **GO BOBCATS!**



PHOTO BY ANTHONY CLOUD
WITH MIDDLESBORO DAILY NEWS

Bell County High School Principal **Richard Gambrel**, Head Coach **Amos McCreary**, and Athletic Director **Tom Lefevers**.



PHOTO BY ANTHONY CLOUD WITH MIDDLESBORO DAILY NEWS
Coach **Amos McCreary** meets with B.C.H.S. Football players.



Cut The Net Basketball League



Lone Jack recently hosted a basketball league for students in preschool through seventh grade. Though the league was held at Lone Jack, it was open to students county wide. The league was originally set to last six weeks, but due to inclement weather, it ended after just four weeks.

There were eleven teams involved in the league. They included three co-ed teams for preschool through first grade, three teams in the second through fourth grade, boys group, two teams in the girls third through seventh grade group, and three teams in the boys fifth through seventh grade group. Coaches included Gemalee Money, Kayla O'Connor, Billie Fuson, Lavonis Miracle, Stephanie Bryant, George Edmondson, Jason Creech, Rebekah Brooks, Jennifer Wilder, Justin Brock, Josh Landrum, Jordan Turner, and Derrick Lindsay.

Students from Lone Jack, Right Fork, Bell Central, Pineville, Page, and Yellow Creek took part in the league. Players who were used to playing against each other got the chance to play on the same team. One player said, "It's really nice to get to play with your friends from other schools instead of always having to compete against them. It's a lot of fun".

The league was a fundraiser for the Lone Jack girl's basketball team. Coach Bekah Brooks would like to express her gratitude to everyone involved with Cut the Net. I would like to thank everyone who took part in our league. From our coaches to our parent volunteers, thank you to everyone who took time out of their lives to invest in our children. I would also like to thank all of our sponsors for investing into our community.

Submitted by Mrs. Rebekah Brooks

Expanded Dental and Health Services Coming Soon

Bell County School students will have expanded dental and health services through mobile dental units and a telemedicine station before the school year ends. Grace Community Health Center, who has provided school nurses in each of our schools this year, will be expanding their services by adding a telemedicine unit in the elementary schools and providing mobile dental health screenings and preventative care to PreK thru twelfth grade students.

Previously only students in PreK through sixth grade received dental care. With this new plan, students will still be seen by Dr. Kathy Lefevers, but services will be extended through twelfth grade. Dr. Kathy will bring the mobile unit into the schools where students' teeth will be examined, cleaned, and treated in the school. Any restorative work will still be performed in her office.

With the implementation of telemedicine, students will have remote access to a nurse practitioner even if one isn't physically at their school. Students can be diagnosed and treated without having to leave their building.



Through use of the expanded dental services and telemedicine stations provided by Grace Community Health Center, students will be healthier and in class more, missing less instructional time.

Dr. Kathy Lefevers and her staff are excited to bring this mobile unit into the Bell County schools starting in April!

Right: The mobile unit, which will be used to treat Bell County students in their own school, just arrived!



READY!
for Kindergarten®



The Children's Reading Foundation would like to announce their last events being held in the Spring for Ready! for Kindergarten. These events will take place at the Middlesboro Mall. Saturday, April 30th (Fall - Literacy and Language Kit), May 14th (Winter Math and Reasoning Kit), June 11th (Spring Social-Emotional Kit). Each parent training that will provide these FREE educational tools, training and learning targets will begin at 1:00 P.M. for parents of

children who will begin Kindergarten in August 2017 (3-4 year old session). Sessions for parents of children who will begin Kindergarten August of 2016 will attend these three sessions beginning each Saturday at 3:00 P.M. Free childcare will be provided for children 2 to 12 years of age. Two Spring Sessions of READY! for Kindergarten will also be offered at Yellow Creek and Lone Jack before the school year ends. Please call

these school centers for dates and times as they are currently being scheduled.

To register for any of these sessions, or for more information please visit The Children's Reading Foundation of Appalachia-KY on Facebook or contact Debbie Knuckles at 606-269-8293.

Information provided by the Children's Reading Foundation of Appalachia

Bell Central School Center Celebrates Read Across America

Bell Central celebrated Read Across America with daily activities the week of February 29-March 4th. On Thursday March 3rd, community readers came to read with Preschool thru 3rd grade. A lunch was provided for the readers and cupcakes and drinks were provided for the students.

We had a special visit from The Cat in the Hat, Thing 1, Thing 2 and even Cindy Lou Hoo.

We would like to give a special thank you to our community readers; **Justin Mays**-State Farm, **Patty Slusher**-Retired Teacher, **Brandy Calvert**- Bell County 4-H Cooperative Extension, **Valerie Goodin**-First State Financial, **Crystal Evans**-First State Financial, **Todd McGeorge**-Clear Vision, **Colby Slusher**-County Clerk, **Debbie Daniels**-Bell Whitley, CAA, **Teresa Hunter**-Bell County Health Department, **Lisa Baker**-Bell Whitley, CAA, **Kayla Carnes**-Bell County

Clerk's Office, **Gary Lambdin**-Bell County Sheriff's Office, **Mitchell Williams**-Bell County Sheriff's Office, **Brian O'Brien**-The Big One 106.3.



Debbie Daniels from Bell Whitley reading to **Mrs. Kristie Pratt's** 1st grade class

We also celebrated Dr. Seuss' birthday during Once Upon A Friday with a book give away and special prizes for those students who participated.



Parent Volunteer **Shirley Patterson**, **Clint Jones**, Volunteer **Lindsey Day** and Parent Volunteer **Mandy Maiden** with Kindergarten student **Kyleigh Allen**

Submitted by Lesa Straup, FRYSC Coordinator, and Marlene Knuckles, Parent Liaison



Left to right: Parent Liaison **Marlene Knuckles**, **Clint Jones** and FRYSC Coordinator **Lesla Straup**

Bell Central 5th Grade Community Project

Cathy Mills' fifth grade social studies classes at Bell Central have decided that real learning is a lot more than textbooks, paper, and pencils. They have been learning the best type of lessons which not only benefited them, but others as well. During their economics unit, the fifth graders were excited to become entrepreneurs themselves. They know that entrepreneurs take risks to open a business or create a product to sell in order to attempt a profit. That can be a tricky concept for 10 and 11 year olds. So, Mrs. Mills presented a way for students to learn by doing and challenged them to dive into a community project to help others.

First, the students entered a t-shirt contest in which they would become entrepreneurs. The students would be grouped into "companies" which would design a t-shirt to represent their school. The t-shirts had to incorporate a theme for Bell Central in which all students

and staff would be persuaded to purchase.

The students had to keep in mind that the design had to entice boys, girls, and adults of all ages. The winning t-shirt design would then be sent to a printer and then the t-shirts would be sold at Bell Central in hopes of a profit. The entire profit would be given to a local charity so that students would be able to help those less fortunate.

It was a difficult decision, as there were so many awesome designs! However, the winning designers were chosen. 5th graders **Madeline Allen**, daughter of **Angela and Waylon Allen**, and **Emma Gambrel**, daughter of **Kelly and Dan Gambrel**, were the top "company" winners. Their design was then advertised and sold by all 5th graders. In all, over \$550.00 in profit was collected from the t-shirt sales. The students decided to give the total amount to the Bell Central Angel Tree Project so Bell Central families could reap the benefits.

Mrs. Mills was especially proud of her students. "Not only were they able to help the community with their efforts, but they were able to learn first-hand about how economics plays a role in business. The students learned real life lessons about how a profit is earned once expenses are paid. They saw the work that went into the competition and realized how important advertising was in sales. They achieved a lot from this activity and hopefully we can make it an annual event and possibly go beyond the walls of our school into Bell County next year to find a charity in need. I'm a believer that students learn best by doing, by being active, eager participants in real life situations. I'm glad they all learned, had fun in doing so, and were able to offer their profits to those in need. It was a combination of many lessons in one."

Submitted by Mrs. Cathy Mills, 5th Grade Teacher



Pictured above **Emma Gambrel** and **Madeline Allen**;

at right - their winning T-shirt design.



Parent Workshop



Bell Central School's Parental Involvement Programs; FRYSC and Title I, Parent Liaison offered their monthly Parent Workshop on Monday, February 29th at 3:45 in the Resource Center. The title "Bullying in Today's World" was presented by **Jamie Ross** and **Kim Craig** from the Cumberland River Behavioral Health Center. Parents were given information on the signs and types of bullying and how to handle it. *Submitted by Marlene Knuckles, Parent Liaison, and Lesa Straup, FRYSC Coordinator*

The Bell Central Robotics Team competed on March 19th at the Regional Robotics tournament - Berea Bot Tournament. Bell Central was runner up and will be competing at the State Competition on April 22nd at Rupp Arena. Bell Central is the first school in Bell County to make it to state in robotics!! Go Bulldogs!!!

Submitted by Mrs. Susan Brock, Robotics Team Coach

BELL CENTRAL ROBOTICS TEAM



Front Row Left to Right: **Kamryn Brock**, **Grace Wilder**, **Elizabeth Black**, **Emily Smith**. Back Row Left to Right: **Peyton Hickman**, **Chase Huff**, **Coach Susan Brock**, **Cody Green**, **Glenn Helton**, and **Bub Treece**. Not pictured: **Gracie Gray**

The Bell Central MATHCOUNTS Team competed at the Regional MATHCOUNTS competition at Southeast College in Middlesboro. Three students placed in the top 8 in the region out of close to 100 competitors: Brennan Murphy 8th, Hunter Bailey 7th, Chase Huff 5th. Chase Huff will be advancing to the state competition in Lexington Kentucky. Front Row Left to Right: **Bub Treece, Abby Cornett, Hunter Bailey.** Back Row Left to Right: **Blake Ramey, Will Dean, Brennan Murphy, Chase Huff, Alex Mays.** Not Pictured: **Elizabeth Black**



Submitted by Mrs. Amanda Day, MATHCOUNTS Team Coach

Bell Central A Squad Cheerleaders



Bell Central A Squad Cheerleaders completed the 2015-2016 season finishing third place in the County Tournament. The girls worked extremely hard and represented our school very well. This group of young ladies is great both in and out of the classroom. Many of the cheerleaders participate in other organizations at Bell Central, such as First Priority, Beta Club, Academic Team, Robotics Club, and many more. **CONGRATULATIONS GIRLS ON A GREAT SEASON!**

Submitted by Mrs. Jill Ramey, Cheer Coach and Third Grade Teacher



Front Row Left to Right: **Julia Branham, Madison Ramey, and Elizabeth Black.** Middle Row Left to Right: **Brittany Bryant, Jasmine Brown, Sophia Browning, Stephanie Christopher, Emily Smith, Mackenzie Brown, and Katie Bray.** Back Row Left to Right: **Laurel Nolan, Cassidy Thomas, Madison Napier, Jessica Taylor, Grace Wilder, and Kamryn Brock.** Not Pictured: **Trinity Perry**

Congratulations Bell Central B Team Cheerleaders 2nd Place in B Team County Championship

Pictured left to right: Row 1: **Baylee Keck, Riley Allen, Morgan Hensley, Michaelyn Dye, Lily Nolan, Addison Slone, and Jade McGeorge** Row 2: **Kayleigh Dozier, Ava Lambert, Lauren McGeorge, Kamryn Burnett, Chloe Brown, and Savannah Wilson;** Row 3: **Jordan Muncy, Madeline Allen, Megan Green, Hailee Stigal, and Betty Stamper** Coached by: **Becky Keck** Special Thank You to **Melissa McGeorge** and **Mackenzie McGeorge** for all of their help this season.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE BELL CENTRAL A TEAM BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM!!! This group of hardworking and determined boys had an **undefeated season** as well as **won the A Team Championship!** We are very proud of our boys and coaches!!

Bell Central Elementary Academic Team



1st place Math - **Shelby Cornett**
1st Place Language Arts - **Shelby Cornett**
2nd Place Language Arts - **Meredith Allen**
1st Place Arts and Humanities - **John Saylor**
5th Place Arts and Humanities - **Madeline Allen**
1st Place Social Studies - **Mikayla Gambrel**
5th Place Social Studies - **Bryanna Ealy** (tied)
5th Place Social Studies - **Leah Asher** (tied)
2nd Place Science - **Austin Robbins**
2nd Place Composition - **Leah Asher**
3rd Place Composition - **Michaelyn Dye**
4th Place Composition - **William Holder**
1st Place Quick Recall Team
2nd Place FPS Team
1ST PLACE OVERALL
DISTRICT CHAMPS

Submitted by
Mrs. Susan
Brock, Academic
Team Coach

Bell Central School Center's Elementary Governors Cup competed at the Regional's on March 12, 2016 and did very well. We were 2nd overall (losing to a Harlan County School by only 6.5 points)! We brought home 14 medals and 4 trophies!!! Our Individual/ Team Awards went to:

- Language Arts- **Meredith Allen** 3rd,
- Math and Language Arts- 1st **Shelby Cornett**
- Arts and Humanities- **John Saylor** 2nd
- Social Studies- **Mikayla Gambrel** 4th
- Composition- **Leah Asher** 3rd
- FPS- 4th - **Shelby Cornett, Emma Gambrel, Mikayla Gambrel, Holly Gambrel, Parker Gibson**
- Quick Recall- Runner Up (lost in overtime in the finals- first loss in 3 years)!
- We won the Sportsmanship Award!!!

Bell Central Middle School Academic Team



DISTRICT 80 COMPETITION WINNERS.

- Composition Writing: **Hunter Bailey** 4th place, **Laurel Nolan** 1st place.
- Mathematics: **Abby Cornett** 1st place, **Mackenzie Hollingsworth** 2nd place.
- Science: **Alex Mays** 4th place, **Laura Osborne** 5th place.
- Social Studies: **Bub Treece** 2nd place.
- Language Arts: **Bub Treece** 1st place, **Raegan Robbins** 4th place.
- Quick recall team finished 2nd!
- Future Problem Solving was 1st!
- And the team was 2nd overall!

Region 21 competition winners:
Mathematics: **Abby Cornett** 3rd place.
Language Arts: **Bub Treece** 5th place.
Future Problem Solving finished 1st!
The team finished 4th overall in the region!

Submitted by Mrs. Amanda Day, Academic Team Coach

High expectations for Bell County juniors taking ACT

PINEVILLE, Ky.--Bell County High School (BCHS) juniors expect to raise the bar on the school's ACT score on March 1 when they take the statewide administration of the ACT, a test that measures college readiness in English, math, science and reading.

Through a partnership with Berea College Partners for Education and a national GEAR-UP grant (Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs), junior students at BCHS took advantage of opportunities to receive additional training to improve their ACT scores.

Skilled trainers from TorchPrep, a northern Kentucky company dedicated to ACT strategy and achievement, spent 13 hours with juniors since last fall--testing, training, and preparing students for the ACT in a boot camp-

like setting. According to TorchPrep, the company offers an innovative test training program that motivates students through rapport, relationships, and high expectations. The TorchPrep website claims, "Build with the student in mind, and you'll create change."

According to Cammie Brock, a junior at BCHS, "This course took the anxiety out of the ACT and put this

terrible test on ground level, so we can overcome it and ace this ACT to make a better life for ourselves."

Time will reveal the true success of these efforts. Students should begin receiving their ACT scores electronically within two to three weeks of the March 1 ACT.

*Submitted by
GEAR-UP Academic
Specialists, Cindy Brock,
Trish Long, and
Tammie Sanders*



Torch Prep Trainer, **Russell Proctor** presenting ACT strategies to students

Bell County High School Students Raise Food for the Bell County Animal Shelter

Pineville, KY: Abandoned animals in Bell County will feel a little more loved and a lot more nourished this winter, thanks to the efforts of two Bell County High School students, Amber Sizemore and Cole Raines.

The pair recently challenged the student body of Bell County High School to a dog and cat food drive as part of their leadership and service project for the Promising Appalachian Leaders in Service program (PALS) through Berea College Partners for Education.

Sizemore and Raines worked with school administrators, teachers and students as well as representatives from the animal shelter to encourage donations. Using photographs taken of

animals from the shelter to post in individual classrooms, Sizemore and Raines encouraged each Bell County High School class to adopt a pet for food donations. This emotional appeal along with Bell County High School's competitive spirit brought in more than 300 pounds of dog and cat food to be donated to the Bell County Animal Shelter.

"It's wonderful to see our students step out of their comfort zone to do something for the community," said Tammie Sanders, one of the Bell County High School academic specialists through Berea College GEAR UP (Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs). "I'm confident this is just the first of many meaningful projects these students and others

will bring to Bell County."

Sizemore and Raines are planning another service project in conjunction with the Bell County Animal Shelter for the spring.

Opportunities to develop young leaders through programs such as PALS are funded through Berea College's GEAR UP grant from the U.S. Department of Education (2011-2018) totaling \$149,408,000 (50 percent federal funds and 50 percent non-federal funds).

About Your Company: Promising Appalachian Leaders in Service, PALS, is a regional leadership team consisting of students located throughout the Appalachian region that participate in GEAR UP (Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness



Cole and Amber cuddling with kittens at the shelter

for Undergraduate Programs) through a partnership between local school districts and Berea College.

*Submitted by
Cole Raines and
BCHS GEAR UP*



Amber and Cole with the donated items

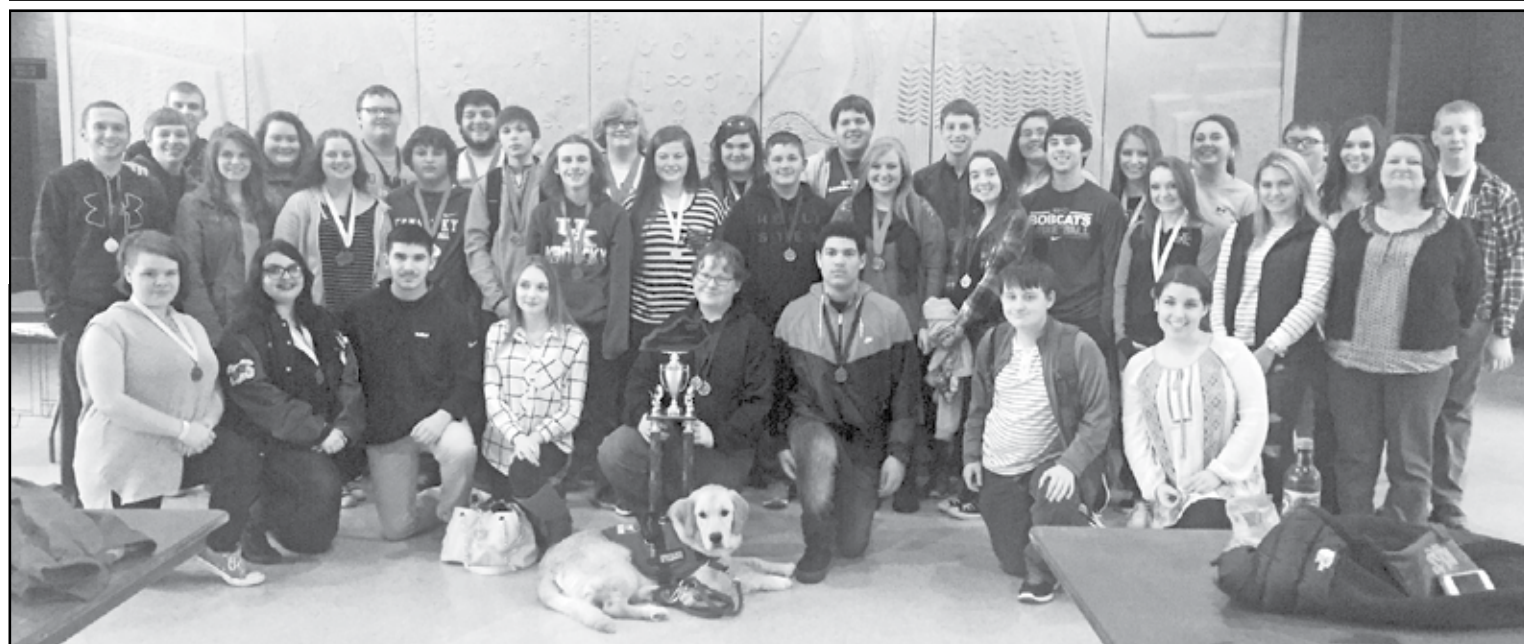


Exploring the World of Science

Bell County High School Science Olympiad Team won second place in the Regional Competition. They will compete in the State Tournament on April 23rd.

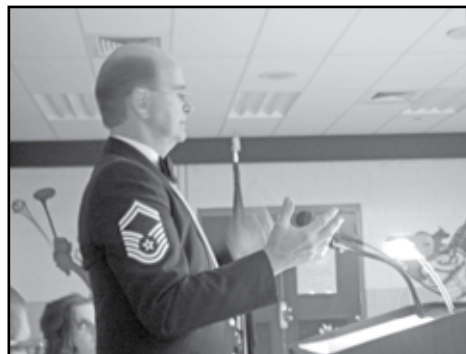
CONGRATULATIONS ON A JOB WELL DONE!

*Submitted by Mrs. Andrea Perkins,
Science Olympiad Coach*



Bell County High School

BCHS Air Force Cadet Ball



MSgt Vincent speaking

Bell County High School Air Force Junior ROTC celebrated their 23rd annual Cadet Ball on 20 February. The Ball was held at Bell County High School and attended by 50 cadets and guests. The guest speaker for the evening was, Master Sergeant Rick Vincent, 24 veteran of the United States Air Force and former AFJROTC instructor at Bell High.

The Bill and Jenna Voges catered a truly outstanding meal, and MSgt Vincent's speech was

engaging and inspirational. He spoke to the cadets about preparing for life after high school. After the speech, cadet Colonel Josh Richardson, the 931st Cadet Group Commander, presented MSgt Vincent with a small token of the Corps appreciation.

Another highlight of the evening was the naming of the Ball Queen, Princess and court. This year's Queen is Miss Klowie Ortiz, a junior at Bell County High School. The Princess is Miss Brea Browning, who is a freshman. Members of the court were Miss Danielle Nickels, Miss Courtney Crouch, Miss Ashley Taylor and Miss Jerrah Partin. For the first time, this year, a King of the Ball was also crowned...c/Captain Tanner Fox was this year's King, with Mr. Austin Jones and Mr. Cameron Miracle as runners-up. After these ceremonies, the cadets enjoyed an evening of dancing to music provided by Mr. Robbie Brumbach.

*Submitted by: Lt Col Barry Tanner,
Senior Aerospace Science Instructor and
MSgt James Browning,
Aerospace Science Instructor*



Cadet Ball Court: (L to R) **Miss Courtney Crouch, Miss Danielle Nickels, Queen of the Ball: Miss Klowie Ortiz, Princess of the Ball: Miss Brea Browning, Miss Ashley Taylor and Miss Jerrah Partin**

Bell County Cadets visit Washington D.C.

29 Bell County High School ROTC cadets visited Washington D.C. from 16 to 19 March. On Thursday, the Cadets visited the Pentagon where they received a great presentation by SMSgt Shawn Andrews (USAF), covering the architecture and mission of the Pentagon building, and the 9-11 Memorial. They then had a guided tour of the Capital building and explored the Washington Mall, seeing the Washington Monument, World War II Memorial, Lincoln Memorial, Reflecting Pool and Vietnam Memorial. On Friday, they toured Arlington National Cemetery and observed the changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. They then visited the White House and the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum. Next, they received a wonderful tour of the Air Force Honor Guard facility at Bolling Air Force Base. They concluded the trip with some time to relax



Cadets visiting the Pentagon Memorial to 9-11

at Washington National Harbor Friday evening. All cadets had a wonderful time and garnered experiences to last their lifetimes. Only one of the 29 cadets had ever been to Washington D.C. previously.

The Cadet Corps wishes to express their heartfelt appreciation to the Bell County School Board for approving the trip and the generous contributions of a number of businesses

and organizations in the local area that made the trip financially possible. Local contributors were Post 11139 from the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Chad Shannon State Farm, Tim Short Chrysler, First State Financial, and Walmart, Middlesboro.

*Submitted by
Lt Col Barry Tanner,
Senior Aerospace
Science Instructor and
MSgt James Browning,
Aerospace Science
Instructor*

B.C.H.S. Seniors Speak About Tobacco Usage

Bell County High School Seniors Taylon Baker and Alley Smith visited Bell Central on March 16th to bring the T.A.T.U. (Teens Against Tobacco Usage) Program. The T.A.T.U. Program is a part of "Kick Butts" Day recognized at Bell County High School in which students are made aware of the harmful effects of tobacco usage. The two seniors discussed with students the growing rate of tobacco usage in our county as well as the dangerous effects that tobacco can have on a person's body. Bell Central students were given pamphlets and information on different ways that tobacco affects not only the person using it but those around them as well. Taylon and Aly greatly enjoyed speaking to Bell Central students and stated they would love to go again to share their very important message.

Submitted by Samantha Wilson, FRYSC Coordinator



B.C.H.S. Boys Freshmen Basketball Team Wins First Place in the 13th Region Freshmen Tournament

Bell County High School's Boy's Freshmen Basketball Team took home the first place win in the 13th Region Freshmen Tournament at South Laurel High School. Sitting from Left to Right: **Bayler Lefevers, Ryan Lambdin, Dawson Atkins, Sam Smith.**

Standing from Left to Right: **Austin Daniels, Coach Nick Napier, Tyler Partin, Isaac Collett, Trey Brock, Ben Goodin, Sawyer Brock, Keith Brock.**

*Submitted by
Coach Nick Napier*



Read Across America – YCS Celebrates with the Community

Yellow Creek School Center took part in Read Across America the week of February 29th – March 4th. The week was filled with fun and learning to celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday and recognize the importance of reading.

Each day of the week had a different theme in which students were able to participate. Monday – “Fox in Socks”, students wore sill or mismatched socks. Tuesday – “Green Eggs and Ham”, students wore the color green.

Wednesday – “Wacky Wednesday”, students wore close backwards, mismatched, or inside out. Thursday – “The Cat in the Hat”, students wore their favorite hat. Friday – “Sleep Book”, students wore pajamas or comfy clothing to prepare for a day of reading.

On Friday, March 4th various elected officials and community members visited Yellow Creek to read to students. The students were very excited as the readers read some of

their favorite books by Dr. Seuss. Yellow Creek Faculty and Staff would like to thank all the community readers for taking time out of their schedules to visit our school. Your support for our students is greatly appreciated.

To bring the week to an end, Yellow Creek participated in the community event held at the Middlesboro Mall to celebrate Read Across America. Yellow Creek FRYSC, Title I Parent Liaison, School Principals, and Teachers

worked hard to prepare for the event and provide a fun time for children and their families. Children were given treat bags with various Dr. Seuss items in them and they even had the opportunity to have their picture taken and printed to look like their favorite Dr. Seuss characters. It was a great way to end a week long celebration of reading.

*Submitted by Patricia West,
FRYSC Coordinator, and
Jana Caruso, Parent Liaison*



Bell County Court Clerk Debbie Gambrel reads to Yellow Creek students.



Mrs. Fultz and Mrs. Dixon are ready for a day of reading!



Assistant Principal Mr. Trosper, Mrs. Lea Fultz, Mrs. Janice Dixon, Ms. Amy Hufstedler, Mrs. Patricia West, Mrs. Jana Caruso, and Mrs. Toni Dunn at the Middlesboro Mall event.

Yellow Creek School Center Celebrates Basketball Homecoming

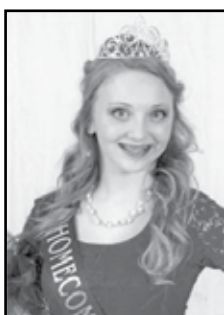
Yellow Creek School Center hosted their annual homecoming ceremony on the evening of January 14, 2016. The ceremony was held before the A-team game between the Yellow Creek Longhorns and the Right Fork Panthers.

Each 6th – 8th grade class nominated two candidates to represent their class. The 6th and

7th grades elected court attendants and the 8th grade classes nominated four queen candidates. The queen candidates were as follows: **Bailey Denise Guy**, daughter of Dean and Tracey Guy; **Hanna Lynn Gollahan**, daughter of Roy Seigler and Priscilla Buckner; **Mckenzie Samantha Mink**, daughter of Joshua Parks and Jessica Mink; **Adrea Marie Par-tin**, daughter of Robert and Mickey Elliott.

The 2015 reigning queen **Ms. Jeana Lee Fultz** was welcomed back with her escort **Mr. Peyton Chase Phipps**. **Ms. Jeana Fultz** assisted Yellow Creek School Principal, **Mrs. Barbara Warren** in crowning the new Yellow Creek 2016 Homecoming Queen, **Ms. Hanna Lynn Gollahan**. Hanna's escort for the evening was **Mr. Stephen Justice**, son of Mike and Jessica Justice.

*Submitted by Mrs. Beverly Gilpin,
Social Studies Teacher*



Mrs. Hanna Lynn Gollahan

100th Day of School Celebrations All Around

The 100th day of school is a great way for us to celebrate the various mathematical concepts that can be taught using the number 100. From the very first day of school, our Kindergarten classes at Yellow Creek School Center began keeping track of the number of days we've been in school in anticipation of the 100th day. It's this anticipation that is actually the first math lesson, as the days are often marked using coffee stirrers or Popsicle sticks, ten of which become a “ten bundle,” paving the way to counting by tens and ones. As a culminating event we celebrated the 100th day with an ice-cream Sundae party.

*Submitted by
Mrs. Shirley
Huffman,
Kindergarten Teacher*



Top Photos: Mrs. Pauline Dixon's class, Middle Photos: Mrs. Lea Fultz's class, Bottom Photos: Mrs. Shirley Huffman's class.

Yellow Creek first grade students have been busy bees! We have celebrated the 100th day of school by dressing like we are 100 years old with lots of different activities from graphing gummy bears to doing 100 pushups! We are now in the middle of celebrating Read across America week. The students enjoyed having several community readers come to read to them.

*Submitted by Mrs. Toni Dunn,
First Grade Teacher*

YCS Science Olympiad Team Heading to State Competition!



The Yellow Creek Science Olympiad team has been preparing for competition for months. The team competed at regionals on March 5th at Bluegrass Community Technical College in Lexington, Kentucky. They placed third overall in the region and will going to the state competition at Western Kentucky University on April 23rd. Names of Science Olympiad Team Members: **Olivia Lynch, Matthew Brown, Hayden Shackelford, Noah England, Caleb Baker, Grace Johnson, Jason McCullough, Hunter Gilbert, Jacob Norton, Andrew Kelley, Hannah Murrell, Hanna Gollahan, Kayleigh Mason, Holden Hendrickson, and Jadon Hall.**

Submitted by Mr. Paul Haley, Science Olympiad Coach and 7th/8th Grade Social Studies Teacher

Thank you to Feeding God's Children – A Blessing to YCS

Yellow Creek School Center would like to thank Feeding God's Children for picking up our school to provide food for students. We have a great need here at Yellow Creek and this program helps alleviate that. It is because of you that students who otherwise would not have had food for the weekend now do. The support and love you have shown for our school and our students is beyond anything we could explain. Thank you so much for your kindness and generosity.

Community Problem Solving Team Making a Difference in the Community

Students from Yellow Creek School Center have teamed up with The City of Middlesboro and the Bell County 109 Board to implement Project GREEN (Get Recycling- Everyone Enroll Now). This program has introduced voluntary curbside recycling in the city of Middlesboro. Team members (Andrew Kelley, Brian Banks, Olivia Lynch, Kayleigh Mason and Stephen Justice) have met at City Hall to take questions from the community and sign up residents for the recycling program. Members of Project GREEN have constructed an educational brochure, which they have distributed to Yellow Creek students as well as many city residents. Also they presented their project to the Middlesboro City Council. Just over 100 residents have signed up for



Team members **Andrew Kelley, Brian Banks, Olivia Lynch, Kayleigh Mason** and **Stephen Justice** with **Mayor Bill Kelley**

the project as of January. If you live in the city of Middlesboro and would like to sign up for curbside recycling, please call Middlesboro City Hall at 248-5670. Let's support our community through Project GREEN!

The Community Problem

Solving Team placed second in the state and will be moving on to internationals.

Submitted by Mrs. Robin Kelley, Community Problem Solving Team Coach and First Grade Teacher

YCS Academic Team – District Champions



PHOTO BY KELSEY GERHARDT WITH MIDDLESBORO DAILY NEWS

On January 27th, Yellow Creek School Center competed in the District Governor's Cup at Middlesboro Middle School. We are very proud of the hard work and dedication of our team this year. These students medaled in the following individual subject areas: Math: 4th place: **Kayleigh Mason**, Science: 1st place: **Andrew Kelley**, 2nd place: **Olivia Lynch**, Social Studies: 1st place: **Andrew Kelley**, Language Arts: 3rd place: **Ashton Burchfield**, Arts and Humanities: 1st place: **Olivia Lynch**, 5th place: **Jason McCullough**, Composition: 2nd place: **Ashton Burchfield**, 3rd place: **Kayleigh Mason**. Our Quick Recall Team placed first and our Future Problem Solving Team placed second in their events. In the overall district competition, the Yellow Creek School Center Academic Team placed first.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF OUR ACADEMIC TEAM MEMBERS.

Submitted by Mrs. Robin Kelley, Academic Coach and First Grade Teacher

Yellow Creek School Center's Elementary Academic Team competed in the District Governor's Cup at Bell Central. We are very proud of the hard work and dedication of our team this year. Our students participated and medaled in written exams in the following academic areas: Math: **Colton Scott** - 5th place. Language Arts: **Simone Henson** - 5th place, **Gage Reed** - 4th place, **Faith Ervin** - 3rd place. Composition:

Sidney Robinson - 5th place. The Quick Recall Team placed 4th and the FPS Team placed 3rd.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF OUR ACADEMIC TEAM MEMBERS!

Submitted by Mrs. Robin Kelley, Academic Team Coach and First Grade Teacher

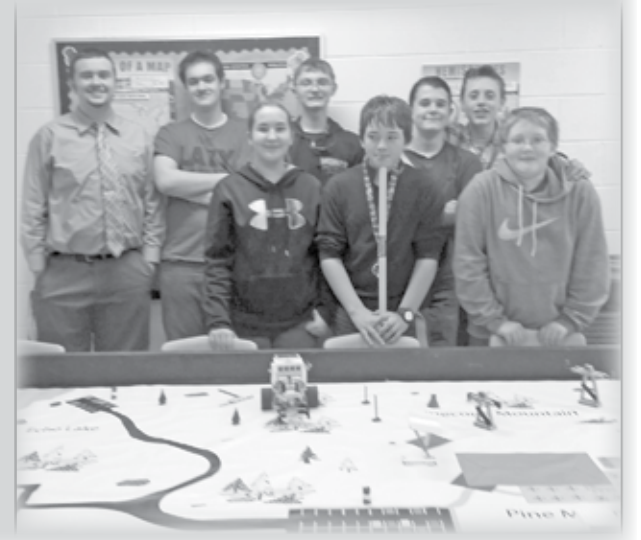


Robotics Team

The Yellow Creek Robotics Team competed on March 19th in Berea.

Pictured: **Derrick Wilder, Olivia Lynch, Hunter Gilbert, Jason McCullough, Jacob Bower, Jacob Norton, Matthew Brown**. Not pictured: **Kayleigh Mason** and **Brendan Delph**.

Submitted by Mr. Paul Haley, Robotics Coach and 7th/8th Grades Social Studies Teacher



Dr. Seuss' Birthday and Read Across America



Page School Center celebrated Dr. Seuss' Birthday and Read Across America Feb. 29th-March 4th. Teachers and staff promoted reading with tons of Seuss-a-rific activities and dress up days like "Wacky Wednesday." Page Library, Family Resource Center and Title 1 sponsored the parent reading event "Cookies and Crafts" where parents were invited to come read with students and then stick around to do crafts with their child. Guest readers throughout the week included **Jailer Gary Ferguson, Sheriff Mitch Williams and Brian O'Brien.**

*Submitted by Chasity Wilson,
Library Media Specialist/SFA Facilitator*



Mr. Lefevers and Mrs. Chasity read "**Green Eggs and Ham**" to Kindergarten and First Grade students.



Nadine Johnson and Hailey Sanders dress up for "Wacky Wednesday"



Jailer Gary Ferguson reads with **Mrs. Becky's** and **Mrs. Bonnie's** Preschool Classes



The Mills Family reads during the "Cookies and Crafts" Reading Event sponsored by Page Library, FRYSC, and Title I

Brush Your Smile

Christy Blevins, Nutrition Education Program Assistant from the University of Kentucky, Bell County Extension office, in collaboration with Page School Center's Family Resource Youth Service Center Director Norma Saylor, presented a program to the kindergarten and first grade students on the importance of brushing your teeth twice a day, being active and eating a variety of foods. Students were read a storybook "Clarabella's Teeth" by An Vrombaut and were shown the correct way to brush teeth and use dental floss. Each student went home with a new toothbrush donated by Dr. Brent Pursfull.

Submitted by Norma Saylor, FRYSC Coordinator



Ms. Sharpe's and **Mrs. Sanders'** Kindergarten Classes



Mrs. Carroll's and **Mrs. Cox's** First Grade Classes

"Masters of Oblivion" Robotics Team



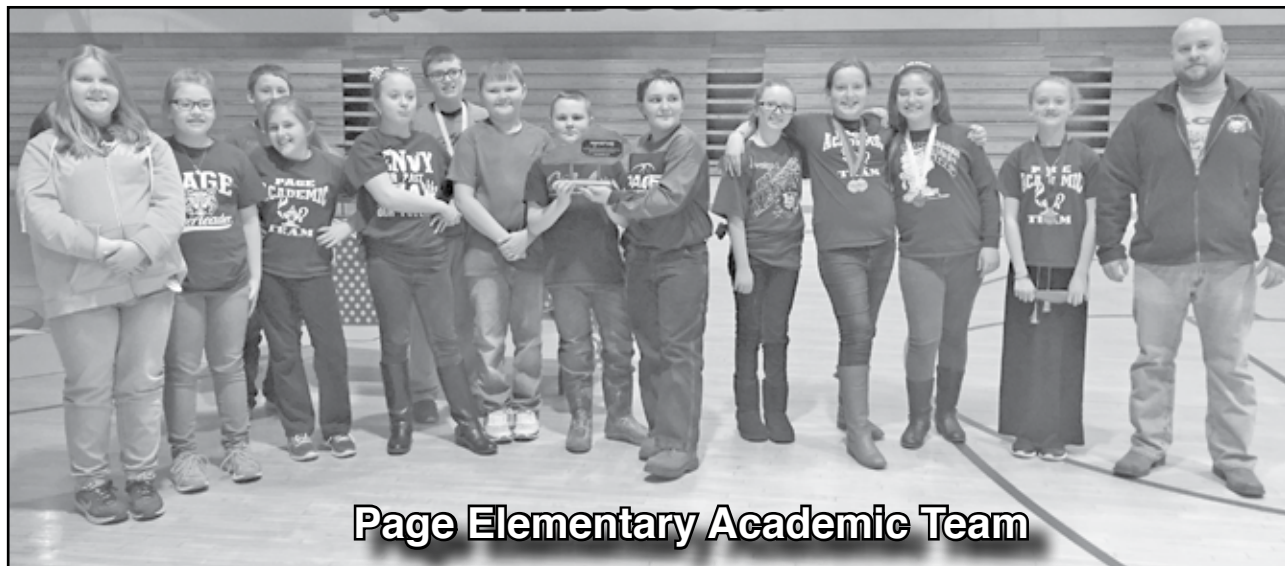
This year Page had its first Lego Robotics team. "Masters of Oblivion" recently competed at a regional tournament held in Berea. The team is coached by Chasity Wilson and Jason Stewart is the assistant coach. Front Row Left to Right: **Trista Hurst, Colton Howard, Kelsey Gray, Head Coach Chasity Wilson, Blake Collins, Caden Miracle, Kaylee Lewis, Noah Stewart;** Back Row Left to Right: **Assistant Coach Jason Stewart, Kennedy Miracle, John Perkins.**

Page School Center

ACADEMIC TEAMS

2016 was an extremely successful year for Page School Center's Academic Teams, and they have again proven that they are among the best and brightest students in the state of Kentucky. The Page Middle Grades Team won the District Championship. The numerous other team and individual accomplishments in the various Governor's Cup competitions in which they participated are listed below.

Page Elementary Academic Team



IN ELEMENTARY DISTRICT...

The Page Elementary Team placed 2nd overall in District and the Quick Recall team finished 3rd. Individual awards for that event are as follows:

- **Caden Miracle** – 3rd place in math
- **Alyssa Cox** – 5th in science and 4th in arts & humanities
- **Jordan Hall** – 2nd in social studies
- **Logan Hust** – 4th in social studies
- **Timmy Hall** – 5th in social studies
- **Madison Rice** – 2nd in Arts & humanities
- **Sarah Parks** – 1st in written composition

IN ELEMENTARY REGION...

Page finished 6th overall and individual awards for that event are as follows:

- **Madison Rice** – 4th in arts & humanities
- **Sarah Parks** – 2nd in written composition

Page Middle School Academic Team

IN MIDDLE GRADES DISTRICT...

The Page Wildcats are District Champions with the Quick Recall Team finishing 1st at this event and individual awards as follows:

- **John Perkins** – 1st in math
- **Noah Stewart** – 4th in math
- **Caleb Lefevers** – 1st in science
- **Kennedy Miracle** – 2nd in science
- **Colton Howard** – 5th in science
- **Caleb Lefevers** – 1st in social studies
- **Colton Howard** – 5th in social studies
- **Brittany Brock** – 5th in language arts & 3rd in written composition
- **Trista Hurst** – 1st in arts & humanities
- **Marcus Chaney** – 2nd in arts & humanities
- **Kennedy Miracle** – 4th in arts & humanities
- **Charity Johnson** – 4th in written composition

IN MIDDLE GRADES REGIONAL...

Page finished 3rd overall and 2nd in Quick Recall. Individual awards for this event are as follows:

- **Kennedy Miracle** – 4th in science
- **Colton Howard** – 2nd in social studies
- **Brittany Brock** – 3rd in written composition
- **Charity Johnson** – 4th in written composition



The Middle Grades Quick Recall Team and all the students that placed at Middle Grades Region advanced to the State Finals at the Galt House in Louisville, KY. Both the Page Middle Grades Team and Page Elementary Team are coached by **Mike Bolton**.

Bell County School District Receives Art Grant

Bell County School District was awarded \$3,678.00 for an art grant from Delta Dental Making Smiles Happen in Arts Education. As a result of this grant, all students in grades 3, 5 and 9 experienced a workshop presented by The Louisville Ballet. The performance was held on March 31st at Bell County High School. We would like to thank Delta Dental for this wonderful opportunity to bring the ballet to our students.

*Submitted by
Linda Lawson,
Science Curriculum
Specialist*



Bell Central students Kayleigh Cox, Madeline Allen, Grace Wilder, Kamryn Brock, and Brittany Mace

FRYSC’S Attend Rally in Frankfort



Pictured Left to Right: Sheila Fuson, Linda Partin, Rosie Haley, Samantha Wilson, Patricia West, Lesa Straup, State Representative Rick Nelson

FRYSC coordinators from all over Kentucky gathered for a rally at the State Capitol in Frankfort on March 10th. Bell County FRYSC Coordinators attended to help celebrate 25 years of FRYSC services and the overall success

of FRYSC programs as a whole. While in Frankfort, State Representative Rick Nelson met with Bell County FRYSC Coordinators and provided them with a tour of several areas around the State Capitol. Thank you to Rick Nelson for that.

If there is anything that our FRYSC Coordinators can assist with please do not hesitate to give them a call. Bell County FRYSC Coordinators are listed below:

- Bell County High School - Samantha Wilson

- Bell Central - Lesa Straup
- Frakes - Linda Partin
- Lone Jack - Sheila Fuson
- Page – Norma Saylor
- Right Fork - Rosie Haley
- Yellow Creek - Patricia West

Right Fork Teacher Mrs. Amy Woolum Attends National ECET2 Convening



Pictured is Mrs. Amy Woolum with Sarah Collingsworth from Iowa. Various teachers met in different groupings to learn about strategies they used or organizations they were affiliated with.

Right Fork teacher, Amy Woolum, recently attended the national ECET2 convening in San Diego. ECET2, Elevating And Celebrating Effective Teachers and Teaching, is an event which began with the purpose of celebrating teachers and the profession by honoring teachers and providing valuable professional development. Each teacher was nominated and chosen to attend the national convening, which is set apart from other profession development and educational conferences by being completely developed and carried out by teachers, for teachers. Mrs. Woolum attended a blogging session, as well as sessions with the Literacy Design Collaborative. Teachers were also put into colleague circles and other collaborative situations to encourage networking and harness the power of teacher leaders to strengthen their practice and increase student learning.

Submitted by Mrs. Amy Woolum

Bell County Students Celebrate

100
Days of
School &
100
Days of
Learning



Bell Central



Frakes



Yellow Creek



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Right Fork