

Ellsworth Public School Newsletter

October 2016

Great Start to the 2017-18

When students arrived this year they were welcomed with some new looks within the building. Many were surprised on how quickly some paint here and there can change the look of a classroom or just placing some new flooring in a spot or two makes things look brand new. I can say the students have taken a big sense of pride in how the building is looking and they are working hard to make sure it continues to look this way. I am very proud of our student body and staff this year and very thankful to everyone in the community that helped make this happen.

Lock Downs

You will hear more and more about the school looking at how to handle lock down procedures and how we practice them. We are very good on how we practice fire drills and now our objective is to get just as good practicing lock down drills. I can remember many years ago when I was in school we not only practice fire drills but we also practice drills that included ducking under one's desk in case of a nuclear attack or something very similar to that. Unfortunately in today's world we need to also work on practicing lock downs. Now there are many different types of lock downs that can happen. Some examples are: Suspicious person in the area, locker searches, a chemical spill in the area to a full blown intruder in the building. This year our staff and students will be practicing many different types throughout the school year. If at any time you have any questions on the drill practices please feel free to give me call.

Weight Room

At the last school board meeting the school board made a change on opening the weight room to the general public. A year or so ago when we made a key change to the building it also changed who had access to the building including access to the weight room. What we are now moving towards is using our community service program to have someone staff and supervise the weight room area. We are very fortunate to have found a person to help in this area. So starting October 1st the weight room will be open to the public from 3:30 pm to 8:00 pm Monday – Friday. The cost to use the facility during this open time will be \$10.00 per month. We are hoping that over time and as usage increases we will be replacing the equipment in the weight room and increase the hours. The person supervising the weight room has stated they are very excited to help people get interested in using the facility and is also open to holding class in other exercise/aerobic areas. Again if you have any questions on the changes please give us a call.

Looking Ahead

The fall season always brings fun and exciting things into the school setting. We will be celebrating homecoming, visiting the pumpkin patch and apple orchard, having parent teacher conferences and enjoying a traveling singing group perform for us to name a few. If you have any interest in any of these items please watch our web site www.ellsworth.mnmt.org for announcements and details or give us a call if you would like to become involved.

Enjoy the Fall Season

John R. Willey, Superintendent/Principal

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BREAKFAST

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
THIS INSTITUTION IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER	ALL BREADS ARE WHOLE GRAIN RICH			
2 Cereal Toast/Jelly Fruit Juice Milk	3 French Toast Sticks/Syrup Sausage Link Fruit Juice Milk	4 Breakfast Pizza Fruit Juice Milk	5 Glazed Donuts Fruit Juice Milk	6 Cereal Toast/Jelly Fruit Juice Milk
9 Cereal Toast/Jelly Fruit Juice Milk	10 Pancake on a Stick/Syrup Fruit Juice Milk	11 Ham-Egg- Cheese on a Biscuit Fruit Juice Milk	12 Long Johns Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk	13 Cereal Toast/Jelly Fruit Juice Milk
16 Cereal Toast/Jelly Fruit Juice Milk	17 Waffles Sticks w /Syrup Sausage Link Fruit Juice Milk	18 Egg Bake Fruit Juice Milk	19 MEA	20 MEA
23 Cereal Toast/Jelly Fruit Juice Milk	24 Pancakes w/ Syrup Fruit Juice Milk	25 Sausage-Egg- Cheese on a Croissant Fruit Juice Milk	26 Cinnamon Rolls Fruit Juice Milk	27 Cereal Toast/Jelly Fruit Juice Milk
30 Cereal Toast/Jelly Fruit Juice Milk	31 French Toast Sticks/Syrup Fruit Juice Milk			

Football

The 2017 football season is underway for the Edgerton-Ellsworth Flying Dutchmen. The Dutchmen are currently 2-1 this season. All of the offseason preparation and hard work has paid off so far and we are excited to see what the rest of the season holds in store for us.

The Dutchmen dropped the season opening game at home against Red Rock Central 24-35. The Dutchmen then played Renville County West in Danube where they picked up the victory 46-22. The third game was a close game in Edgerton against Mountain Lake Area. The Dutchmen managed to score a touchdown to tie the game in the final minute and successfully converted the two point conversion for the win. There are 5 more regular season games to play against HL-O, W-WG, H-BC, R-T-R, and MACCRAY.

Ellsworth currently has 3 players on the varsity and junior varsity. Simon Boyenga is a freshman and plays full-back and safety. Robby Armstrong is a sophomore and plays running back and linebacker. Zach Buntjer is a senior and plays offensive and defensive line.

The 2017 junior high football season is also underway for the Edgerton-Ellsworth Flying Dutchmen. The junior high team is also 2-1 this season. The team has played very well to start off the season. The junior high started the season off with a close loss to Hills-Beaver Creek, but rebounded with two wins against Red Rock Central and Mountain Lake Area. They have four games left on the schedule against HL-O, RCW, Fulda, and W-WG.



Ellsworth currently has 3 players on the junior high football team. Lucas Essman is a 6th grader who is the second string quarterback on offense and a linebacker on defense.

The two 8th graders on the team are Cole Boltjes and Peyton Lewis. Cole and Peyton are captains for this year's junior high team. Peyton is the starting quarterback and also starts on defense at defensive end. Cole is the starting running back and also starts on defense at middle linebacker. The football team appreciates all the support given to them from the community and looks forward to continued support for the second half of the season.

Coach Wieck & Coach Palm

WELCOME TO NEW STAFF MEMBERS

Two new teachers have joined the staff at the Ellsworth school. Ms. Jessica Wanner is teaching elementary special ed. She is originally from Willmar, MN and now lives in Ellsworth. Ms. Lauren Stanton is the instructor for the 5th & 6th grade social studies and language arts. She is originally from Round Lake, MN, she is now a resident of Ellsworth. Welcome to these new members of the Ellsworth staff.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Parent -Teacher Conferences
Grades 5-12 October 2
- Holiday Bazaar October 7
- Homecoming Dress up Days
Oct 9-13
- Burger Feed & Bake Sale Benefit
for Trenton Bass
October 12
- Early Dismissal October 18
MEA October 19 & 20
No School
- High School Fall Concert
October 26
- Elementary Halloween Concert
October 30
- Community Halloween Party
October 31
7:00 - 9:00 pm
Fall Book Fair
October 30-November 8
- End of 1st Quarter November 3

COMMUNITY ED

Tuesday, October 17

Call today and reserve your spot for a cooking class! We will be going to Maxwell Cooking Supply Company in Sioux Falls. Chef Lance White will be in the instructor for the evening. Learn new cooking techniques and ideas. Relax and enjoy the evening!

Tuesday, October 17.
Leaving the school at 5:00 and returning at approximately at 9:30.

The Nobles County Review would love to publish pictures of our sport teams. If anyone has any pictures of Volleyball, Football or Cross Country, please send them to darcy.groen@ellsworth.mntm.org



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LUNCH

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
THIS INSTITUTION IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER	ALL BREADS AND PASTA ARE WHOLE GRAIN RICH	RELISHES OR SALAD BAR ARE OFFERED DAILY		
2 Shrimp Poppers Macaroni and Cheese Baked Beans Fruit Milk	3 Goulash Green Beans Dinner Roll Fruit Milk	4 Ham and Cheese on a Bun Baked Beans Fruit Milk	5 Baked Potato w/ Meat toppings Bread Fruit Milk	6 Grilled Chicken on a Bun Broccoli w/ Cheese Fruit Milk
9 Scalloped Potatoes/ w Ham Peas Bread Fruit Milk	10 Fish Nuggets Corn Bread Fruit Milk	11 Hamburger on a Bun Baked Beans Fruit Milk	12 Chicken Noodle Soup Cinnamon Roll Crackers w/ Cheese Fruit Milk	13 Hot Dog on a Bun Sweet Potato Fries Fruit Milk
16 Chicken Fried Steak Baked Beans Bread Fruit Milk	17 Tater Tot Hotdish Green Beans Bread Fruit Milk	18 Italian Bread w/ Meat Sauce Corn Fruit Milk	19 MEA NO SCHOOL	20 MEA NO SCHOOL
23 Corn Dogs Chips/Salsa Peas Fruit Milk	24 Pizza Carrots Fruit Milk	25 Mr Rib on a Bun Dk Green Lettuce Fruit Milk	26 Chicken Gravy/ Mashed Potato Dinner Roll Fruit Milk	27 Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce Garlic Breadstick Corn Bread Fruit Milk
30 Pork Choppette Carrot Bread Fruit Milk	31 Chicken Nuggets Cream Corn Bread Fruit Milk			

12th Annual

Ellsworth Holiday Bazaar

Saturday, October 7th 9 AM to 1:30 PM

Ellsworth School Gym

Many Gift Giving Ideas Include:

Antiques Bags Books Candies Cards
Cleaning Products Communication Services
Cooking Utensils Crocheting and Knitting Doll Clothes
Flower Arrangements Health and Beauty Aids
Holiday Items Home Decor Horseshoe Crafts
Jams and Jellies Massages and Oils Purses Quilts Rugs

and numerous other items!!

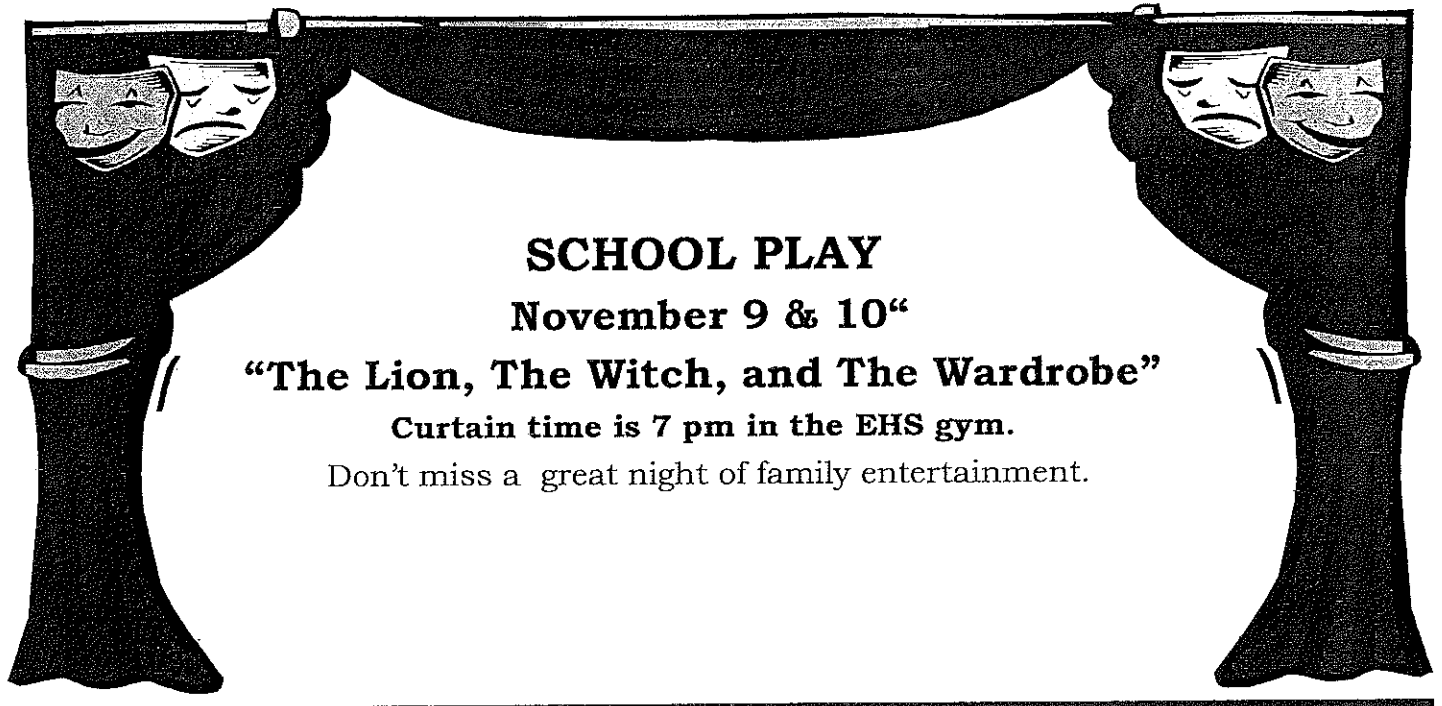
**** Bring a non-perishable food item to donate
to our local food banks****

****Bake Sale Fundraiser by Parkview Manor Volunteers****

A GREAT WAY TO SHOP ALL IN ONE PLACE!!

EHS Band serving rolls in the morning and offer a lunch around noon!!

Student Council Helping Vendors and Selling Popcorn!!



SCHOOL PLAY

November 9 & 10

“The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe”

Curtain time is 7 pm in the EHS gym.

Don't miss a great night of family entertainment.

Fall Play

This year, Ellsworth High School is performing “The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe” on November 9 and 10. It is based on the novel by C.S. Lewis and has been dramatized for the stage by Joseph Robinette. It is a story about courage, redemption, family, and good vs. bad. It takes place in a magical country where beavers talk and unicorns exist. It is sure to be an unforgettable experience.

During the month of October, we will be building the set and gathering costumes for the play. One of the biggest things we will need is Christmas Trees. If you have any that are relatively easy to set up, big or small, and would be willing to donate them for the play, please let either myself or a cast member know. If you have any costume pieces, like sweater vests or fake swords, that you think would work and would like to donate them to the play as well, let us know. We will return everything back either on the night of November 10 or the following Monday.

I have sent home play practice schedules with both the cast members and the backstage crew. The practice schedule will also be online to view as well. For the most part, play practice will be every morning at 6:30 am. The play will be performed November 9 & 10 at 7:30 pm in the school gym.

If you have any questions, you can contact me at the school or through email (rachel.kramer@ellsworth.mntm.org).

-Rachel Kramer

Fall Homecoming Days

Ellsworth High School will have their Fall Homecoming during the week of October 9 -13. There will be two home volleyball games to attend on both Thursday and Friday to cheer on the Panthers volleyball team, as well as dress up days for both students and staff. The dress up days are as follows:

Monday	Pajama Day
Tuesday	Nerd Day
Wednesday	America Day
Thursday	Pink Out Day
Friday	Maroon & Gold Day

**Benefit for Trenton Bass
Thursday, October 12 5-7
Burger feed & bake sale**

**The BURNING OF THE E will be
after the volleyball game on
Thursday, October 12.**

KINDERGARTEN NEWS

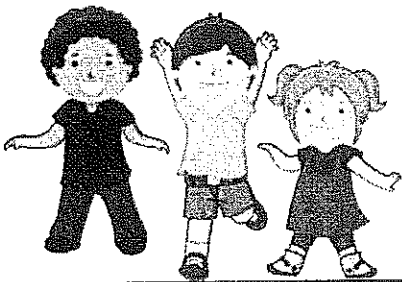
We have had a wonderful start to our Kindergarten year. In the Kindergarten class this year are: Breeanna Blair, Ava Boltjes, Makenna Boltjes, Caitlin Custer, Kelsey Deutsch, Ashlee Dykstra, John Essman, Lauren Gaul, Valentine Jenniges, Nicholas Lenz, Walker Lynn, Tyler McNuss, Luke Nath, Griffin Schilling, and Aiden Timmer.

During our first few weeks of school, we have been getting to know each other, learning classroom rules and routines, and following directions. We start our day with a greeting song, talk about our schedule, the weather, and days of the week.

Each day we learned lessons from how to blow our nose to how to be a good friend. Each day had a fun book and art project or activity to go with it. We have moved on to learning more about our names and reviewing the letters of the alphabet and how to write them, focusing on a letter a day.

This class loves learning about new things and they are always eager to know more. I'm looking forward to the coming year and continuing to learn and grow with them!

Ms. Fick



Junior High Volleyball

The junior high volleyball team has been working very hard on many different skills and learning how to play the game of volleyball. Overall, I have been very impressed with their improvement and dedication to the sport. In the month of September the 6th, 7th, and 8th graders had a total of six matches and a Jam-boree in Adrian. The team has one tournament and one remaining match, with the last one being away on Oct. 6th. This year's junior high team includes: Brynn Boyenga and Katie Buntjer (6th graders) Paige Bixby, Cecelia Lenz, Matilyn Mulder, and Claire Popkes (7th graders) Kassidy Nussbaum (8th grader).

Coach Leah Deutsch

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Ellsworth Community Ed Cooking Class

Maxwell's Kitchen Supply in Sioux Falls

Tuesday, October 17

Class is 6:00—8:00 pm

Cost is \$20.00

We will leave school at 5:00 pm

Enjoy a cooking class with Chef Lance White from Sioux Falls.

There will be a time to explore the cooking & baking inventory of the store

Join us for an evening of fun cooking ideas and creativity!

Class size is limited so call early!

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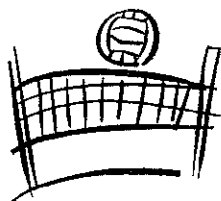


VOLLEYBALL

The 2017-2018 Panther Volleyball team consists of seniors Kristi Kooiker, Devin Dreesen, Madyson Domeyer and McKenna Hinrichs; Juniors Sierra Smith, Grace Mulder and Lizzie Chapa; Sophomores Ashlyn Meester, Morgan Dreesen, Kallie Chapa, Madyson Bixby and Kaitlyn Carlson; Freshman Kendra DeBeer and Eighth grader Kassidy Nussbaum. The Junior Varsity consists of Juniors Sierra Smith and Grace Mulder; Sophomores Ashlyn Meester, Morgan Dreesen, Kallie Chapa, Madyson Bixby and Kaitlyn Carlson; Freshman Kendra DeBeer and Eighth grader Kassidy Nussbaum. Along with fellow Seventh graders Matilyn Mulder and Claire Popkes.

Our years focus has been working on our endurance along with getting stronger in the weight room and with circuit drills. We have seen much improvement in the first few weeks of volleyball and because of that a few wins already this season which we are very proud of. We credit those wins to hard work and determination on and off the court. Another main focus for the Lady Panthers Volleyball team is serve receive and control on serves and hits. We have also tried to implement jump serves and the use of a libero, Lizzie Chapa, this year. Danielle DeBeer and myself have had a great year coaching the girls so far and are excited to see what the rest of the year has in store for us.

Coach Jess Albrecht



Cross Country 2017

It is hard to believe, but we are already about half way through the cross country season! This year is an exciting year for the program because we have an increase in numbers, enough to be able to field a team to score at meets. We have a total of 5 boys out for cross country this year, 2 returning and 3 first year runners. Returning from last year is Linkin Bossert and Micah Onken, and joining them is Carter Boyenga, Sean Boltjes, and Kade Boltjes.

So far this year we have competed at 4 meets. The boys had a chance to gain a lot of experience early by running 3 meets within the first week of school. Our first meet was in Sibley, where the flat course helped get the boys off to a great start with some solid times. Two days later we had our first experience with a more challenging course in Tracy, but the boys ran strong and finished well. Probably our toughest test of the season came in our third meet of the year out at Lake Pahoja, with West Lyon hosting the meet. The course is a true test of a runner's strength, and it was the first time running in the mid-September heat. It was a tough race for the team, but it helped us become mentally and physically stronger going forward. Our last race was in Windom, where the weather was about as perfect as it can be for a meet. The course didn't provide too much of a challenge as far as terrain either, and with a full week of practice we were able to bounce back with improved times, including a couple personal bests.

This season our main goal is to continue to gain experience with each meet. This is everyone's first experience with running high school meets at 5 km. Distance running takes time to get down, but I feel like as we progress through the season everyone is getting a good feel for how they need to run. In practice we focus on pace, running form, flexibility, and core/upper body strength to help ourselves improve. We have also been focusing on nutrition and hydration habits to best prepare for running at practices and meets.

Our remaining meets are Sept. 26th in Slayton, October 5th in George, October 10th in Adrian, and October 16th is our conference meet in Mountain Lake. There are a couple meets close by, so if you would like to support the team or would just like to see what the experience of a cross country meet is like we would love to see you at the meet and greatly appreciate the support! Go Panthers!

Ethan Van Briesen, Head Cross Country Coach



The Ellsworth Panther Band Annual Wreath Sale

The band is selling beautiful, greenhouse prepared, balsam Holiday wreaths.

For only \$25.00

Decorate your house or give as a gift!

All wreaths must be paid for at the time they are ordered.

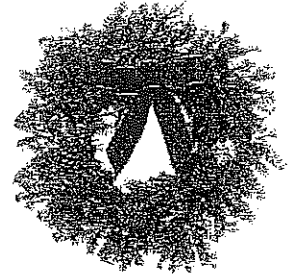
*Please make your check out to the
Ellsworth High School Band.*

The expected delivery will be the week of Thanksgiving.

*You may contact a band member
or call the school...*

Orders are due October 13, 2017

*Support the
Ellsworth Panther Band.*



ANNUAL FALL BOOK FAIR

October 30—November 8

High School Library

8:00—3:30

ALSO OPEN DURING
PARENTS -TEACHER
CONFERENCEES

November 6

Until 8:00

All profits from the book fair
return to the school libraries

