

Valley News



October, 2023

Dear Parents,

The Wooly Worm Derby at Charm Days is coming up on Friday, October 13th. A note was sent home on Wednesday with Flat Ridge students. Please make sure students dress for the weather. The Wooly Worm Derby starts at 12:15 and will end at approximately 1:30.

On Monday, October 9th, we will be having our first round of safety drills at Flat Ridge and Wise. We practice lockdown and evacuation procedures. We are required to have 3 safety drills each year, in addition to monthly fire drills. I wanted to inform you that the safety drill will be taking place next week in case your child comes home talking about a lockdown.

Sincerely, Casey Travis

Calendar Reminders for October

Thursday, October 19th - 2 hour early dismissal

Friday, October 20th - No school for students - Teacher in-service day

Friday, October 27th - No school for students - Parent / Teacher conferences

3rd Grade Cambium Reading Test

Students in 3rd grade will be taking the Cambium Reading assessment on October 24th and 25th. The 3rd graders take the reading test two times, once in October and again in April. Please try to avoid any absences on October 24th and 25th. Have students get plenty of rest and eat a good breakfast before the test. Thank you.

Report Cards

The first grading period ends on Friday, October 13th. Report cards will be sent home with students on Monday, October 23rd.

Parent / Teacher Conferences

Forms have been sent home to request your preference for conferences. Please send one form per family back to school by October 11th. The schedule will then be completed and sent home.

Tuesday, October 24th – All conferences will be held at Flat Ridge.

Thursday, October 26th – All conferences will be held at Wise.

Friday, October 27th – Teachers are in their own buildings.

*No school for students on Friday, October 27th.

Pre-School Story Time

Information was sent home with the oldest child in the family for our first Pre-School Story Time of the year. It will be held at Flat Ridge on Tuesday, October 10th. There will be two sessions that morning. If you did not receive an invitation, and have a pre-school age child, please call the office to schedule

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Leader in Me

Thank you to the Wise 7th grade students and Mrs. Tschiegg for designing the bulletin board in the hallway. Thank you to 8th grade helpers for working with Troy last week to get the softball diamond ready for the game on Friday.

Leadership Teams were held at Flat Ridge on Tuesday, October 3rd. Students are mixed with other grade levels and split into 5 groups as they participate in stations each month.

The 5 stations are:

- -Team building activities
- -Making birthday cards
- -Cleaning, recycling, taking care of recess equipment
- -Library helpers
- -Making cards Thank You, Get Well, Thinking of You

Magazine Sale at Wise

Students at Wise sold a total of \$18,712 worth of magazine subscriptions. Our proceeds are 40% of the total. Thank you to everyone who participated in the sale. Students have received some of the rewards for selling. Top sellers for each class were:

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5th grade - Derrick Yoder - 27 items
6th grade - Nevan Shetler - 15 items
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7th grade - Rachel Yoder - 22 items

8th grade - Steven Miller - 22 items

Water Reports

Flat Ridge and Wise have the drinking water tested quarterly because we have well water. The latest tests for lead show that we meet the requirements. We are required to make the results available to the public, so the official results are posted on the Flat Ridge and Wise website, under Parent Newsletters.