



Cherokee Celebrates 100 Days of School



Cherokee Elementary School just hit the big 1-0-0! That's right, they celebrated the 100th day of school, and it was a blast! Students and teachers were buzzing with excitement, diving into a variety of activities that celebrated all the brainpower they have packed in over the months. From fun counting games to artsy masterpieces and wacky costumes, this day was a delightful mix of learning and giggles!



Spelling Bee Winner--Hats off to our superstar Ameya Singh, pictured above with Mrs. Reed and Mr. Hutson, for coming in first place at the district spelling bee held back in January at Liberty Bell Middle School! She earned her title of school representative after winning the December fifth grade spelling bee with Jaffe Stallworth as the runner up. Ameya faced off against the best and brightest from every elementary school and both middle schools in the district. Coming up, she will tackle an online qualifier test to guaranty her spot in the regional bee, where she will go head-to-head with fellow champs. Go, Ameya! 🎉🎉🎉

Calendar of Events

Feb 3

ELPA testing begins

JC School Board Meeting 6pm

Feb 5

Faculty Meeting

Midterms

Feb 6

Newspaper Meeting

Feb 7

PTA Valentine's Dance 6-8

Souper Bowl Lunch

Feb 11

Grade Level Meeting

PTC Board Meeting @4

Feb 12

Site-Base Meeting

Feb 13

Digital Learning Day

Feb 14

Valentine's Day

Feb 17

President's Day - School Day

Feb 18

PTA Spirit Night at Zaxby's

Feb 20

Newspaper Meeting

Feb 24

4-H Meeting

Feb 26

RTI Meetings

Feb 28

5th grade ETSU Fossils

Catching Up With....Mrs. Adams Interviewed by Natalie Reed



Mrs. Adams *Staff Photo*

Our staff decided to meet with one of our Kindergarten teachers on the lower hall. Here are some of her responses to our questions. Enjoy.

Q: What are some of your hobbies?

A: I love traveling, hiking, crafting, and sports!

Q: What is your favorite color?

A: Blue and orange

Q: What are your favorite sports?

A: Baseball and softball

Q: What is your favorite sports team?

A: Tennessee Volunteers

Q: What is your favorite food?

A: I love Mexican food! Tacos are my favorite!

Q: What is your new year's resolution?

A: To slow down and enjoy the little things.

Q: What are you looking forward to this year?

A: My son is starting tee-ball for the first time this year and I am so excited to watch him play!

Q: Have you gone on any field trips?

A: We have not gone on any yet but, plan on going to Bay's Mountain and the Johnson City Library this spring.

Q: What is your favorite part about teaching?

A: My favorite part about teaching is having fun while seeing the students grow and learn. It is so exciting to see a kindergarten student read a book for the first time all by themselves!

Q: How long have worked here?

A: This is my 10th year teaching at Cherokee.

Q: What is your favorite part about Cherokee?

A: My favorite part of Cherokee is the students! As a

kindergarten teacher, I get to know many students from the very beginning. I get to see how everyone grows and changes from kindergarten until they are through with fifth grade. I am so proud to hear about all the great things that everyone is doing!

Q: What is your favorite book or what are you reading right now?

A: I am getting ready to re-read the Hunger Games series. There is a new book coming out in March and it has been a few years since I have read the original series.

Q: Is there anything else you would like to share with us?

A: I love to hear from previous students! Please come visit us in the lower hall sometime! ☺

Meet Our School Counselor... Ms Dykes Interviewed by Clair Hill



Ms Dykes *Photo by Hagan Kelley*

Our staff members recently sat down with Ms. Dykes our new school counselor and asked her some questions, here are her responses.

Q: What are some of your hobbies?

A: I enjoy being with friends and family, reading, and playing pickleball.

Q: What is your favorite color?

A: My favorite color is yellow - it is a happy color.

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Q: What is your favorite sport?

A: My favorite would probably be football; I love going to TN and ETSU games. I also enjoy volleyball; I played it from 3rd grade-10th grade.

Q: What is your favorite sports team?

A: Tennessee! Go Vols!

Q: What is your favorite food?

A: I am a foodie, so I love just about anything and have a lot of "favorites." I love pasta and especially love the pasta dish "Pasta Raffaele" from the restaurant Raffaele's. I also have a big sweet tooth and love anything sweet!

Q: What are you looking forward to this year?

A: I am looking forward to the rest of the school year at Cherokee and watching every

student continue to grow.

Q: Have you gone on any field trips?

A: I have not gone on any field trips at Cherokee. I would love to and hope to in the future! My favorite field trip when I was in elementary school was always 4-H.

Q: What is your favorite part about teaching?

A: My favorite part about teaching is building relationships with my students. I love watching them grow both academically and as a person.

Q: How long have worked here?

A: This is my first year at Cherokee!

Q: What is your favorite part about Cherokee?

A: My favorite part about Cherokee is the students! I have loved getting to know everyone this year! They are

the reason why I am a school counselor.

Q: What is your favorite book or what are you reading right now?

A: When I was in elementary school, my favorite book was Junie B. Jones. Now, my favorite books are anything by Frieda McFadden.

Q: What does a school counselor do?

A: I love this question. A school counselor supports students' academic and social-emotional development for all students. This is through providing individual, short-term counseling, small group lessons, classroom lessons, connecting families with community resources, and helping to eliminate barriers that are affecting achievement.

What To Do On A Rainy Day! By Avery Roden

Rainy days are perfect for indoor activities. The sound of rain outside invites you to unwind with a book, explore creative hobbies, or enjoy games with loved ones. I asked the staff what things do they like to do on rainy days.

Natalie - Sit on couch and watch videos on youtube.

Nathan - Watch youtube shorts and play Minecraft.

Miguel - Play Minecraft in bed.

Claire - Sleep and watch tv.

Coehen - Just cuddle with my dog in case he is scared of the rain.

Angel - Go outside and play in the rain.

Jensen - Sit inside and drink

hot cocoa.

Ethan - Read inside.

Emerson - Watch movies or read a book.

Annabell - Get tackled by my older sisters.

Jack - Eat popcorn or ride my bike through puddles.

Knox - Splash in the puddles or play Fortnite.

Tripp - Play video games or watch youtube.

Ms. Pugh - Draw.

Olivia - Read a book or run around in circles.

Hagan - Watch tv.

Me (Avery) - I like to make a pillow fort and drink hot cocoa.

Racing Dreams by Way of a Motocross Bike

Cherokee's own Knox Bennett is not your average student. While most kids his age are busy with homework and playground games, Knox is tearing up the dirt tracks on his KTM motorcycle. With a passion for motocross that started at an early age, Knox's journey into the racing world is both inspiring and exciting.

Knox had his first dirt bike by the age of two and by four, he was officially racing. Starting out was not difficult for him, since he used training wheels, which he quickly got rid of by age three.

For those interested in starting motocross,

Knox suggests visiting local tracks like I-81 Motorsports Park in Greeneville and Mud-dy Creek in Blountville. The process is easy, just show up with your bike, sign up, and you are ready to race. He also says not to be afraid and to expect a few bumps and bruises along the way.

Knox is part of a family racing team called "Go Go Moto," which includes his brother and cousin, and they even run their own YouTube channel to share their racing adventures.

Knox has been successful in various competitions, earning money and securing second

place for the season in two different classes. His favorite part about racing? Getting muddy! Despite the occasional crash, which is a hazard of the sport, Knox continues to race.

Knox looks up to motocross racer Dangerboy Deagan and wants to continue racing as he gets older. With the support of sponsors and his KTM motorcycle, Knox is well-equipped with essential protective gear, including a helmet, boots, chest protector, gloves, racing pants, racing jersey, and goggles, to keep him safe as he races.

Knox races at various tracks, including



Muddy Creek, I-81, and locations in North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia. The longest distance he has traveled for a race is three hours, and races typically last about 15 to 20 minutes, depending on the number of

laps.

With his family's support, love for the sport and excitement for muddy adventures mark the beginning of a promising future in racing.

Meet Our Fourth Grade Math Teacher....Ms. Morris Interviewed by Annabell Cluff

To finish out our interviews with our fourth-grade teachers, we met up with Ms. Morris. Here are some of her responses to our questions. Enjoy.

Q: What is your favorite sport?
A: Soccer

Q: What is your favorite holiday?
A: Thanksgiving

Q: What is your favorite animal?
A: A panda bear

Q: What is your favorite food?
A: Steak and potatoes

Q: What is your favorite book?
A: The Harry Potter Series

Q: What are you reading now?
A: I am reading the third Fourth Wing book.

Q: What is your favorite movie?
A: The Help

Q: Where were you born?
A: Nashville, TN

Q: Who inspired you to be a math teacher?

A: My math teacher in high school. He made it FUN! Fun fact, I taught his son math.

Q: How long have been at Cherokee?

A: This is my first year here.

Q: What is your favorite season?
A: Fall

Q: What is your favorite subject in school during your childhood?

A: Science and Math.

Q: Is there anything else you would like to share with our readers?

A: I love to sing and collect records.

Q: When is your birthday?

A: December 1st



Ms. Morris Staff Photo

Animal of the Month ...Jellyfish By Annabell Cluff

The animal of the month is...a Jellyfish! The first thing we need to cover is that Jellyfishes are NOT a fish and they are NOT made of jelly. Don't judge a book by its cover. Now let's dive into some fun facts!

Jellyfish have been around before even the dinosaurs existed. Another fun fact is that certain types of jellyfish can grow to over 100 feet long!

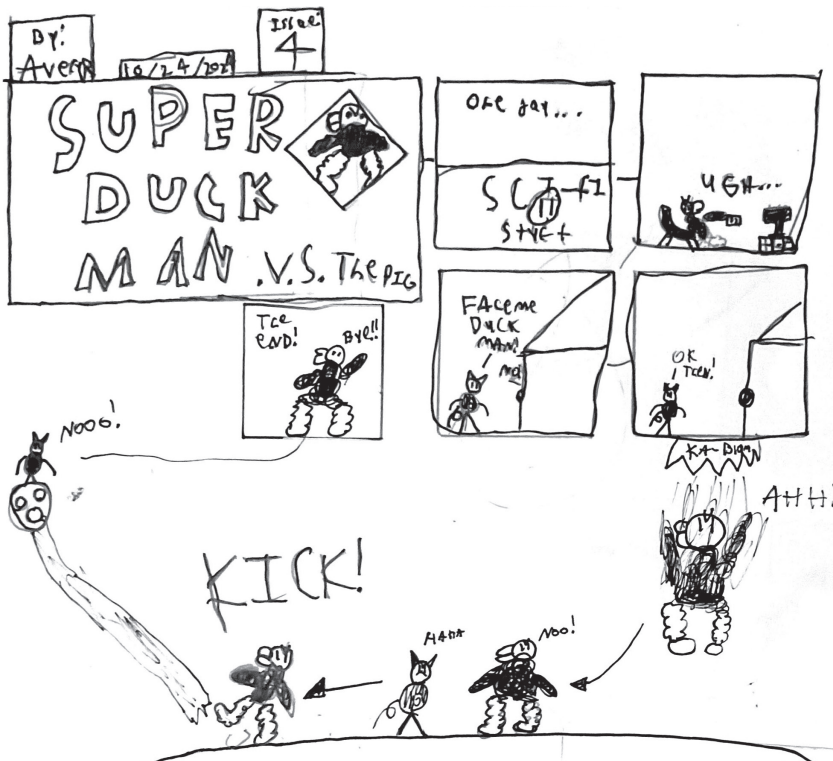
And some types of jellyfish are so deadly that many people can die from their stings, an example is a Box Jellyfish that lives on the coast of Australia.

Some types of Jellyfish are not really Jellyfish, their scientific name is Scyphozoan. [I do not know how you pronounce it.] Some jellyfish sting and some do not. Remember to NOT PICK UP

JELLYFISHES! They have tiny stinging cells that will hurt you [depending on what type it is.] And if you ever do get stung by a jellyfish, put vinegar on it and it will help the pain.

Thank you for reading this part of the HOWLER and make sure to keep in touch!





A House Full Of Mystery

A Short Story by Miguel Flores Continued from last edition

Chapter 4. When the Residents Regret the decision they made....

Five months later
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Rick found a letter in the destroyed house while he was finishing his cleaning duty on the whole town and it said "Here I am searching in this amazing deserted house looking for an amulet that is so important that can liberate all bad things and find lost things. There was something wrong. I felt a rare sense that I can feel when I am in danger. It was like something bad would happen to this town. I thought to

myself, "I'm going to try to defend them because it's so pre..." The residents felt strange and the air felt so heavy like if something or someone attacked him for behind then the residents decided to burn the house but that was the worst decision they would have made.

--To be continued



JOKES

Q: What month is the best for coffee? A: Feb-BREW-ary

Q: Which month has 28 days? A: Every month!

Q: Can February March? A: No, but April May!

Q: Where does a snowman get the weather report? A: The winternet.

Q: How did Jack Frost get to work? A: By icicle.

Q: Why did the bear keep getting fired? A: He always disappeared in the winter.

Q: What can you catch in the winter with your eyes closed? A: A cold.

Q: How was the snow globe feeling after the scary story? A: A little shaken.

Q: How do you keep from getting cold feet during the winter? A: Don't walk around BRRRRfooted.

Q: What kind of math do Snowy Owls like? A: Owlgebra.

Q: How can you farm during the winter? A: Use a snow plow.

Q: If your reindeer lost his tail, where would you go to buy him a new one? A: A retail store!

Life's Secrets: Fairies

By Olivia Fleenor



Fairies are one of life's most intriguing mysteries. Are they real or just a figment of imagination? Regardless of what you believe, I am excited to share some insights about them.

According to Google, "there is no evidence that fairies are not real, nor is there proof that they are." If you ever think you have spotted a fairy, check for these characteristics: pointy ears, blue or green

skin, webbed hands and feet, and no nose.

Fairies have a fondness for music, flowers, shiny objects, delicious food gifts, nature, and sweets.

If you are hoping to catch a glimpse of a fairy, remember they adore flowers and often reside in lilies, tree hollows, or on small patches of moss. If you plan to create a fairy house, be sure to construct it using natural materials.



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