

Superintendent's Message

It was great to see so many of you at the Back to School Night! Thank you for your attendance. As a reminder, our first Parent Teacher Conference is September 29, 4-7 PM.

I'd like to introduce our new staff:

- Zach Steckler is our Math teacher. He completed his secondary math teaching degree in Indiana.
- Kim Lemmon is Art for both Woodlin and Arickaree. She has experience in Colorado and joins us from Missouri.
- Joe Lacombe is half-time Music/half-time Librarian. He and his wife, Ali, join us from Maine.
- Joey Prather is half-time PE/half-time Librarian. Joey is from Brush.
- Pam Priest has become the full-time Para, and
- Deb Myers is the new bus-driver.

Our Academic

Stampede program will continue. Growth in CSAP Math (an identified need) was our best improvement! MAPS data (how we measure student growth) also demonstrated the success of this process. The students will be assessed shortly after school starts. We will continue to use this time slot to address growth in Reading, Writing, Math, Science and mandates such as career and post-secondary training, etc.

By the time you receive this, the applications for the three positions open on the board will be returned to the office. At this time, we have out three petitions for the three openings. If the trend continues, there will be no need for a run-off.

As with many districts, we've had to implement more controls on the student cell phones. The steps are outlined in your student's handbook. However, there are a few services

we offer. First, all school vehicles have school owned cell phones. Students are **encouraged** to call home with the school vehicle cell phone to notify parents and schedule pick-ups. In addition, students can "check in" their cell phones at the office daily. Cell phones will be returned to the student at the end of the day. Hopefully, these services will help **eliminate students having in their possession a cell phone during school hours.**

I'd like to express a note of gratitude to the Lincoln County Department of Human Services for assisting in the **generous** donation of school supplies. Also, thanks to Bucko Feed and Freight for supplying school pencils. These supplies will assist students who are not able to provide their own classroom materials. We appreciate your assistance!

Have a great school year! Rose C., Supt.

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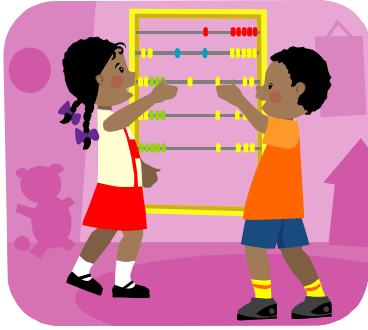
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September Special points of interest:

- 6th Preschool begins
 - 7th Lions Staff Recognition
 - 12th Yearbook trip
 - 15th Science Field trip
 - 19th FFA District Green Hand
 - 20th School Board
 - 22nd Picture Day
 - 23rd Blood Drive
 - 26th Staff Professional Day
 - 28th FBLA Fall Leadership
 - 29th Vision/Hearing screening; P/T Conferences
 - Oct 2nd Race for the Cure
- See calendar for all the Volleyball & Football games

Chain of Command

If there is a concern with a Woodlin staff member, we encourage the person who has the concern to go directly to the staff person for resolution, if appropriate their supervisor (principal) would be next, then the Superintendent. If not resolved with Superintendent, School Board mem-



Welcome Back

bers should be the last to contact.

Thanks for helping to keep lines of communication open to resolve issues for the benefit for our students.

Reminders

Remember:

If your child is going to be absent please contact the school office and notify them.

If your child needs to stay after school for any reason please secure an individual to sponsor them until you arrive.

Academic Letters Awarded

Congratulations to Darean Hunt, Allie Martin and Kaley Kukus for earning Academic Honors. Each student received a Certificate, Academic Letter Bar and \$50 gift certificate for their outstanding efforts.

All students 9-12 are eligible. Academic Letters are based on the entire current academic year. The student must have at least a 3.8 grade point

Congratulations!!!

average over the year. At least 5 of the 7 classes must be core academic. Each semester the student must be

enrolled in at least one science, one math, one history and one English class, unless one is not offered at the high school

Kindergarten Korner

Kindergarten is off to a fast start! We have 12 students in our class, and we are looking forward to a year filled with learning and fun! In fact, the kindergarten students shared what they would like to learn during the year:

They would like to learn about math so they can add, measure, and count to 180.

They would like to learn about the ABCs.

They would like to learn about reading so that they can read books, read



A world of learning begins in kindergarten...

cursive, read to their brother, and read Barbie books.

They would like to learn how to write their name in cursive.

See you next month!

Supporting Two Great Women ~ One Worthy Cause

In preparation for Breast Cancer Awareness Month (October) the Woodlin National Honor Society is sponsoring a Blood Drive on Friday, September 23, 2011 from 12:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. This drive is in support of Mrs. McCracken and Mrs. Byall who are both on their own journeys to



Plan to Donate
September 23rd

recovery. You can schedule an appointment on line at www.bonfils.org --go to "schedule appointment" and enter Woodlin's group/site code (1184)- or contact Mrs. Weisensee at 386-2223. Please come and support this event.



Please Save and Send In

Please save and send in . . .

- Aluminum Cans (National Honor Society)
- Box Tops for Education (Elementary Student Council)
- Brush Grocery Kart receipts (Purchase learning development activities)
- Ink cartridges (FBLA)



Zumba

Coming to Woodlin, Zumba dance aerobic classes.

When: Wednesdays (beginning Sept 7th)

Time: 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Cost: \$5/session

Contact: Brenda Kukus for details @ 970-554-0305

Music, Music, Music

If anyone in grades 2-12 is interested in voice, guitar, bass, or drum set lessons please contact Woodlin's new music teacher, Mr. Joe LaCombe @ 207-431-3485 or at the school, 970-386-2223 or email,

lacombej@woodlinschool.com



Thank You
5 Gallon Buckets

Byers Water & Sanitation and Randy Roth for donating the buckets to the music department.

Summer Ecology Hits the Road

Woodlin School once again organized and participated in Summer Ecology. This year's class was a drastic departure from normal. They had a very young group and lacked experience (after losing several seniors to graduation) so it was decided to take Summer Eco on the road and visit some other places in our country. Mr. Byall, along with sponsor Judy Little, packed 11 students into two SUV's and trekked 4000 miles in 14 days across the southwest and western states. The trip included stops in southern Colorado and New Mexico before heading into Arizona and staying for a few days at the Grand Canyon. After visiting Hoover Dam outside Las Vegas, the group stayed in southern California for a few nights and then set their sights on the central California coast and Monterey Bay Aquarium, the Big Sur, and Santa Cruz Mountains.

The next stop was the Sierra Nevadas where Sequoia, King's Canyon, and Yosemite National Parks all afforded the class with countless learning experiences and fantastic memories. Cruising across Nevada and Utah, with stops at Bodie State Park, Mono Lake Recreational Area, and Great Basin National Park, Summer Ecology students got the chance to work with professionals from the National Park Service and Utah State University while assisting in their "Bio-blitz" program.

Our group of intrepid travelers included: Zach Vick, Tony Kitchin, Tarek Thompson, Stormey Powell, Kiana Kukus, Conagher Jones, MaKayla Vick, and Joe Weisensee. The class was led by three team captains who were all instrumental in

providing a successful experience: Joel Lopez, Michelle Kalous, and Kaley Kukus. Mr. Byall would like to point out that Joel and Kaley are now veterans of three years of Summer Ecology and helped make the program one of extreme importance in Woodlin's science department. Additionally, Michelle took on the role of captain at a very late date and performed remarkably.

Summer Ecology is often taken for granted by many in the school and community; however, it could not exist without the tremendous effort and assistance of its supporters. We would like to thank the following for making this year's awesome trip a reality: Debbie Atwater and the Gifted/Talented program at Woodlin; Mr. Tim Sharp for making sure the vehicles we drove were safe, comfortable, and ready to be put to the test—he'll never know just how

severe that test can often be, although we try to be kind to our rides; Mr. and Mrs. Manley for their generous financial contribution; and the school board of Woodlin R-104 for recognizing how great this program is and how desperately our school needs opportunities like this.

For more information, or questions about how your child can participate in future Summer Ecology classes and HERD activities, consult a student that has had experience in these areas, contact Kaley Kukus (HERD president) or call the school at 386-2223 and talk with Mr. Byall—HERD and Summer Ecology Director.



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Monthly Wisdom

"I am only one: but still I
am one. I cannot do
everything, but still I can
do something. I will not
refuse to do the
something I can."
--Helen Keller

Woodlin Community and Staff,

I would like to express my gratitude for all the thoughts, prayers, and cards that I have received during my fight with cancer. I would especially like to thank the staff for going above and beyond and donating to the sick bank. This will help my family tremendously and will allow me to focus on my recovery. It has made it easier to keep a positive attitude knowing that so many care.



Thank you, Karen McCracken

You're in the Yearbook!

Now Available - Don't miss out



What a bargain **\$25**

See Mrs. Atwater

Previous years are also available

Fast forward 25 years. That CD, video game or iPod will be long gone and forgotten. Your yearbook will travel through the years intact. Choose a forever memory! Buy your yearbook soon!!!