

GENERAL GAZETTE



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November 15, 2024

Upcoming Dates

November

- 1-18 Winter Spirit Wear Sale
- 19 MAPS Meeting (7pm – Media Center)
- 22 Movie Night (Maumee Indoor)

25-29 NO SCHOOL Fall Break

December

- 2 Texas Roadhouse Gift Card Sales End
- 5 - 6 Secret Santa
- 9 Board Meeting @ Board Office (6pm)
- 12 3rd Grade Music Program (7pm)
- 17 Reverse Caroling @ Monclova (5:30 – 6:30pm)
- 18 Dine-to-Donate – Marco's Pizza

23 – 31 NO SCHOOL Winter Break

January

- 1 NO SCHOOL Winter Break**
- 11 Bowling Bash
- 16 End of 2nd Quarter
- 17 NO SCHOOL Teacher Work Day**
- 20 NO SCHOOL Martin Luther King Day**
- 20 Dine-to-Donate – Texas Roadhouse (3 – 10pm)
- 28 MAPS Meeting (7pm – Media Center)
- 29 Ohio Skate Night (6pm)

FROM THE DESK OF MRS. MURRY



First and foremost, THANK YOU, to all of the Monclova families who are veterans or have veterans in the family. The students and staff spent Monday honoring our veterans both near and far. Thank you letters and cards were written, the history of establishing Veterans Day was shared by the Generals Council, and

displays of gratitude were created for the building, along with other classroom activities honoring veterans. Monclova is proud to be recognized as a Purple Star School for the work done in staff training and support for our military-connected students and families.

The holiday season is upon us! The Monclova staff wishes students and their families a Happy Thanksgiving. We hope you have time to spend with family and friends during the fall break week. It will be a quick three weeks when we return from fall break, until winter break is here. The month of December is packed with fun events. Secret Santa shopping, 3rd grade music program, staff reverse caroling, and winter parties are always some of the December favorites!



COUNSELOR'S CORNER



Monclova Primary has been a very busy place these past few weeks!

Kindergarten

I am in the process of visiting each of the Kindergarten classrooms to present a drug awareness lesson. The lesson focuses on over-the-counter and prescription drugs, as it discusses making "Safe & Healthy Choices." The students learn that trusted adults can help them to make safe and healthy choices because they help us to feel safe, listen to us, and answer our questions. We also discuss the rules of medicine and how we should only take medicine with the help of a trusted adult – like a parent or a medical professional. We determine that if we are uncertain about the contents of any food, drink, or substance, we "Don't Touch! Don't Taste! Don't Take! – Tell a Trusted Adult!" We also learn about the differences between Safe & Healthy and Unsafe & Unhealthy Choices.

Second Grade

This week, I visited each of the second grade classrooms and presented a drug awareness lesson. The lesson focused on over-the-counter and prescription drugs, as we discussed making "Safe & Healthy Choices." The students learned that trusted adults can help them to make safe and healthy choices because they help us to feel safe, listen to us, and answer our questions. We also discussed the rules of medicine and how we should only take medicine with the help of a trusted adult – like a parent or a medical professional. We determined that if we are uncertain about the contents of any food, drink, or substance, we "Don't Touch! Don't Taste! Don't Take! – Tell a Trusted Adult!" The students learned that safe and healthy choices protect their brain and that it is very important to use medicines correctly, in order to keep their brain and body functioning properly. We also determined the differences between Safe & Healthy and Unsafe & Unhealthy Choices. The students learned and practiced the "Stop, Think, Choose" decision-making model, a strategy that they can use to help them make safe and healthy decisions. Finally, we practiced the best way to say "NO" to peers when presented with an unsafe and unhealthy choice, a skill that is helpful not only when medicine is involved – but also in many other situations.

Third Grade

Last week, I visited each of the third grade classrooms and presented a drug awareness lesson. The lesson focused on

over-the-counter and prescription drugs, as we discussed making “Safe & Healthy Choices.” The students learned about making choices that are right for them, as well as the positive and negative consequences that are associated with our decisions. We reviewed the rules for medication safety, and the students learned how thinking ahead in certain situations can help us to avoid making unsafe and unhealthy decisions. The students also reviewed the “Stop, Think, Choose” model to make safe and healthy choices. They learned how standing up for yourself can be an effective and important strategy to let others know what you want in a manner that they want to listen to you; however, doing so is not always an easy task. The students learned that standing up for yourself involves using good eye contact, while firmly and politely telling others your needs and ideas in a clear and direct manner, without arguing or acting in an aggressive manner. Finally, the students practiced using the skill of Standing Up for Yourself, a skill that is helpful not only when medicine is involved – but also in many other situations.

All Grades

Laney will be turning ten years old on November 26! Our school will be celebrating her birthday during the week of November 18. Please see the attached document for details regarding her birthday celebration!



Angel Tree



Monclova Primary will be partnering with the Monclova Community Center (8115 Monclova Road) to offer our community a Holiday Angel Tree. The tree is decorated with angels listing items for local families in need during the Holiday Season, and it is located

at the Monclova Community Center. The Angel Tree should be ready to go by Monday, November 25. When entering through the front door, the tree is located up the stairs and to the right. Please stop by the Community Center if you are interested in participating in the Angel Tree. The office is open Monday - Thursday from 9am - 4pm. The front door at the Community Center is usually also open during the weekday evenings, as the Community Center often hosts many events and the Angel Tree will be accessible during these times. In addition, there are also many weekend events, so the building is often open during the weekend, as well. If you are interested in picking up an angel over the weekend or in the evening, please call the Community Center during normal office hours at (419) 861 - 1336 to determine whether or not the building will be open. If you see cars in the parking lot, the front door is most likely open, as an event is occurring in the building. If you have any questions regarding the Holiday Angel Tree, please call the Monclova Community Center or contact me at Monclova Primary (419) 865 - 9408. We thank you for your assistance in helping to make the upcoming Holiday Season a memorable experience for our students and families!

Thank you, parents, for supporting the education of our children! GO GENERALS!

Mr. Christopher Buehrer
Monclova School Counselor

POP TAB COLLECTION FOR THE RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE



Reminder that our school is collecting pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. By collecting pop tabs, we benefit the Ronald McDonald House Charities and can also help our school! A collection box is located outside of the office. Please help us donate again soon!

ORDER YOUR Yearbook

The 2024-25 Yearbook link is now available to accept online orders! Deadline for ordering is June 3, 2025. Click on the following link to place your order.

[Monclova Primary Yearbook Ordering Site](#)

Yearbook ID Code: 4282925

Questions: Contact Katie Balla at katie@heiderbg.org

The nurse is looking for donations of gently used boys and girls elastic waist pants sizes: 6, 7 & 8. Donations can be dropped off in the office or sent in with your child. Thank you for your donations!





EARLY DISMISSALS:

We know that reasons for leaving the school day early are unavoidable at times. Early dismissals that are not reported to the teacher/office in advance can cause interruption to the school day. Please keep in mind the following when your child(ren) require an early dismissal at any point throughout the school day.

- A signed note or email sent in to the teacher and moattendance@anthonywayneschools.org AT THE BEGINNING OF THE DAY stating:
 - Name of student
 - Time being picked up
 - Reason for the dismissal
 - State who will be picking up your child(ren) if it is someone other than mom/dad
 - Whether or not the student will be returning

In addition, if your child(ren) are leaving for a doctor's appointment, please obtain a doctor's note to send in with your child(ren) to excuse their absence.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS

DATE:
11/15/24

WHAT WE'RE LEARNING

The students have really been focused on the "why" of P.E. class. First of all, the students understand that P.E. stands for physical education. They also know they have P.E. class for one main reason. That reason is for physical literacy. Physical literacy is when the kids have developed the skills, confidence, and love of movement to be physically active for life.

According to the organization, **Active for Life**, there is a physical literacy life cycle. The life cycle starts when parents encourage movement in their children at infancy. There are many benefits of physical literacy for our students. One is increased self-esteem and happiness. Another benefit of physical literacy is higher test scores. The other major positives of physical literacy for children is reduced risk of heart disease, stroke, cancer, and diabetes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to all of the 5 Star Generals from the months of September and October. They displayed what it means to be a Trailblazer in and out of the classroom setting. Thank you for being such great examples for others and blazing a trail for others.



Physical Activity / Fitness

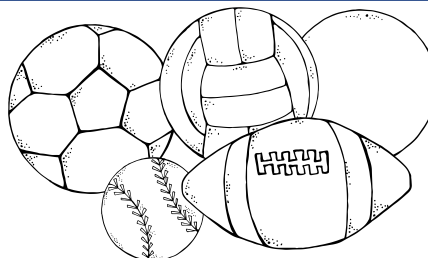
Our classes have focused on the trending sport of Pickleball. The students did a great job learning about the techniques used with the paddle as well as the inner workings of the game. We had a great three week long unit where we focused on dinking, drop shots, resets, serves, volleys, and the overall rules and ways to play the game. The students enjoyed the unit and did extremely well.

**Remember the numbers 10, 3, 2, and 1. These numbers are important to make sure children get a restful night of sleep and can grow to their fullest potential. Ten hours before bed, they should not have caffeine. Three hours before bed, they should not eat food. Two hours before bed, no physical work so their bodies can relax. One hour before bed, the students should not be looking at any screens.

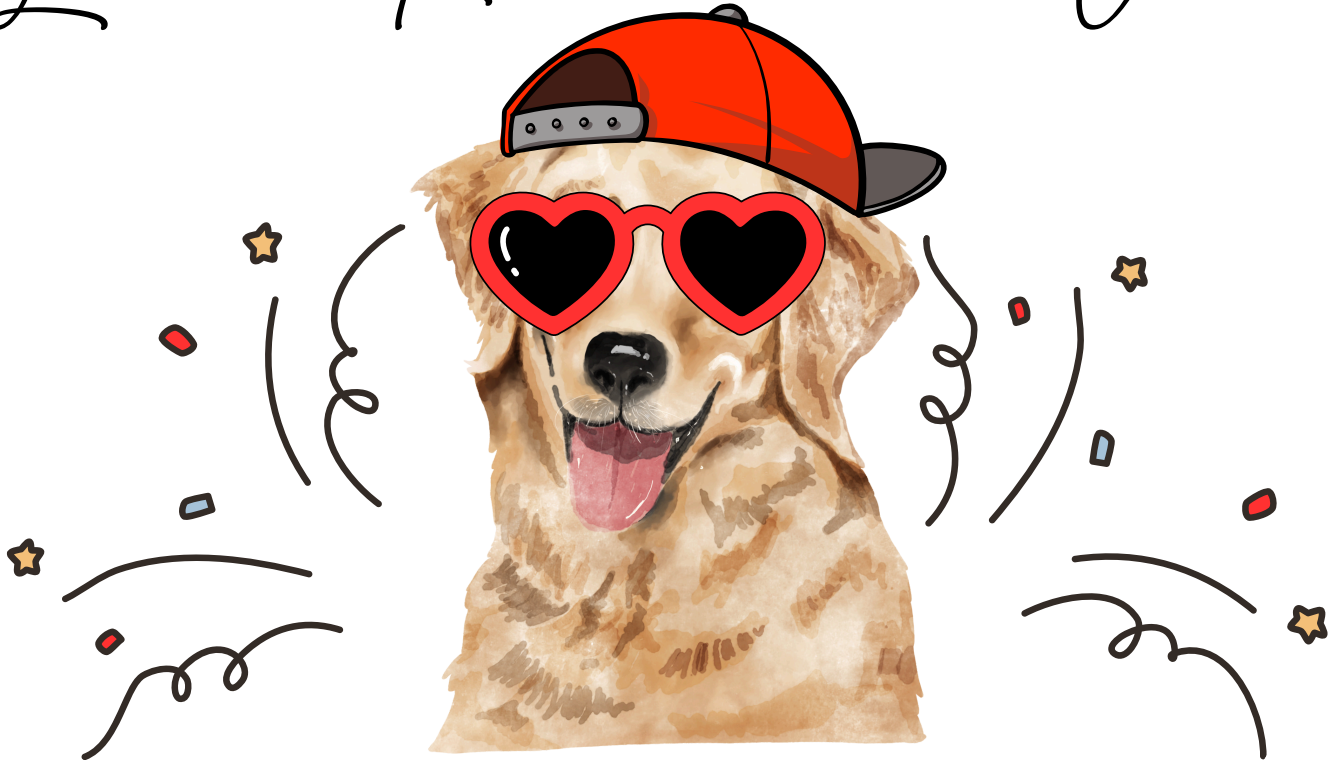
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 It's Pawty Time 
Let's Raise the Woof



Help us Celebrate
Laney turning
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**WEDNESDAY,
NOVEMBER
20TH**

Wear a **HAT** and/or
SUNGLASSES to
celebrate Laney!

**NOVEMBER
18 -22**

We are asking student's to:
**BRING IN QUARTERS
ALL WEEK!**

**ALL
DONATIONS
COLLECTED!**

Will help with Laney's
care and will also help
with the start up cost
of a new therapy dog
for next school year!

NATIONAL

FAMILY

LITERACY

MONTH

READ A STORY WITH US!

Celebrate the joy of storytelling
by listening to books read by our
AWHS students!

New stories posted several times per week.



Join us as we
encourage a lifelong
love of reading!

www.AnthonyWayneSchools.org/Literacy

Breakfast with Santa!

Saturday December 7th, 8:00-11:00

Shawn's Irish Tavern, 105 S 3rd St, Waterville



Adults \$12, Children 2-8 yrs \$8

Children under 2yrs Free

(Cash or Venmo Only)

Pancakes, eggs, sausage,
milk, OJ or coffee

**Take your own
Pictures w/ Santa!**

Proceeds benefit the
Anthony Wayne HS Softball Program