

*Shadow Butte
Elementary*

School Board Update
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December 2024

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



IXL Leaderboard Top Dogs Congratulations to our IXL Leaderboard Top Dogs for this month: Walker Turnblom, Lawson LaMore, and Mollie Vickery. These students have demonstrated outstanding dedication to their learning by earning the highest scores in IXL across the school. Being at the top of the schoolwide leaderboard means they've mastered skills, tackled challenging concepts, and committed extra effort to excel in both math and language arts. We are so proud of their hard work and focus—keep it up, Top Dogs!

Huskie Heroes Recognition Program This month, we proudly celebrate **Amy Kunka** as our Huskie Hero! As a new addition to our school and the 3rd-grade team, Amy has brought an infectious positive attitude and a nurturing approach to her teaching, making a significant impact on her students. Her dedication extends beyond the classroom as she actively connects our school with the community, bringing in volunteers to share their time and expertise. Amy's efforts to build relationships and create meaningful experiences for our students truly make her a shining star. We are thrilled to have her as part of our Huskie family! Feel free to send her a note of appreciation at akunka@isd221.net

STEAM Night Our November STEAM Night was a tremendous success, with students and families coming together to explore the exciting world of Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math (STEAM). The evening was filled with hands-on activities like paper rocket creation, bridge building, solar system mapping, coding challenges, leaf art, and engaging math games. Families enjoyed the chance to collaborate, learn, and share a delicious meal. The energy and enthusiasm throughout the night were incredible, showcasing the power of STEAM to inspire creativity and critical thinking in our community! Also, a huge shout out to April Russell and our Event Team for their organization and planning.

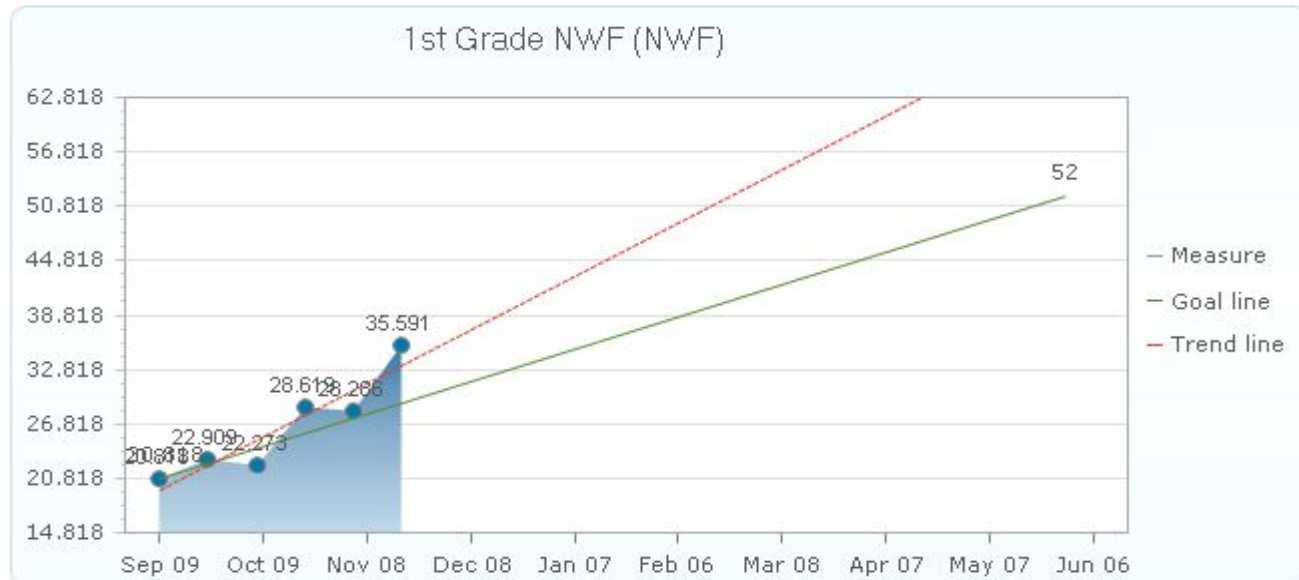
DATA FOCUS



Data Celebrations We are thrilled to celebrate the hard work and dedication of our 1st Grade Title Team and 1st Grade teachers for the growth shown by their students being progress monitored. The group's performance is soaring well above the projected goal line, as shown in the graph.

Progress monitoring is a key educational practice that tracks students' academic performance over time. By regularly assessing students on specific skills, educators can ensure that instructional strategies are effectively meeting students' needs. This approach allows teachers to make data-driven decisions to enhance learning outcomes. The remarkable progress seen here is a testament to the collaborative efforts of our teachers and the impact of targeted interventions. Great job, team!

Progress Monitor Report for Group Average for 1st Grade NWF



MONTHLY CALENDAR



Mark Your Calendar:

December:

Dec. 11 - Dress up Day - Holiday

Dec. 13 - Winter Dance 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. - Gym

Dec. 16 - Christmas Concert 2nd Grade- 8:35 for Students; 1:45 for Parents

Dec. 17- Core Value Awards Assembly-

-K&1 8:30 - 9:00, 2&3 9:00 - 9:30, 4&5 10:00 - 10:30

Dec. 17 - PTO Meeting in Library- 5:30 p.m.

Dec. 18 - PE Running Club Field Trip to Jumptime

Dec. 19 - Class Birthday Celebrations- 3:00 p.m.

Dec. 19 - Singalong 9:00 - 9:45 a.m. - Gym

Dec. 19 - Rec Day 12:40-1:30 p.m.

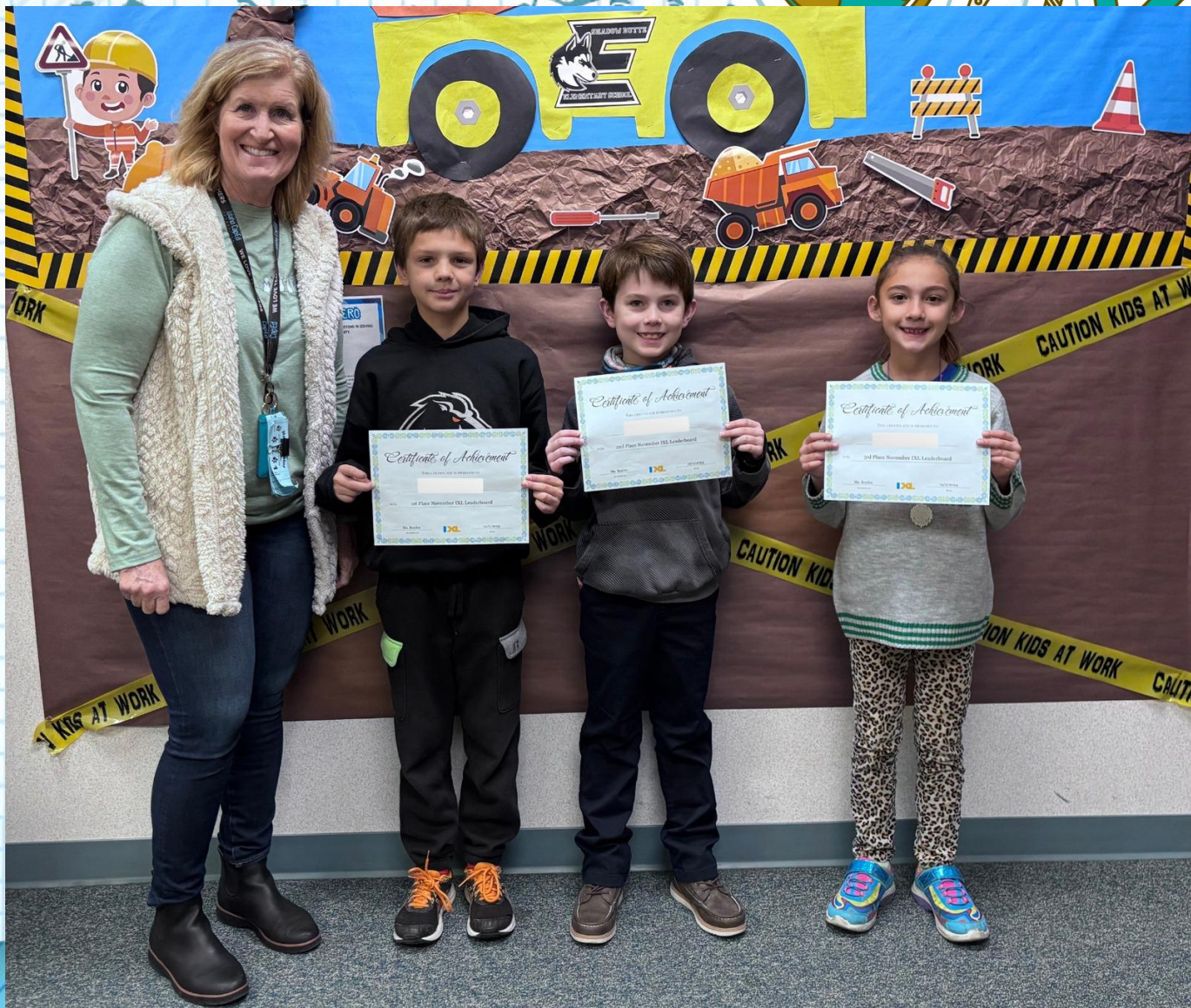
Dec. 23 - Jan 6 - NO SCHOOL - CHRISTMAS BREAK

Looking ahead:

Jan. 7 - Welcome Back!



IXL LEADERBOARD TOP DOGS





HUSKIE HERO

RECOGNIZING STAFF MEMBERS GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND IN SERVING STUDENTS, FAMILIES, AND THE COMMUNITY.

**Mrs.
Kunka**



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STEAM NIGHT



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Shadow Butte Running Club

Top Runners from the
Running Club and
Marathon Club.



The top 2 Runners
from each grade
earned a Field Trip
to Jumptime