

Spring Bluff R-XV Home of the Pirates

10.01.21 Newsletter



Upcoming Events

- 10/4 Open Library
3:15-4:30 p.m.
- 10/4 Chess Club
3:15-4:30 p.m.
- 10/7 Fine Arts Club
3:15-4:30 p.m.
- 10/15 Kidsight Vision
Screening for grades
K, 1, 3, 5 & 7

10/26 Parent Teacher Conf.
& 10/28 4:30-7:30 p.m.

10/22 No School

10/25 No School - TWD

10/28 Picture Retakes

Stay current by checking the
event calendar on our
website.



8th Grade Class Officers: President-Abby Record, Vice President-Allie Brune, Secretary-Tessa Newman, Treasurer- Keaten Keller.

NEW SPRING BLUFF APPAREL

8th Grade Fundraiser is now underway!
Get your new Spring Bluff Apparel through
Sports Image. The link is below and you can
also access it on our school website. Last
day to order is Friday, October 15th.
[https://www.cognitofrms.com/SportsImage
2/SpringBluffonlineOrderForm](https://www.cognitofrms.com/SportsImage2/SpringBluffonlineOrderForm)



Cheer Coach Needed

Please contact Ms. Block
bblock@springbluffpirates.com
if you are interested.

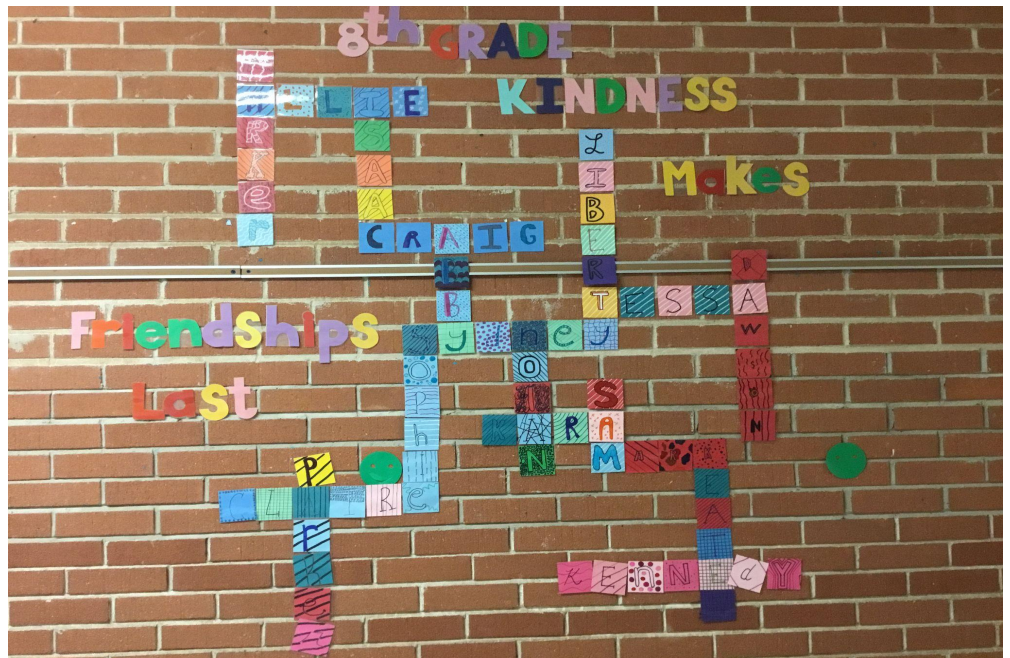
AMAZING ARTISTS AT SPRING BLUFF

(more pictures to come next week)



Pictured Clockwise:

- Kindergarten & 2nd Grade International Dot Day & Weaved Pumpkins
- 3rd Grade Kandinsky inspired Concentric Circles
- 8th Grade Kindness makes Friendships Last
- 6th Grade Autumn Reduction Print Making
- 7th Grade Warm & Cool Color Blending



Counselor's Corner

Mrs. Dugger - School Counselor
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Problem-Solving

This week in our guidance lessons we have been talking about Problem-Solving. In Kindergarten and First Grade, we discussed the difference between tattling and reporting. Tattling is when there is a problem that you can solve yourself or that doesn't need to be solved right away. Reporting is when someone or something is in danger and it needs to be reported right away. We read the book Tattle Tongue by Julia Cook.

In Second through Fourth Grades we discussed the STAR Problem-Solving Method and how we can find a win/win solution to our problems. STAR stands for Stop, Think, Act, Review. Students put this method to the test by practicing with partners working through different scenarios.

Problem-Solving is a good skill for students to work on to develop their abilities to overcome obstacles and find a solution that best resolves the issue.

Mental Health

In grades 5-8, we are focusing on ending the stigma behind mental health. We are also working on identifying trusted adults and discovering the best way to approach a trusted adult with sensitive, hard to discuss topics. Fifth Grade is using the Level I: We All Have Mental Health curriculum and 6-8 Grade is using the Level II: Depression Awareness curriculum, both from Erika's Lighthouse. Find more information at: <https://www.erikaslighthouse.org/>

BOX TOPS



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SEE THIS...
SCAN YOUR RECEIPT

You can clip and send in Box Tops to our school or use the Box Tops app to scan your

store receipt within 14 days of purchase. When you download the app, it will ask for the zip code then choose Spring Bluff. The app will automatically find the products and instantly add Box Tops to our school's earnings online. Thank you for your support.

Basketball/Cheer Activity Registration needs to be completed by Friday, October 15th, 2021. The registration link can be found on our website under the Athletic tab.

WEBSITE:

<https://www.springbluffpirates.com>

Volleyball Picture Schedule

MONDAY, OCTOBER 4TH

- 6th Grade - 4:15 p.m.
- 7th Grade - 4:30 p.m.
- 8th Grade - 4:45 p.m.



SPORTING NEWS & EVENTS



Tuesday, October 5th

6/7 Volleyball @ St. Gertrude 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 7th

6/7 Volleyball @ IC 6:00 p.m.

COVID Reminders & At Home Tests

Please refer to the revised [Safe Return to In Person Learning Plan](#) for information on student quarantines.

Also, please be advised that at home COVID test results will not be accepted or recognized by the Franklin County Health Department or Spring Bluff School.

Individuals who have been fully vaccinated and do not have any symptoms will not have to quarantine if in close contact to a positive person.

Anyone who has tested positive previously will not have to quarantine as a close contact for 90 days from their positive test if the following conditions are met:

- The individual is not showing any symptoms
- Franklin County has a record of the previous positive test result

Any student displaying symptoms should stay home and monitor and consult your child's physician as identified in the Safe Return to In-person Learning Plan.

Bill of Rights Day Contest - \$500 Grand Prize

- The United States Courts of Appeals along with the United States District Courts in the Seventh and Eighth Circuits are hosting the second annual Bill of Rights contest and we want YOU to be a part of it! School aged children in Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin are encouraged to submit art and essays on the importance of the Bill of Rights. Be as creative as you like! Semi-finalists from each District Court will receive an electronic gift card valued at \$50. A grand prize winner from each of the three age groups (3-5, 6-8 and 9-12 grade) will be awarded a \$500 cash prize and be able to take part in a virtual event on Wednesday, December 1 with Federal Judges and other legal experts on the enduring rights afforded to Americans by the Bill of Rights. Submissions will be accepted **Friday, September 17, through 5:00pm on Sunday, October 31.** Submissions should be emailed along with a completed entry form. A blank entry form can be downloaded here: [www.JudicialLearningCenter.org/bill-of-rights-day Teachers](http://www.JudicialLearningCenter.org/bill-of-rights-day_Teachers) - Be sure to tell your students to list you on their submission forms! All teacher names submitted will be entered into a raffle for valuable gift cards. The more students you have enter the more chances you have to win.

Help Needed!

We are in need of substitute teachers for this school year. All applicants must have a substitute teacher certificate issued through DESE or be a certified teacher.

Substitute pay rate with a sub certificate: \$95 per day

Substitute pay rate with a teaching certificate: \$110 per day

October 1st - We are in the **GREEN** zone! See attached for more information.

Spring Bluff R-XV Rubric

COVID-19 Exposure Within the School Environment

GREEN

Range: Active positive cases within the school environment equal to 0-2% of total school population and student attendance is >90%.

Mitigation Protocols:

- Follow Safe Return to School Plan including social distancing, practicing proper hand washing hygiene, staying home when sick
- Mask use indoors is highly recommended but optional.
- Field trips will be considered.
- School gatherings and assemblies are permitted if social distancing can be maintained. Masks will be required if not.
- Visitors without an educational purpose will be allowed with prior approval from administration. Masks will be required.
- Service providers will provide all services in person.

YELLOW

Range: Active positive cases within the school environment equal to 2.1%-5% of total school population and/or student attendance is 85-90% for 3 consecutive days.

Mitigation Protocols:

- Follow Safe Return to School Plan including social distancing, practicing proper hand washing hygiene, staying home when sick
- Masks are required in doors when social distancing of 3 ft cannot be maintained.
- Field trips will be considered.
- School gatherings and assemblies are permitted if social distancing can be maintained. Masks will be required if not.
- Visitors providing essential and educational services are permitted, wear a mask regardless of vaccination status and follow COVID protocols.

RED

Range: Active positive cases within the school environment equal to 5.1% of total school population and/or student attendance is <85%.

Mitigation Protocols:

- Follow Safe Return to School Plan including social distancing, practicing proper hand washing hygiene, staying home when sick
- Mask use indoors is required regardless of social distancing
- Field trips are not permitted.
- School gatherings and assemblies are restricted unless approved and determined to meet social distance and other applicable mitigation strategies.
- Visitors providing essential and educational services are permitted, wear a mask regardless of vaccination status and follow COVID protocols.
- School may transition to distance learning due to the number of positive cases within the school environment, number of staff or student quarantines, staff shortages, or other conditions detrimental to in-seat learning.

***Data will be reviewed on a daily and weekly basis. Transitioning between the levels will occur when criteria is met for each level. Once the school has transitioned to a level, we will remain in that level for a minimum of 10 days and data will be evaluated using data from the last three student attendance days before transitioning left or right on the rubric.**

****Masks are required on school buses per CDC ordinance.**