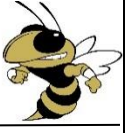




The Sunday Stinger



Midway Elementary School



Week of October 18th

Happy Sunday! I hope you all had a great week. Red Ribbon Week was so much fun! I appreciate everyone who participated throughout the week. This week, our second grade students will participate in CogAt testing. I am looking forward to another great week at Midway Elementary.

Second grade students will take the CogAt test this Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. The CogAt test is a nationally normed aptitude assessment that tests students' critical thinking, reasoning, and problem-solving skills. Please be sure your student has a nutritious breakfast and gets plenty of sleep. Virtual students who are coming to Midway to take this assessment need to enter through the front doors. We will open the front doors in order for students to walk straight to the library. After the test is over, Mrs. Reno and other Midway staff members will walk the students outside to meet their parents. Next Tuesday and Wednesday, second grade students will complete the Iowa testing. These tests are used to determine eligibility for the gifted and talented program.

We are excited to announce that we will continue the tradition of our annual Spooktacular! The plan is to separate our staff on both back car loops: K-2nd grade and Learning Labs on the bus loop and 3rd-5th grade and Related Arts on the main car loop. Students and parents will need to stay in their cars and drive through the car loops. Our staff plans to dress up as usual and pass out candy to our students as they pass through in vehicles. The event will take place on Friday, October 30th from 5:00-6:30 PM. Students and parents are welcome to dress up in their costumes. All Midway families are invited! Please continue to adhere to safety guidelines when attending this event: If you are not well enough for school, do not attend Spooktacular. Our PTO will purchase some candy for the event, but the more candy we have, the better! If you are able to donate a bag of candy for Spooktacular, we will collect them through the car lines up until the day of the event. Candy needs to be individually wrapped. We are looking forward to a fun-filled evening!

Our teachers and room parents are currently working on a plan for a fall classroom celebration. Due to the circumstances, it will be different from fall classroom celebrations in the past, but it will still be fun for our students. Students may bring a few food items from home and participate in fall activities/crafts during the last thirty minutes of the school day on October 30th. Cookies and cupcakes may be ordered from AIT, and the teachers will pass those out to students. Treat bags and other items will not be allowed at this time. More information concerning fall celebrations will be coming from your child's room parent and/or teacher.

Information was recently sent home about the YMCA's Reindeer Run. The Reindeer Run is on December 5th. **As they have done in the past, they are holding the elementary participation contest. The elementary school with the highest percentage of participation will receive a \$500 award.** I encourage you and your family to support our school and participate in the live or virtual Reindeer Run. [You can find sign up information here.](#) Be sure to click "Yes" when it asks if you would like to join or create a group. **This will allow you to choose "Midway Elementary" as the group.** I look forward to participating with our students!

I appreciate everything you do to make our school the best! Check out our [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), and Instagram pages to see all of the great things happening at Midway. You can contact me anytime via email (BrandonMeares@anderson5.net) or phone (716-3800). We will continue to do things the best way...The Midway.

Brandon Meares



Want to celebrate your student's birthday on the Midway Marquee Sign?

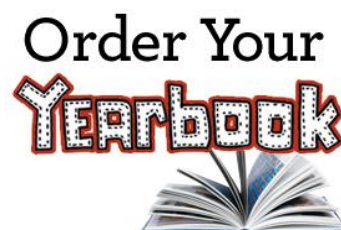
[Click here for details.](#)

Want to order cupcakes or cookies for your student's birthday?

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Happy Birthday

Tracy Jones -October 20th

Looking Ahead

October 20th-22nd: 2nd Grade CogAt Testing

October 23rd: Bus Driver/Assistant Appreciation Day

October 27th-28th: 2nd Grade Iowa Assessment

October 27th: [Chipotle Spirit Night](#)

October 30th: Spooktacular 5:00-6:30 PM (Drive-through event)

November 2nd: elearning (School building will be closed for staff only)

November 3rd: Election Day (No School/No elearning)

November 4th: elearning (School building will be closed for staff only)

November 5th: elearning (School building will be closed for staff only)

November 6th: elearning (School building will be closed for staff only)

November 9th-18th: Boosterthon

November 17th: Make-up Picture Day (8:00-9:00)/Virtual Picture Day Drop-in (9:30-1:00)

November 17th: Guy's Pizza Spirit Night

December 5th: Reindeer Run

Great News!

USDA and Congress has approved free breakfast and lunch for students until June 2021. Please consider eating free school breakfast and lunch.

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Teacher	Student of the Week	Teacher	Student of the Week
Mrs. Campbell	Eve Watson	Mrs. Lewis	Charlie Roosmann
Mrs. Vickery	Emmalyn Van De Water	Ms. Mayfield	Sophie Stuart
Mrs. Dove	Jessica William	Mrs. Kelley	Sawyer Grimes
Mrs. Jones	Lizzy Eunice	Mrs. Herbert	Mary Fitz Burnett
Mrs. Witcher	Kinsley Miller	Mrs. Uhall	Mark Zarrouf
Mrs. Hall	Jaley Jameson	Mr. Holzshu	Jake Hosea
Mrs. Shirley	Miles Totman	Mrs. Strom	Nadia Rashed
Mrs. Mims	Lexi Evans	Mrs. Askew	Laken Grant
Mrs. Jackson	Ivy Long	Mrs. Neal	Londyn Williams
Ms. Martin	Madeline O'Leary	Ms. McClelland	Michael Whitfield
Mrs. Hornick	Joel Wells	Mrs. Watkins	Xander Hatton
Mrs. Best	Jace Welsh	Mrs. Andrade	Lydia Butler
Mrs. Gilreath	Brooks Watkins	Ms. Lewinski	Alex Ramirez
Mrs. Davis	Addison Lack	Mrs. Roper	Ava Grace Evans
Mrs. Twitty	Bruno Machado		
Mrs. Arroyo	Reagan Bundrick		
Mrs. Brookman	Zeke Reid		

Our PTO is offering another round of t-shirt orders.

[Click here for the form.](#)

Orders due October 26th.

