

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., Nov. 11 - **PTO Mtg** 6 PM

Wed., Nov. 13 - Q1 **Awards Assembly** (3rd-5th) 10:50 AM

Fri., Nov. 15 - PTO **Hat Day** \$1

Wed., Nov. 20 - 2-hr **Early Release**

Thurs., Nov. 21 - **Picture Retakes** & Safety Patrol, team sports & orchestra photos for yearbook

Fri., Nov. 22 - **Dunk Show** Reward for Fall Fundraiser participants

Tues., Nov. 26 - **Growth & Development Talk** at 1:30 PM

Wed., Nov. 27-Fri., Nov. 29 - Thanksgiving Break **NO SCHOOL**

Monday & Friday - Music

Tuesday - Art

Wednesday - Library

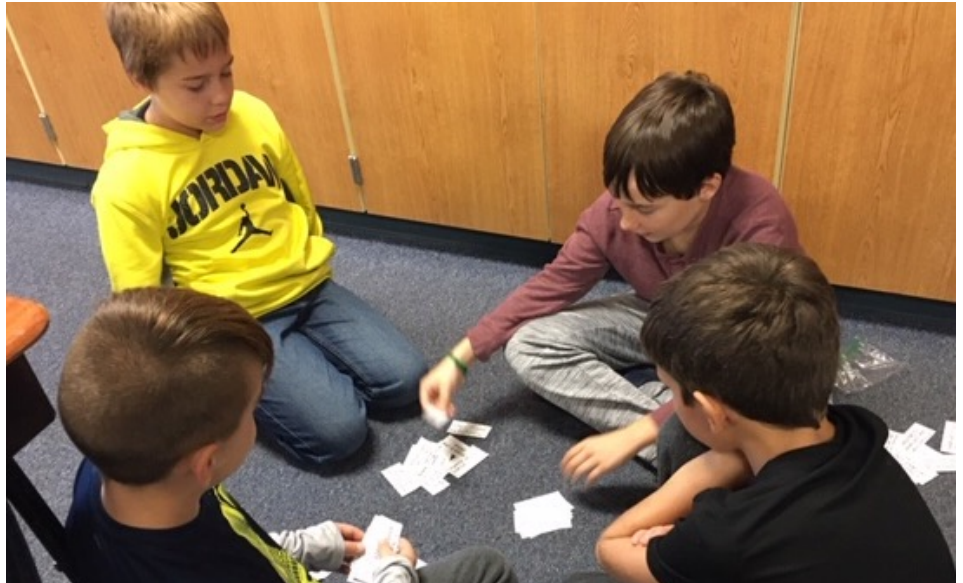
Thursday - P.E.

Quote: "Do what you have to do until you can do what you want to do. ---Oprah Winfrey

Teacher Information

The best time to contact me is during my daily planning period from 9:30 - 10:20 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

- Thanks for coming out to Parent/Teacher Conferences last week. It was so nice getting to discuss your student's progress with you and hear how you & your fifth grader think the year is going so far. Please continue to encourage your child's reading and turning in his/her work on time (specifically the weekly reading log homework). Several of you mentioned the focus on accountability this year...our prepping for middle school is key.

- **3-in-1:** Don't forget to sign planners each night, collect & send in those Box Tops for Education, and bundle up your kiddo (coats, hats, & gloves...sweatshirts are no longer enough)!





Spotlight Student

Alex Stafford

- Favorite Color: Green
- Favorite Subject: Math
- Favorite Food: Peanut Butter
- Favorite Sport: Soccer
- Favorite Season: Winter
- Favorite Book: *Save Me a Seat* by Sarah Weeks & Gita Varadarajan
- Favorite Ice Cream: Birthday Cake
- In his free time, he likes to play with his friends.
- Someday he wants to be a football player.



Character Plus Monthly Trait:

Polite

Showing behavior that is respectful and considerate of other people.
 Synonyms: well behaved, courteous, good-mannered, and gracious.

• **Boys & Girls Basketball** is in full swing. *Games this week:*

Girls Team: Tues., 11/12 at Moreau Heights 6:45 PM vs. North,

Boys Teams: (Young) Tues., 11/12 at Pioneer Trail 5:45 PM vs.

South; (Jones) Thurs., 11/14 at Cedar Hill 6:45 PM vs. East;

(Young) Thurs., 11/14 at Lawson 7:45 PM vs. Thorpe Gordon

What's going on in our classroom this week?

2nd Steps Lesson: Emotion Management (*Stop, Name the Feeling, Calm Down*)

Reading: This week our focus is on determining point-of-view, using context clues to unlock the meaning of difficult words, and discovering how an author can make foreshadowing/flashbacks work. We are completing several lessons on punctuation: how it changes meaning, when to use commas, and understanding what's needed for showing dialogue. Students will begin publishing his/her memoir with the proper punctuation and create cover page artwork. An assessment over fictional reading/writing will occur later this week and into next.

Math: We will take the Unit 3-Division of Whole Numbers test on Monday/Tuesday, then we will begin concentrating on multiplication of decimals starting with finding patterns & multiplying a decimal by a whole number.

Science: Students reviewed for the first unit test by going over the study guide & by playing a game of Kahoot! "States of Matter" test is Tuesday. Our next unit will be over "Layers of the Atmosphere."

Social Studies: Last Friday we wrote letters and colored pictures that were distributed at Hy-Vee's Veteran Day breakfast. This week I hope to begin our initial discussion about a few Native American groups: Hopi & Woodlands/Iroquois.

