CHEROKEE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Braves Win Kickball Intramural Championship!

Easton Metcalf, Avery Wiggins, Dante Serrano Jimenez , Ryder Price, Mrs Wiggins, Sam Lutz, and Isaiah Nickles.

Intramurals started this season off with kickball. Teams were made up of staff and students. There were eight teams competing for the win. The last game was between the Bubble Guppies and Braves, with the Braves clinching the win by scoring seven runs in the final inning. The final score was 23-22.

The next intramural sport will be Nitro Ball. Nitro-Ball is an inverted version of volleyball. The Nitro-Ball is larger than a standard volleyball but has the same weight, providing a friendly, lightweight feel for students. The net is lower to the ground and the ball needs to bounce off the court before going over the net.

Signups have begun for our spring sport of Nitro Ball. If you are interested in signing up, you can find permission slips and team signups in front of the gym. Nitro ball signups are due by Wednesday December 20th

Girls on the Run was so much fun! - Whoop whoop! The Cherokee Girls on the Run team rocked the 2023 Fall Season Celebratory 5K race at ETSU, leaving a trail of stardust behind! These girls were unstoppable, practicing like champs and bagging a shiny Second Place. What an achievement! Check out the awesome squad pic above, featuring the unstoppable Sophie Perrin, Krislee Brunson, Mae Marcus, Laurel Cooper, Gracie Huff, Ava Johns, Cora Gilham, Victoria Willis, Sophia Clement, Makayla Lovelace, Lakyn Edwards, Kaylee Damian Castro, and their ace coaches.

Calendar of Events

Dec 1
Kickball Semi Finalists
Dec 4
School Board Meeting @6pm
Dec 6
Faculty Meeting
Dec 8
Kickball Championship
Fa-la-la #1
Dec 11
Writing Checkpoint
4H Meeting @3:15pm
Dec 12
ELA Checkpoint
Dec 13
Math Checkpoint
Dec 14
Science Checkpoint
Dec 15
Reading Celebration Europe
Fa-la-la #2
Dec 20
Winter Break Begins! 1/2 day
Dec 25
Christmas
Dec 31
New Year's Eve
Jan 1
New Year's Day
Jan 3
Admin Day No School for Students
Jan 4
Classes start
Jan 7
School Board Meeting @6pm
Jan 8
Grades Due
Jan 10
Report Cards go home
Jan 15
Martin Luther King Jr Day - No School
Jan 16
Grade Level Meetings
Jan 17
RTI Meetings
Site-Base Meeting @3:45
Jan 29
4H Meeting @3:15

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Catching Up with... Mrs. Miller

Mrs Miller *Photo by S Pugh*

Interviewed by Tripp Thomas

Continuing with our staff interviews, we were able to talk with Mrs. Miller our school's counselor. Here are some of her responses.

Q: How long have you worked in the school?
A: Since 2002

Q. What made you decide to be school counselor?
A: I wanted to work with students and help them reach their goals.

Q: What is your favorite food?
A: I like seafood the best..fish, shrimp, scallops, lobster, crab, basically any kind of seafood.

Q: What are your favorite things to do at school?
A:Work with students in groups, classes and individually.

Q: What book are you reading or what is your favorite book?
A: My favorite books are by Jan Karon the Mitford Series. I read them long ago and at times when I really want to relax, I go back to them and read parts again.

Q: What do you like to do when you are not at school?
A: I am active in my church, I spend a lot of time with my dog Riley, who is a shih tzu, with my husband, and my family. My best friend is my sister and I love spending time with her. I enjoy swimming, I love to read, and I enjoy spending some quiet time alone relaxing.

Q: What is your favorite thing about Cherokee?
A: The students, the staff, and the families.

Q: Is there anything that you would like to share with our readers?
A: I enjoy being a school counselor, working at Cherokee and spending time with students.

Look for other staff interviews in our later editions.

A Guide to Crafting A New Year's Resolution

Making a New Year's resolution can be a great way for elementary kids to set goals and work towards achieving them.

Here are some tips to help your child create a meaningful resolution:

• Make it specific: Encourage your child to choose a specific goal rather than a vague one. For example, instead of "I want to get better at math," they could say "I want to improve my multiplication skills."

• Keep it realistic: Help your child set a goal that is achievable and within their control. They should feel challenged, but not overwhelmed.

• Write it down: Have your child write down their resolution and put it in a place where they can see it every day. This will help remind them of their goal and keep them motivated.

• Break it down: Breaking down the goal into smaller, manageable steps can help your child stay focused and make progress.

• Celebrate progress: Encourage your child to celebrate their progress along the way. This will help them stay motivated and feel proud of their accomplishments.

Remember, making a New Year's resolution is a fun way for kids to set goals and work towards achieving them. With a little guidance and encouragement, your child can create a meaningful resolution and start the new year off on the right foot.

Thank you for reading the

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Fifth grade students, student parents and teachers had a great time at Camp Explore. *Photo by R.Pugh*

Fifth Grade Camp Explore Adventure

Gracie Thomas *Photo by R.Pugh*

Freddy Domingo Rosas, Maston Hayes, Karmen Roop, Sofia Carr and Zachary Church learn about native species. *Photo by R.Pugh*

Kaylee Damian Castro and Ashley Varela Barahona learn about snakes. *Photo by R.Pugh*

Building the strongest structure, pictured left to right, Gabe Archeval, Peyton Hanlon, Nickolaus Gentry and Dean Atchely. *Photo by R.Pugh*

How To Make A Homemade Gingerbread House for the Holidays

By: Mary Boone

This is the time of year that many people like to make fun edible decorations. Here are instructions on how to make your own.

You will need:
Graham crackers
Frosting
Any of your favorite candy

Step 1: Put all the frosting in a Zip-lock bag and cut a tiny slit in one of the bottom corners so you can squeeze the frosting out.

Step 2: Make a house shape with the gram crackers and glue the walls together with the frosting.

Step 3: Decorate your gingerbread house with any candy you want, and you can put more frosting to make the candy stick if you want to.

Step 4: Enjoy your creation throughout your holiday festivities.

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Q: Whats a christmas trees favorite candy?
A: Orna MINT

Q: What says oh oh oh?
A: Santa going backwards.

Q: What do you tell someone you didn't see on New Year's Eve?
A: I haven't seen you for a year!

Q: What do snowmen like to do on New Year's Eve?
A: Chill out!

Q: My resolution was to read more...
A: So I put the subtitles on my TV.

Q: Why was the little snowman sad?
A: Cause he had a meltdown.

Q: What do snowmen eat for breakfast?
A: Frosted Flakes.

Q: What kind of ball doesn't bounce?
A: A snowball.

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BALL DROP, CELEBRATION, CHEERS, CALENDAR, MIDNIGHT, CONFETTI, COUNTDOWN, DECEMBER, NEW YEARS EVE, FAMILY, SNOWFLAKE, FRIENDS, HOLIDAY, JANUARY, NOISEMAKER, PARTY, RESOLUTION, NEW YORK, WINTER, TIMES SQUARE

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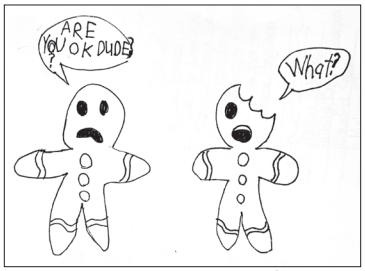

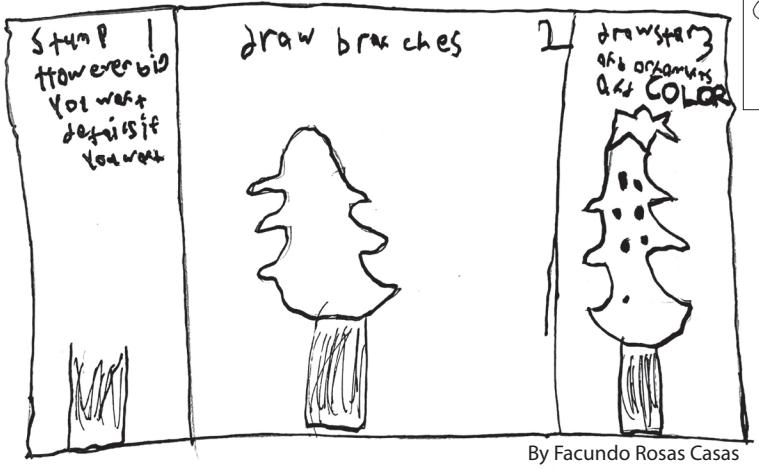

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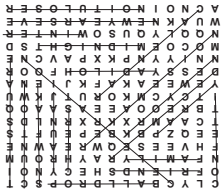

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