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The Wilds and Columbus Zoo and Aquarium made a visit to Morgan South

South Elementary hosted a visit from the traveling team who brought many animals to 'awe' and 'wow' the students. The students listened and watched as presenters informed us about the animals' habitats, needs, and behaviors. A few delights of amazement were the bird of prey, the kookaburra, the penguin, and especially, the cheetah.



The Parrot captivated the students and staff at South Elementary.



This striped skunk is a nocturnal mammal and is one of the 9 species found in the Western Hemisphere.



Above: The Columbus Zoo showed off one of the 49 species of tortoises. To the left: The weasel looks out at the students from his tree podium. To the right: South Elementary students got a first hand look at a porcupine.



The Parrot is flying to his handler to get a snack.



MORGAN HIGH SCHOOL

Morgan High School Drama Club went to Muskingum University's production of *Anne of Green Gables*.



Students pictured below left to right: Front Row: Reese Azbell, Zaionna Caldwell, and Blaize May. Second Row: Maranda Willis, Maddie Penrod, Jenae' Day, Isabella Kirk-Gulley, Taysha Mayle, Jozlynn Gorrell, Abigail Griffin, Aleah Bogue, Hannah Chapman, Klaire Cain, Kenzie Kovaleski, Julianna Jackson, and Brennen Tigner. Third Row: Corbin, Griesmyer, Rachel Keller, Emily Carletti, MacKenzie VanNess, Marleen Achtzehn, and Torri Kempton. Fourth Row: Samuel Yoder, Ki Jones, Camille Gillespie and Jenna Jackson.



Morgan High School Drama Club students dressed in character and participated in the Heritage Days on "The Square" on Saturday, October 16. Pictured above from left to right: Brennen Tigner, Maranda Willis, Mackenzie VanNess, Abbi Griffin, Blaize May, Marleen Achtzehn, and Aleah Bogue.



Thomas Heppner retires after many years at Morgan Local.

After teaching at Morgan High School for decades, Mr. Heppner spent almost two decades in the IT Department. On December 17, 2021, Mr. Heppner retired. Morgan Local School District would like to wish Mr. Heppner an enjoyable retirement.



Pictured above left to right: Brennen Tigner, Aleah Bogue, Abbi Griffin, Maranda Willis, Mackenzie VanNess, Blaize May, and Marleen Achtzehn.



MORGAN HIGH SCHOOL



Annual Fall Celebration of the Morgan Raiders Senior Night at CJ's Restaurant in Stockport. Thanks to Carolyn Schramm and her staff for their many years of supporting Morgan High School athletes. Her restaurant displays RAIDER PRIDE.

Cheerleaders and football players enjoy a family cooked meal and friendship.



Fall athletes line up for the Senior Night meal. After the meal, the Coaches and Athletes pose for a photo before heading to the field.



Members of the Morgan High School Machine Trades designed and built the Christmas Tree with 150 foot of steel. With the help of Morgan High School Cosmetology members and the Morgan High School Art classes, the tree was decorated with 400 feet of green garland, 50 feet of red garland, 50 feet of gold garland, and 50 feet of silver, 500 clear white lights, snowflakes and little Santa bag ornaments. The tree is topped with a plasma star topper.



Morgan High School Industrial Robotics class participant in Team Rex Hat Day. Money is being raised for a local teacher and her family for medical expenses. Pictured in the first row left to right: Ziolet Harmon, Logan Anderson and Mr. Robbins. Second row left to right: Eli Smith, Tanner Campbell, Robert Kunze, Remi Rush, Chase Dunham, and Cooper Burnside.



Members of the Morgan High School National Honor Society and Student Council collected letters to Santa during the Annual Christmas Parade. The members take the collected letters and write replies back to the children from Santa's Elves. Pictured left to right: Ellie Parsons, Paige Lanning, Elliott Voytko, Elijah Burkhart, Eloise Voytko, Evelyn Newton, Katie Hook, Paige Gorrell, Kierstyn Hopkins, and Kenzie Zumbro.

MORGAN JUNIOR HIGH



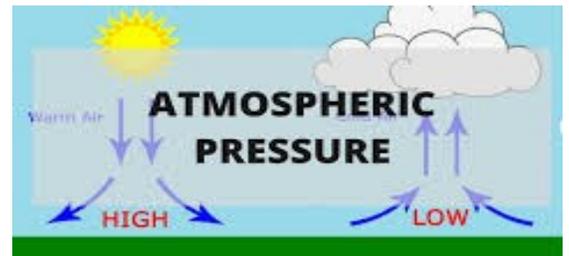
Morgan Junior High held a canned food drive in December to donate to the Morgan County United Ministries Food Pantry. We collected 700 cans in this effort. Mrs. Miller's class counted the cans every day and kept the student body informed of our progress. Pictured below are students in Mrs. Miller's class. The bottom row from left to right: Devon Williams and Dylan Garrett. Top row from left to right: Koledin Wogan and Shianna Duncan.



Seth is an Inspiration to everyone he meets.



Seth Dille, of McConnelsville, recently shared his story of overcoming adversity with Morgan Junior High School students. He has had a "NEVER GIVE UP" attitude his entire life. Seth was diagnosed with Cerebral Palsy at an early age and has faced numerous challenges. Seth is a 2006 graduate of Morgan High School. While a student of Morgan Local School District, Seth played Soccer and ran Track. Seth's story is challenging and inspirational. He has been able to encourage many people at various meetings, schools, and churches.



Mrs. Shaw's 7th grade Science class studied Atmospheric Pressure. The students and principal got into a plastic bag and had all the air pulled out by a vacuum cleaner. Pictured above: Mrs. Shaw using the vacuum to pull the air out of Principal Mr. Bragg's plastic bag. Then, Mrs. Shaw pulled the air from Kylea Driggs-Holland's and Kelcee Burgess' plastic bag to show the effect on the body from the changes in the atmospheric pressure.



MORGAN EAST

The Grinch (Jayden Kaloydis) and her reindeer dog, Max (Katlin Campbell), took time out of their busy schedule of scheming to get the presents from WHOVILLE to visit East Elementary.



During the Christmas Season, members of Mrs. Camp's sixth grade showed their holiday spirit. Pictured left to right: Wyatt Shaw, Jayden Kaloydis, Lacey Holland and Katlin Campbell.



Instead of Santa Baby, East Elementary received a visit from "Panda Baby." Audrey Fluharty made her debut in early December, before hitting the igloo for a long winter's nap.



Santa, Kaidence Searl, is all business in her suit and tie. Her elf, Lilly Mattox (pictured on Santa's back), and her reindeers (Kenzie Kidd on the back of Madison VanNess) are ready for the Christmas cheer.



PANDA
santa
BABY

MORGAN SOUTH

South Elementary helped JR Wilson, Morgan Local School Board Member and Morgan County Chief Probation Officer, collect blankets and socks for our area senior citizens. These awesome kiddos collected over 60 blankets and 110 pairs of socks! Great job caring for your community, South students!



After School Activities

At Morgan South, students in grades 3-6 can participate in the after school program. We provide students with Reading and Math intervention. We provide enrichment for students in Reading and Math as well. We provide sports and physical education nightly for students to get moving and stay healthy. Students can do fun Science experiments or work online using Chrome books. On Tuesday nights, we have Millie Parsons, from All-well, present “Life Skills” to all the students. We are getting ready for our Family Night on February 17th. Students and their families will make a craft with Jamie from Town Square Collectibles.



Above Charlie Ferguson, Will Kaltenbach, River Mullenax and Josiah Jones work on the computers.



Pictured left to right: Elizabeth Kern, Aaliyah Nichols, and Braylen Myers use Dry Erase markers to practice their spelling words.

To the right: McKenzie Miller and Khloe Kincaid are playing a game “Ring Toss” Dodgeball in the gym.



February

DIY

MORGAN WEST

Mrs. McCormick's 3rd graders conducted a science experiment making butter. Students enjoyed following the scientific process and then got to enjoy the product of their efforts.



The students enjoyed making butter and had a learning experience watching the heavy cream go from a liquid state to a solid state just by shaking the jar. Pictured above from left to right in the first row: Aiden Puttick, Paislee Harlow, Serenity Pierdinock, and Emalee Toole. Second row left to right: Ellie Ross, Micah Thompson, Drayden Harris, Justin King, and Lane Woodgeard. Third row from left to right: Jacoby Norris, Carter Inman, Corbin Wainwright, Abigail Welch and Mrs. McCormick.



Corbin Wainwright shows some of the ingredients and supplies needed to make butter. The final product is on the plate in front of him.



Carter Inman pours the Heavy Cream through the strainer Jacoby Norris is holding.

Name: _____

2 BUTTER SCIENCE EXPERIMENT

MAKING BUTTER

A long time ago, people could not go to the grocery store and buy butter to put on their Thanksgiving food. They had to make it instead! Want to make your very own butter and use it at Thanksgiving this year? Follow the steps below!

Materials:
 Heavy Whipping Cream
 Salt
 Strainer
 A clean jar with a lid (glass is best so you can see your butter in the making)

Procedure:
 1. Pour heavy whipping cream and a sprinkle of salt into your jar until the jar is filled about half way. Tightly place the lid on the jar.
 2. Shake the jar as hard and as fast as you can until your whipping cream turns into the texture of butter. You'll have to shake it A LOT! Try setting a timer for 8 minutes and shake, shake, shake. If after 8 minutes you still think it needs more shaking, keep going!
 *Your cream will turn to whipped cream, and will then turn to butter. Don't stop shaking until you hear a solid substance moving around in you jar.
 3. Once your cream has turned into the butter you want, use the





MORGAN WEST



During the week before Thanksgiving break, students in Mrs. Gifford's and Mrs. Robinson's first grade class partnered with Mrs. Harrop's and Mrs. McDonald's fourth graders to complete a Thanksgiving balloon project. The classes all read the book Balloons Over Broadway which explains the origin of the large balloons in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade. Then, the students came together to create their own parade balloons. At the end, they paraded through the school to show off their hard work.

Aubrey Williams (fourth grader) and Brianna Payne (first grader) work on their design for the float.



To the right: Fourth grade students, Nash Bowman and Easton White, create a Walking Liberty float.

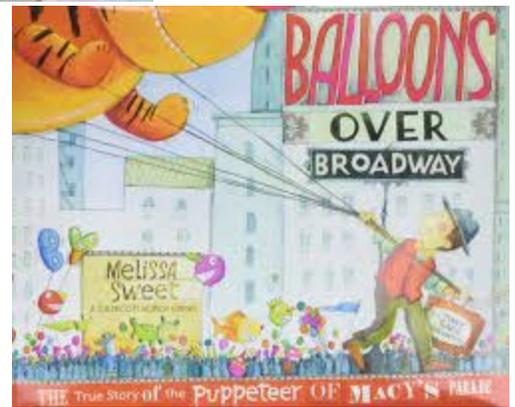
Below: Trinity Humphrey (fourth grader) cuts out hearts while Lydia Ratliff (first grader) glues them on the pink ears of their kitten float.



Above: Blayton Riley (first grader) and Brody Jones (fourth grader) are gluing the eyes on their balloon. They have the hair ready to glue on.



To the right: Thomas Gifford (first grader) and Zooney Bolyard (fourth grader) look at all the supplies they have to work with.



Layla Vincent, first grade student, shows off her balloon.

Mrs. Harrop is helping Aiden Greuey (fourth grader) and Holt Bowman (first grader) put their balloons together to form a float.



Above: Britteny Mingus (first grader) is designing her balloon.

MORGAN WEST



Truck made a stop at West Elementary. The students and staff got to enjoy the shaved

To the right: Even on a cool day, Sephia Martin and Braylynn Welch can enjoy the delicious flavors.

Below: Bronson Bole is enjoying the Ninja Cherry.



To the left: Atleigh Milhoan has a rainbow of flavors in her purple cup that matches her jacket.



ice with the FLAVORWARE. Some of the flavors included Pina Colada, Groovy Grape, Ninja Cherry, Orange Ya Happy, and Lemon Lime-A-Licious. Everyone loved it!!



Above: Larkin Winner enjoys the KONA Ice. To the right: Mrs. Gifford's first grade class enjoys the cool goodness and brain freeze of KONA ICE.



On November 23, staff and students at West Elementary came together to participate in the first annual Turkey Trot. Modeled after popular 5k runs, students could run or walk the one mile walking trail behind the school. They had the opportunity to purchase race day t-shirts and everyone received a water bottle at the finish line. This was a fun day for everyone and an excellent opportunity to get some exercise! We look forward to this next year!

Belle Jones is enjoying the perfect running weather.



Red Ribbon Week

To the below: Morgan County Sheriff's Officer West and Sergeant Jenkins delivers information to West Elementary during Red Ribbon Week.



Above: Blayton Riley and Dawson Pletcher receive BETTER TOGETHER Drug & Bully Free cinch sacks.



To the left: Finn Copeland, Arianna Buherts, Jase VanHorn, Brianna Payne, and Elana Tokie show the water bottles they received.

Below: Braylynn Welch, Evelyn Copeland, Thomas Gifford, and Madilynn Jewell show off their Red Ribbon Week sunglasses.



UPCOMING EVENTS

March 2022						
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May 2022						
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- March 2022-Music in Our Schools Month
- March 1-Share a Smile Day
- March 2-National Read Across America Day
- March 6-12-Teen Tech Week
- March 7-11-National School Breakfast Week
- March 9-Morgan High School Health Tech Blood Drive-7:30am-3pm
- March 10-East Elementary Jump Rope for Heart
- March 13-Daylight Savings Time Begins
- March 14-Pi Day
- March 17-St. Patrick's Day, End of the 3rd Nine Weeks
- March 18-No School Students-Staff Professional Development Day
- March 20-First Day of Spring
- March 25-Morgan High School FFA Banquet
- April 2022-Math Awareness Month and School Library Month
- April 1-April Fool's Day
- April 15-18-No School for Easter Observance
- April 21-Administrative Professionals' Day
- April 22-Earth Day
- April 29-Arbor Day
- May 11-School Nurses' Day
- May 13-Morgan High School Scholarship Awards Day-8am
- May 25-East Elementary Kindergarten Graduation-10am
- May 26-Last Day for Students

Kindergarten Registration for 2022-2023 School Year For all

Morgan Local Elementary Schools



Registration Packets are available at Morgan Local School District Office, located at 65 West Union Avenue, McConnellsville, online at morganschools.org, or in the main offices of East, South, and West Elementary Building.

***Return the Registration Form, Health History, Language Usage Survey, Kate Love Simpson Library Card Application, Certified Birth Certificate, Immunization Record, Custody Papers (if applicable), Proof of Residency, and Photo Id (of Parent/Guardian enrolling student) to the District Office.**

Kindergarten screenings will be held at East Elementary on May 10, West Elementary on May 11, and South Elementary on May 12. Appointment times will be scheduled at a later date.

If you have any questions or to schedule an appointment to return the required information, please call Leslie Robbins at 740-962-1121.

July 2022

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August 2022

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September 2022

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November 2022

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December 2022

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Application form for Preschool

Elementary School Attendance Area:

Child's Name:

Birth date:

Age:

Mother's Name:

Father's Name:

Child's Address:

Telephone Number:

Cell Number:

*****Check which option you would like to apply for or you can check both boxes*****

- Option 1: Tuition based program 4 days a week **Fee will be required**
- Option 2: 2 day income based program **No fee required**
- Both options

***** Form must be completed and turned in by APRIL 1st*****

By filling out this form, a preschool teacher will contact you with information at a later date.
Preschool does not provide transportation.

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