

February Newsletter 2010

Dear Parents and Community Members,

Christmas vacation ended January 4th. January was a very eventful month at Meadows Valley School. Meadows Valley basketball, for both the boys and girls teams, has provided great entertainment for the New Meadows community. All of our teams are having a winning season. Our hope is that we will see our varsity teams go to state this year! Come and support Meadows Valley basketball. Elementary basketball started January 16th. These young players are our future. Junior high basketball practices will start for the boys and girls on February 8th. Check the school website for details about the times for practices and games.

The month began with former alumni students coming to the school library on January 6th. They shared their college and military experiences with the purpose of inspiring our juniors and seniors to pursue military and civilian career paths. Alisha Pope our school counselor put together the event and you can view the photos and more information about it on the Counselor Corner webpage.

On January 14th, twenty students in grades 4th through 8th grade participated in the National Geographic, local Meadows Valley School District Geography Bee. Grayson Anyan a 7th grader was our first place Geo Bee Champion. The runner up was Greg Gregerson a 6th grader. Parents and students in the audience also participated in the Geo Bee. Thank you to all those who participated and helped make this year's Geography Bee a great success.

I would like to thank the Adams County Health Center for continuing to service our student's dental needs. They conducted a sealant clinic on November 5th. On January 19th they came once again and administered fluoride treatments. We really appreciate all they have done for our students.

First semester ended on January 21st and our second semester began on January 25th. We are now in the second half of our school year. We anticipate great things ahead for the new semester. Meadows Valley Winter I.R.I (Idaho Reading Indicator) for grades Kindergarten through 3rd grade is scheduled for February 9th & 10th. Please make sure your children get plenty of rest the night before these important tests days!

The elementary student awards for academics, citizenship, and most improved were honored on January 14th. You can view a list of those students on the elementary website by clicking on the students of the month link on the navigation bar. Another elementary awards assembly is scheduled for February 4th at 8:15 A.M. If you have an elementary student, you are invited to attend.

The Parent Involvement Policy for our Title I program has been approved and a parent involvement committee has been created. The purpose of the committee is to help come up with ways to better involve parents in helping provide a high quality education for our students. On the Parent Information page or the Title I page found on the elementary website you may click on the link to read the Parent Involvement Policy. If you have any further questions, please e-mail me at dflaming@mvsd11.org. Look for articles about reading on the Title I webpage as well.

It is important that you visit Power School regularly to check the grade status of your student(s). If you need your log in information, contact Erin at the school office or call 347-2411.

I am proud to be a part of the Meadows Valley school community. Thank you for your support. My door is always open. It is a privilege to be a part of this great community!

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