

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

Mon., Jan. 6 - **Classes Resume**
& **PTO Meeting** 6 PM

Sun., Jan. 12 - Public **Tours** of
JCHS (1 PM) & CCHS (3 PM)

Jan 13-24 - **iReady** Testing

Wed., Jan. 15 - 2-hour **Early Release** at 12:45 PM & **grade cards** go home

Thurs., Jan. 16 - Q2 Lion's Club
reward & Goal Getter's Party

Fri., Jan. 17 - PTO **Hat Day** \$1

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

Monday & Friday - P.E.

Tuesday - Music

Wednesday - Art

Thursday - Library/Tech

Quote: Before you speak:
THINK. **T** is it *true*? **H** is it
helpful? **I** is it *inspiring*? **N** is it
necessary? **K** is it *kind*?

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

- **Welcome Back!** Starting off 2020 encouraging your student to **READ, READ, READ!** Students will pick back up with 100-minute reading logs this week. Pizza Hut - Book It calendars for December are due by Thursday, January 9, to receive a digital certificate for a personal pan pizza for your student's reading. Also, the "Read to Succeed" program (for a free Six Flags ticket) is going digital this year as well...details about this neat reading opportunity will be sent home this week!

- **Goal Getter & Reading award points are due FRIDAY!**

- We will be completing the mid-year diagnostic tests for math and reading in iReady beginning next week. Please, please, please





Spotlight Student

Wisdom Jones

- Favorite Colors: Red
- Favorite Subject: Spelling / Writing
- Favorite Food: Quesadilla
- Favorite Sport: Kickball
- Favorite Season: Summer
- Favorite Books: *Smile* by Raina Telgemeier or *No, David!* by David Shannon
- Favorite Ice Cream: Butter Pecan
- In her free time, she likes to hang out and help out her friends.
- Someday she wants to be a dancer.



Character Plus Monthly Trait:

Hardworking/Motivated

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



encourage your child to do his/her best work in order to see the true progress made since the beginning of the school year. I can't wait to celebrate with them in their success!

- After winter break, I am hoping to keep attendance up and illness down. Please make sure your student is dressing warmly and drinking plenty of water. Staying hydrated & a bit more germ-free is key!

What's going on in our classroom this week?

2nd Steps - Lesson 3 - Anti-bullying

Reading/Writing: After completing individual running records in reading with each student, we will pick back up with our guided reading groups (hopefully without having to retake much ground). In writing, the class will be busy completing their informational papers on Native Americans these first weeks back. Students will focus on smooth transitions between topics, adding images with captions, and completing a reference page. We will also start some additional grammar work.

Math: This week we will wrap up the last lesson in our unit over dividing decimals. We will complete several days of review and plan to take the end-of-unit test on Friday. Be looking for a take-home study guide Wednesday or Thursday. (Warning! There are a lot of word problems on this test...which tend to give students a hard-time. They need to read carefully and use their CUBES strategy!)

Science: We start a new unit over Earth Systems discussing the four spheres: atmosphere, geosphere, biosphere, and hydrosphere. We will explore the topic in small groups by creating and graphing a model of an ocean floor using different landforms.

