

Big Hollow Middle School, 26051 W. Nippersink Road, Ingleside, IL 60041

BIG HOLLOW MIDDLE SCHOOL

February NEWSLETTER

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Principal's Message

Third quarter has just begun and it is hard to believe half of the year is over! Spring will bring many forms of student assessment which included state and local testing. ISAT testing, STS testing, MAP, and RtI benchmark testing are among the assessments Big Hollow utilizes. The testing schedule for these important assessments are:

ISAT– Week of March 5

STS– Week of April 22

MAP and RtI Benchmarking– May

More information on upcoming testing will be forthcoming.

Spring Parent-Teacher Conferences are scheduled for **Thursday, February 16 and Friday, February 17**. All parents are encouraged to meet with their child's team. Please call the Middle School office at 847--740-5322 to schedule a conference.

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Big Hollow Spelling
Bee winner
is.....Sydney M!



Congratulations to Sydney and Jonah S., runner up, on their outstanding performance at the Big Hollow Spelling Bee held on January 10. Sydney will compete in the Lake County Sectional Bee at Prairie Crossing Charter School on February 21. Good luck, Sydney!

Important Dates

- 2/7** *Fine Arts Boosters Meeting
7:30-9:30 p.m.*
- 2/8** *Market Day 5:00-6:00 p.m.*
- 2/10** *7th/8th Grade Friday Night Out*
- 2/16** *Early Dismissal-11:00 a.m.
Parent/Teacher Conferences
12:00-5:00 p.m.*
- 2/17** *No School- Parent -Teacher
Conferences 8:00-12:00 p.m.*
- 2/20** *No School– President's Day*
- 2/24** *School Dance*
- 2/27** *Board of Education Meeting*



**SAVE THE FOLLOWING DATES FOR
OUR BAND AND CHORUS CONCERTS:**

**MARCH 15
MAY 15**

**ALL CONCERTS WILL BE HELD IN
THE MIDDLE SCHOOL GYM.
AT 7:00 P.M.**

BIG HOLLOW SINGERS NEWS



The Big Hollow Adult Singers are resuming rehearsals for our community chorus! Beginners are encouraged to attend!!! Rehearsals will be scheduled for most 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of every month from 7:30 – 8:30 p.m. in the band room at the Middle School. Please see the performance website under the activities icon for a schedule, or email Ms. Dee (msdee@bighollow.us) for further details. I hope to see you there!

Mark your calendars for the Big Hollow Middle School Fine Arts Boosters' first annual dinner Theater on Friday, March 2, 2012. This year's theater production will be a murder mystery with performers mingling in the audience. In addition, we will be holding a silent auction. This is an evening dedicated to supporting the Fine Arts Programs at Big Hollow Middle School. More details about this exciting event will be forthcoming.

TIPS TO SUPPORT YOUR STUDENT

In the month of February Big Hollow Middle School students will be reflecting on the character trait of Trustworthiness. Lack of honesty and integrity breeds mistrust and has the potential to destroy people's lives, at all ages. According to Daniel Amen, the best predictor of current behavior is past behavior. Our brains remember emotional material. When we see someone as untrustworthy, it is often an emotional event. That is why when people see you as dishonest, unreliable or lacking integrity, their brain is wired to keep that label until it learns otherwise. Overtime, once the brain develops a reason to trust someone, new information can replace old information. Many teens struggle with consistent behavior, and lose the trust of parents or adults. Overtime their behavior becomes more consistent, usually when the prefrontal cortex becomes more fully developed in their mid-twenties. Encourage your students to articulate their goals more often. Integrity is being who you say you are. Sometimes students choose for integrity and sometimes they do not. Sometimes adults choose for integrity and sometimes they do not. Think about your long-term goals. But think about how your behavior fits with your goals overtime. When we live up to our commitments or goals, the bonds of trust are strengthened.

6th Grade Reading



Since September, the sixth grade students listed below completed the reading initiative program, Chicago Slaughter First Down Reading Program. The students had to read five books outside of the classroom to receive 2 ticket vouchers to a 2012 Chicago Slaughter professional indoor football game, a free kid's meal courtesy of Buffalo Wild Wings, and a free game card from GameWorks. Congratulations to them for their reading success!

Chris A., Kendra B., Sierra B., Allyse B., Paige B., Bryce C., Helen C., Kevin C., Stephanie D., Kylie D., Heather E., Kyle F., Jerusha J., Samantha K., Kennedy Ki., Kyle K., Kai K., Madeline L., Conner L., Michael L., Connor M., Nick M., Joseph M., Mae M., Erik M., Sydney M., Chad M., Megan M., Ayan O., Jason P., Zack P., Aaron P., Alli P., Alex P., Rachael R., Joanne R., Simon R., Ariyona R., Michelle S., Carlie S., Andee S., Jennifer S., Azam S., Ryan T., Vanessa V., Evan V., Garret W., Kayla W., Hailey Y.



Confused? Join us on February 16!

Does Facebook, MySpace, Twitter, Tumblr, and Reddit have you perplexed? Are you Net and mobile device savvy? If you are a parent feeling left behind in the age of social media and texting, Grant Community High School will be hosting an educational session on February 16 at 7 p.m in the Auditorium. Sarah Migas from the High Tech Crimes Bureau of the Illinois Attorney's General office will speak. She will provide resources to parents and community members dealing with these issues. For more information please contact Eric Taubery at etaubery@grantbulldogs.org or 847-587-2561 x 272.



This month's recycling proceeds will go to eighth grade. Please feel free to bring in paper to drop off in the recycling bin located in the middle school parking lot.

February 10 marks the end of the Ronald McDonald House pop tab collection, so all students are encouraged to continue bringing in pop tabs! Remember, the winning grade level will get to watch a movie. On the 24th, student council will be hosting its choice dance. Sixth through eighth graders will be voting on its theme this month. Have a superb February!

SECOND QUARTER ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE HIGH HONOR ROLL

6th Grade High Honors

Mustafa A
Kevin C
Stephanie D
Paula D
Jacob E
Janay F
Noah G
Samantha H
Jerusha J
Samantha K
Kyle K
Madeline L
Samuel L
Sydney M
Megan M
Zachary P
Allison P
Joeanne R
Michelle S
Andee S
Jennifer S
Jacob S
Ryan T
Zakir U
Hailey Y

7th Grade High Honors

Cami B
Mikayla B
Noah C
Kennedy C
Ryan G
Gillian H
Kate K
Samantha K
Ben K
Keyana L
Ameerah M
Aashka P
Joshua P
Ken R
Angelo R
John S
Lauren T
Adriana V
Aishwarya V
Charles W
Jessica Z

8th Grade High Honors

Kaylee A
Rachel B
Brianna B
Austin F
Hannah M
Nathan M
Jerwin S
Taylor S
Jasmine S

SECOND QUARTER ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE HONOR ROLL

<u>6th Grade Honors</u>	<u>6th Grade Honors</u>	<u>7th Grade Honors</u>	<u>7th Grade Honors</u>	<u>8th Grade Honors</u>
Christopher A	Marcus M	Jeremiah C	Alexia R	Arthur R
Benjamin B	Imara M	Ronnel C	Brian R	Michael S
Keagan B	Anthony M	James D	Grace S	Eileen V
Kendra B	Michelle N	Emmanuel E	Lauren S	Alyssa V
Savannah B	Kyle P	Isis F	Jonah S	Michael W
Sierra B	Sierra P	Daria F	Andrea S	Emily W
Allyse B	Jason P	Ashley F	David W	Andrea Z
Neil B	Jasmine P	Adriana G	Madelynn W	
Karleigh B	Aaron P	Gillian H	Sophia W	
Shannon C	Mariah P	Cristian H		
Kaytlin C	Alyssa P	Jacob H	<u>8th Grade Honors</u>	
Bryce C	Rachael R	Brianna K	Christine A	
Jasmine C	Shawn R	Andrew K	Hannah A	
Hannah C	Ariyona W	Samantha K	Katerina A	
Helen C	Daniela S	Zachary K	Ally B	
Kendrew D	Carlie S	Kyle K	Cassidy B	
Kylie D	Azam S	Sidney K	Daniel B	
Heather E	Mark T	Spencer L	Nicholas C	
Ryan F	Alexis T	Amber L	Thomas D	
Dylan F		Katelyn L	Danielle G	
Kennia G	<u>7th Grade Honors</u>	Madison M	Matthew K	
Henry H	Bianca A	Ashley M	Skyler K	
Kelly H	Kyle A	Emily M	McKaylie K	
Meggy K	Edward A	Mercedes M	Ally L	
Katie K	Haley A	Amber M	Jennifer L	
Kennedy K	Dominic A	Jalynn M	Zoe M	
Kai K	Ronald B	Omid N	Moises M	
Makiah L	Kelsie B	Diego O	Michelle N	
Conner L	Brianne B	Jenna P	Payton O	
Austin L	Zachary B	Kayla P	Kayla P	
Michael L	Katie B	Ariel R	Payal P	
Nicholas M	David B	Brittany R	Michelle P	
Joseph Daniel M	Kyle B	Anthony R	Anthony P	
Mae M	Emma B	Brianna R	Gurman R	
	Alexis B	Jasmin R	Rudy R	
			Jacob R	

SAVE THE DATE!

8th Grade
Springfield Trip
TUESDAY, APRIL 4!



8th Grade Springfield Trip-Wednesday, April 4, 2012. We leave at 5:30 a.m. and will return at approximately 10:30 p.m. (Students do not have school on Thursday, 4/5 or Friday, 4/6). Price is \$98.00 which includes coach bus transportation, admission to all sites, and buffet dinner.

More information and forms will be sent home with the 2nd quarter report card.

CHARACTER COUNTS AT BIG HOLLOW MIDDLE SCHOOL!



December Character Trait **TRUSTWORTHINESS**

Be honest • Don't deceive, cheat, or steal • Be reliable — do what you say you'll do • Have the courage to do the right thing • Build a good reputation • Be loyal — stand by your family, friends, and country

Students Recognized for Exemplifying Caring Behavior During December and January

Fifth Grade

Angelia A
Nick B
Rebekah B
Kaitlyn C
Jennifer C
David C
John G
Kayla K
Leona K
Alex L
Matt M
Peter D
Rachael R
Lauren R
Hallie Vs
Alex W

Sixth Grade

Keagan B
Kaytlin C
Alexis D
Nick D
Phillip H
Samantha K
Meggy K
Mae M
Anthony M
Daniela S
Michelle S
Dennis S
Jacob S
Vanessa V
Angelica V
Ashley W

Seventh Grade

Kelsie B
Brandon H
Kayla P
Chris W
Cris H
Mercedes M
James F
Katelyn L
Isabella C
Alex F
Cody W
Andrea S
Gabbie B
Rachael T
Ken R
Emma B
Madelynn W
Gillian H
Lisa B

Eighth Grade

Christine A
Cole B
Cassidy B
Brigid C
Alex C
Brittany F
Austin F
Savannah G
Chace H
Matt K
Skyler K
Bobby L
Hannah M
Tony M
Michelle N
Rodrigo P
Asha R
Alejandro R
Alex R
Jerwin S
Brianna S
Fatmeh T



8th Grade Pictures, and Cap and Gown measuring has been rescheduled for Monday, March 19 in the Board Room. Retakes will be taken on Monday, April 16.

2011-2012 Wrestling Schedule

Date		Opponent	Home/ Away	Time
1/14/2012	Sa	Caruso Tournament (@Deerfield)	A	9:00 a.m.
1/17/2012	T	Tri: Alden Hebron/Park	H	4:15 p.m.
1/19/2012	Th	Round Lake	H	4:15 p.m.
1/23/2012	M	McHenry MS	H	4:15 p.m.
1/25/2012	W	Deer Path (Lake Forest)	A	4:15 p.m.
1/28/2012	Sa	5 Team Round Robin Tournament: Hawthorn North, Carl Sandburg, Park- land, Antioch	H	9:00 a.m.
1/31/2012	T	Palombi	A	4:15 p.m.
2/1/2012	W	Stanton	H	4:15 p.m.
2/4/2012	Sa	Wauconda Tournament	A	TBA
2/7/2012	T	Highland MS (Libertyville)	A	4:15 p.m.
2/9/2012	Th	Millburn	A	4:15 p.m.
2/13/2012	M	Magee (Round Lake)	A	4:15 a.m.
2/15/2012	W	Oak Grove	A	4:15 p.m.
2/18/2012	Sa	Conference Tournament @Alden Hebron	A	TBA
2/25/2012	Sa	Regionals	A	TBA
3/3/2012	Sa	Sectionals @Antioch UGS	A	TBA
3/9/2012	Fr	State Finals @NIU DeKalb	A	TBA
3/10/2012	Sa	State Finals@NIU DeKalb	A	TBA

BIG HOLLOW SCHOOL
2012 GIRLS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
7th Gr. game first and 8th Gr. game second		
Sat. Jan 21	Big Hollow @ Gavin 7th Gr. 8th Gr. (non-conference Game)	10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.
Mon. Jan. 23	0 Big Hollow @ McHenry Middle School "A" and "B" game for each team (non-Conference Game)	4:00 p.m.
Thurs. Jan 26	Big Hollow @ Harrison	4:15 p.m.
Mon. Jan. 30	Montini @ Big Hollow	4:30 p.m.
Tues. Jan 31	Prairie Crossing @ Big Hollow	4:15 p.m.
Thurs. Feb. 2	Big Hollow @ Grass Lake	4:15 p.m.
Tues. Feb. 7	Big Hollow @ North Prairie	4:15 p.m.
Thurs. Feb. 9	Stanton @ Big Hollow	4:15 p.m.
8th Gr. game first & 7th Gr. game second		
Tues. Feb. 14	Park @ Big Hollow	4:15 p.m.
Wed. Feb. 15	Emmons @ Big Hollow	4:15 p.m.
Tues. Feb. 21	Big Hollow @ Alden Hebron	4:15 p.m.
Thurs. Feb. 23	Johnsburg @ Big Hollow	4:15 p.m.
2/27, 2/29 & 3/2	7th Gr. Conference Tournament @ North Prairie or Johnsburg	
2/28, 3/1 & 3/6	8th Gr. Conference Tournament @ Emmons or Park	

