

HANKINS' HERALD

Our vision is to strive to become the premier school district in the state by growing our tradition of pride through excellence. We exist to give all students hope for a better tomorrow by helping them reach their potential.

Mark your Calendar

Jan 13-24 - **iReady** Testing

Mon., Jan. 20 - **MLK, Jr. Day** -
NO SCHOOL

Wed., Jan. 22 - **Q2 Awards**
Assembly 3rd-5th 10:50 AM

Thurs., Jan. 30 - **Council for**
Drug Free Youth performance

Fri., Jan. 31 - Major Saver-Pizza
& Limo Ride 11:00; Dunk Show
For Fall Fund-Raiser 1:30

Wed., Feb. 12 - 2-hr **Early**
Release 12:45

Fri., Feb. 14 - **Valentine's Party**

Tuesday - P.E.

Wednesday - Music

Thursday - Art

Friday - Library/Tech

Quote: What you DO speaks so
loud that I cannot HEAR what
you say. ---*Ralph Waldo Emerson*

Teacher Information

The best time to contact me is
during my daily planning period
from 8:15-9:00 AM. Please use
the school office phone number at
(573) 659-3175. You may also
send email to:

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Shout Outs & Reminders

• Our class is participating in a "**Souper**" **Bowl Challenge** for charity. For each canned good a student donates, they earn a chance to pull a "Super Bowl-related" slip. Each slip will contain information representing either of the teams playing for the 54th annual NFL Championship: Missouri's own - Kansas City Chiefs or the San Francisco 49ers. The combination of the cans & slips will help make our prediction for the final score of the game. We will collect up through January 31st, and all canned goods will be donated to the local Samaritan Center.





Spotlight Student

Mlyza Johnson

- Favorite Colors: Purple
- Favorite Subject: Science
- Favorite Food: Mac N Cheese
- Favorite Sport: Track
- Favorite Season: Summer
- Favorite Book: *Dork Diaries Series* by Rachel Renee Russell
- Favorite Ice Cream: Cookies N Cream
- In her free time, she likes to draw.
- Someday she wants to be a teacher at Lawson.



Character Plus Monthly Trait:

Hardworking/Motivated

The willingness and desire to work with commitment. Synonyms: diligent, studious, conscientious, driven, or inspired.

• *Congratulations to our 2nd quarter Reading award recipients! **Lion Reader:** Atlas Alley, (Jocelyn Contreras), Landon Holleman, Carson Jenkins, & Natalie Price. **King Readers:** Severus Beeler, Danette Borde-Koufie, Emrie Gruenberg, & William Lin. **Cub Readers:** Willie Cox, Anthony Forrest, Zane Kimball, Carly Latuszek, Vito Occhipenti, & Alex Stafford. *All of these students also earned the quarterly Goal Getter's incentive party last week.**

What's going on in our classroom this week?

Reading/Writing: The theme for this week is "catching up" and "finishing up" considering the effects the weather has had on our school days. We will finish taking the iReady test this week. The final day to complete it is this Friday, although there may be an extension granted by the district. Students will strive to complete the rough drafts of their informational papers on Native Americans in order to finish typing and adding images with captions and a reference page. We will work on a few more nonfiction lessons about finding the main idea and supporting details, comparing and contrasting texts over a similar topic, and ways to summarize. Our class has also begun a new chapter read aloud in the Mark Twain Award nominee, *Wishtree* by Katherine Applegate.



Math: About 1/2 the class needs to finish the Unit 5 test over dividing decimals, so after we wrap up this & the iReady, we will start with a review of fraction vocabulary. Our new unit is over adding and subtracting fractions with unlike denominators. Our strategy will be to find the least common multiple (use it as the new denominator), then create equivalent fractions before solving the math problem.

Science: We will cover the earth's layers and vocabulary, such as: crust, mantle, core, continental drift, tectonic plates, and faults. Be on the look out for some flash cards to help us study/ review the unit as we go.

Social Studies: This week we will cover a Scholastic News magazine and focus some on Martin Luther King, Jr. Next week our class begins its study of the settlement of Colonial America & discusses influences of early European immigrants on the shaping of our young country.