

# PARIS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

**JANUARY 2024** 



## Where's Parry?

Congratulations to Hazel in 1st grade! She spotted Parry in the Cafeteria on top of the walk-in freezer.

If you spot Parry, fill out a slip and put it in the Raffle Box located outside of the Computer Lab. One lucky winner will receive three Paws!



#### **Counselor Connection**

National "thank you" month is celebrated every year in January. It is one of the most iconic and significant celebrations of the year. From the very start of a new year, it teaches us to be kind to others and acknowledge someone's effort to help us. During guidance, we will talk about gratitude. We will also work on conflict resolution.

Ms. Thomas School Counselor

#### Class of the Month Spotlight

#### 4th Grade

Feliz Natal! Joyeux Noel! Frohliche Weihnachten! Krisamasa Ki Bachai! Buon Natale! Feliz Navidad! Geseende Kersfees! Happy Christmas!

Fourth graders worked in small groups and researched Christmas traditions from around the world. Stop by and see the posters they created as visuals for their oral reports.

Students also read the novel <u>The Best Christmas</u> <u>Pageant Ever!</u> by Barbara Robinson. The Herdmans, who were "absolutely the worst kids in the history of the world," somehow managed to get all the main roles in the Christmas pageant - causing a *lot* of chaos. Despite that, it ended up being the best Christmas pageant ever.

Math assignments this week were also Christmasrelated. Ever wonder exactly how many presents "my true love" actually gives during the Twelve Days of Christmas? Ask a fourth grader how to go about finding that answer.

And finally, fourth graders have been rockin' around the Christmas tree as they complete activities for their Earth Science unit.

They wish everyone a joyful and Merry Christmas!

#### DO YOU KNOW THIS STAFF PERSON?

- 1. Mrs. Rennock, Mr. Pye, and Mrs. Weidner were all teachers of mine.
- 2. I played volleyball in college.
- 3. I lost my first tooth in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade.
- 4. I have three daughters.
- 5. Taking a family road trip to the Grand Canyon is one of my favorite childhood memories.

**Answer**: Mrs. Greeno First Grade Teacher





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#### **Paris Enrichment Program**

## ~ Paris School Spelling Bee ~

Dear Paris Families,

It's back! The annual Paris School Spelling Bee is coming! In conjunction with the Scripps National Spelling Bee, Paris will be conducting the Paris School Spelling Bee on **Thursday**, **January** 4<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00am in the Paris gymnasium. Students in grades 4-8 will be participating. You are cordially invited to join us for this special occasion!

Students will be competing among their classrooms and five students from each grade level will be chosen. These students will compete following the rules & guidelines of the Scripps National Spelling Bee contest in January. One finalist from Paris School will be chosen to continue to the Regional Spelling Bee. One runner-up will also be chosen, in the event the finalist is unable to participate.

Please consider joining us in the audience for this special occasion! Congratulations to all classroom finalists!

Mrs. Erbentraut Enrichment Coordinator



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# Enrichment Camps/Events/Classes for Students & Families 2023-2024

#### \*UW-WHITEWATER\*

Whether your child is looking to explore athletics, music, theater, STEM, or more, the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater has a program for you.

All UWW Camps are listed on this website: https://www.uww.edu/ce/camps

<u>Tech Savvy</u> - Saturday, March 9, 2024 (Grades 6-9) Save the date! Registration will open in the Spring.

One-day conference tailored to girls (but open to everyone) in grades 6-9 and their parent(s), to encourage them in STEM fields. Attendees will experience hands-on activities led by professional women in STEM fields. Adults will learn more about working in STEM fields, encouraging their children in STEM, and helping them to prepare for college/technical school. <a href="https://www.uww.edu/ce/camps/additional/techsavvy">https://www.uww.edu/ce/camps/additional/techsavvy</a>

Registration for many of the camps below is already open! Register now!

Music Camps: Various dates in Winter, Spring, & Summer 2024

Camps/Events include: Piano Day, Trombone Day, Sounds N' Visions, Saxophone Day, Cello Fest, Voice Academy, Piano Academy, Young Honors Orchestra, String Academy Junior, Percussion, Rock/Pop/Music Production, Band-Middle School, Band-High School <a href="https://www.uww.edu/ce/camps/music">https://www.uww.edu/ce/camps/music</a>

#### Athletic Camps: Various dates in Winter, Spring, & Summer 2024

- Baseball (One baseball camp is Dec. 27-31!), basketball, bowling, football, cross country, gymnastics, soccer, softball, track and field, tennis, volleyball, wrestling <a href="https://www.uww.edu/ce/camps/athletic">https://www.uww.edu/ce/camps/athletic</a>

Youth Camps: Various dates in June and July

Chatter Matters, ESports Camp, Game Development Camp, Grandchildren's University, Fine Arts Camp, I Want to Be a Teacher Camp, Journalism Camp, PreCollege Programs, Forensics Institute

https://www.uww.edu/ce/camps/additional



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#### **UW-MADISON**

UW-Madison Science Expeditions Campus Open House: Friday-Sunday, April 5-7, 2024 - Open to the public

Talk with researchers, visit science venues across campus, enjoy the Science Spectacular Shows, and try hand and the interactive Science Expeditions Stations. From astronomy to zoology, UW Science Expeditions is the annual campus-wide science open house that connects you to UW people and places all year round.

Website: <a href="https://science.wisc.edu/science-expeditions/">https://science.wisc.edu/science-expeditions/</a> Sample schedule of PAST sessions from 2023:

<u>chrome-extension://efaidnbmnnnibpcajpcglclefindmkaj/https://science.wisc.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/291/2023/04/SciExpMapSchedTime2023-2.pdf</u>

# UW-Madison Engineering Exposition Open House: Saturday, April 20, 2024 - Open to the public

- Explore the world of engineering through interacting with student organizations, lab tours, hands-on activities, live demonstrations, speakers in the field, and members from industry **Website:** https://engineeringexpo.wisc.edu

UW-Madison Badger Pre-College Programs (Grades K-5, 6-8, 9-12)
Spring and Summer 2024 (some week-long and two-week long overnight camps)
Leadership summits, advanced classes, field trips, sports camps and other youth programs
Website: https://precollege.wisc.edu/explore-programs/

#### **MADISON COLLEGE**

Career Discovery Youth Camps (Grades 5-12)

Various classes throughout Jan./Feb./Mar./Apr./May

Truax Campus in Madison

3-day and 5-day camps designed to enhance your child's knowledge and personal growth with exciting hands-on classes, labs, and experiences customized for youth in the areas of art (ages 11-17/younger), welding (ages 14-17), baking/cooking (ages 8+), creative writing (grades 9-12), communication/public speaking (ages 11-17), sign language (grades 6-12), and youth world adventures (no age specified)

Website: <a href="https://madisoncollege.edu/academics/youth-programs">https://madisoncollege.edu/academics/youth-programs</a>