



Highlights

Wednesday, September 20, 2017

Moreland Elementary

Moreland started our year out right by assessing student knowledge, teaching routines, procedures and playground safety. Students learned what it means to be a “Bucket Dipper” and what it means to be a “Bucket Filler.” Students this week are learning about the power of YET! It is going to be a great year at Moreland Elementary! Watch for more exciting new next month.



Riverside Elementary

We, at Riverside Elementary, are working hard and getting into the routine of a new school year. We have had several changes in personnel at our school this year. We are happy to welcome Kenzie Huntsman and Cindy Kofford as 2nd grade teachers, Robin Henicksman as a 3rd grade teacher, Becky Martinez as our Special Education teacher, Sue Johnson as a Special Education Aide, Jiin Yang as a school psych, and Summer Gibbs as a kitchen worker.

The Riverside Staff has been working hard to screen our students using STAR math, STAR reading, and the IRI fluency probe. The data gleaned from these screeners has been very informative and helpful in helping us meet the needs of our students.

We'd like to extend a big thank you to the Blackfoot West Stake for donating school supplies to be used throughout the year for students in need. Their generosity and thoughtfulness is very much appreciated.



Kassidy Munro, a Snake River High School Senior, came to our school and did a safety presentation for part of her Senior Project. She invited two EMT's to come and help. They discussed fire, water, railroad and bike safety. The students certainly learned a lot!

Our PTA is busy getting organized and planning things for our students and teachers. The 8th annual “Run for Riverside” is the PTA's fundraiser and it will be held on October 12th. This has proven to be a fun and successful fundraiser for our school thanks to several local businesses and the wonderful parents of our students. With those funds the past several years, we've purchased classroom desks and chairs, books for the library, curriculum materials, and we have been able to send our students on educational field trips. We sure appreciate our PTA!

Rockford Elementary

On the first day of school we had an assembly to discuss how everything works at Rockford Elementary. Mr. Dougal arrived in style on his motorcycle. Unfortunately, it wouldn't fit in the door but he made a great impression. Everyone thinks he is pretty awesome. We have 2 new teachers, Mrs. Martin and Mrs. VanOrden. They are fitting in very well. We are excited that they are in our school.



Snake River Middle School

As we begin the 2017-2018 school year, we want to welcome both students and staff to the Middle School. Back-to-School Night was held on August 22nd, which gave students and parents the opportunity to meet new and returning staff members at our school. Mr. Bonney will be full time principal in our building this year. We have added new teachers to the 5th and 6th grade, Mr. Cory Loveland, Mrs. Kaitlin Mignin, and Mrs. Kirsten Leavitt. With the addition of special services classrooms, we welcome Dana Romriell, Karen Olinger, and Evelia Diaz. We also welcome support staff with Vivian Kirkham, Cheryl Overmeyer, Steve Peterson, and Kaylee Scott.

We wish to thank the local humanitarian effort for the donated school supplies. We have received new Chrome Books for individual use by each student in all 5th and 6th grade classrooms. Students use the chrome books to enrich and supplement their Math, ELA, Social Studies, and Science classes.

Picture Day was August 30th. Students have received their new library and lunch cards. Picture retakes are scheduled for October 12th.

Teacher In-service was held district wide on September 15th where the topic of bullying was presented. It featured a guest speaker, a question and answer section, and video presentations.

5th grade Girls' Maturation Day will be held at 2:00 on Thursday, September, 21st.

Harvest break will begin Monday, September 25th. Students will return to school on Monday October 9th. We would like to encourage students to read over harvest break. When students return on October 9th, they will need to be at 36% of their reading goal for this twelve weeks grading period. As well as reading ahead, it is also a great time to move ahead on IXL, and math objectives.



Snake River Jr. High School

Back to school and busy, busy, busy here at the Junior High!

August 22nd was back to school night and it was a great success thanks to our staff and the Southeast Idaho Health Dept. We were able to offer again our annual new immunizations for 7th graders entering our school. So a big thanks to them for helping with this. And our teachers were able to greet all of the students and parents. Students were able to get their lockers figured out and find the classes on their schedules. It makes that first day of school go so much smoother.

We would like to welcome new teachers and staff:

Charlotte Reid- math, art and whatever we need

Kevin Curtis- sped teacher

Hernan Martinez- SpEd Aide

Linda Sue Price- SpEd Aide

Susan Carmichael- Head Cook

We love the positive attitude and skills they bring to our school. And we are looking forward to getting to know them better over the year.

Girls volleyball is in full swing. Both 7th and 8th grades are having a successful season so far!!

Snake River High School

Choir

The following activities are happening for Choir:

Oct. 16th, 7:30 pm - Chamber Singers Dessert Night - this is one of our big fundraisers of the year. \$5/person or \$15/family. Besides the group performing together, the students are all performing show type songs in solos or small groups. We also serve delicious homemade desserts for the audience to vote on. It's an evening full of delicious entertainment.

Oct. 17th, 7:30 pm - Fall concert featuring all SRHS choirs. Free.

All music students have the opportunity to complete an audition for the Idaho All-State Choirs, Band, and Orchestra. Many students are trying out.

STAND4KIND Assembly

On Thursday, September 14th, Sierra Benson had her senior project. There was an assembly held that included the Jr. High, where she had a charity organization, STAND4KIND, come and entertain the students while spreading a message of hope. STAND4KIND brought Foreign Figures and 5050BMX for BMX tricks and a concert.



Mixed in with the entertainment, there were stories and reasons to stay kind. The lead singer, Eric, told the story of Sierra's senior project mentor's brother, who recently committed suicide. Through these real life stories, they were able to connect to the students of Snake River and create a bond never seen before in the school.

In the picture, from left to right: Jonny, guitarist; Sandy, tour manager; Seth, bassist; Sierra, Steve, drums; Jonesy, BMX; Eric, lead singer; Ryan, BMX; and Troy, BMX.



Snake River School Community Library

Back in full swing!

With the start of the new school year Snake River School Community Library is back in full swing.

Story Time

The Snake River Library has a new Assistant Librarian. Her name is Melody Rodriguez. She has been working hard to learn the ropes. She is ambitious, is happy and pleasant to our patrons, has great ideas and we love her!

We have been busy all summer with Summer Reading. The theme for this year was "Build a Better World." We received a 400-book grant from Fred Meyers. These books were distributed to our students ages 1-16 during a twelve-week period. We were especially excited that kids ages 10-16 attended more than ever before!

Music makes a better world and we included ukulele lessons as part of our summer program. Phyllicia Lee taught them. We intended to include them for the first two weeks but found that our kids were coming out of the wood

work to learn to play the ukulele. Because of the interest, Phyl taught free lessons two days a week throughout the summer. We had a total of 686 kids who completed our program!

Art classes also continued during the summer. Our own CarolAnn Pange comes in on Friday mornings and teaches classes for kids ages 4-12. She does a great job pulling talent from students with her different theme each week. She has become so popular that she even offers art parties for birthdays, etc.!

Family Library Night was held on September 18 with 85 people attending. Including STEM into the night meant learning about the structure of apples and pumpkins. And because we live in Bingham County, we wanted to include potatoes so we had a potato chip brand tasting contest. A taste testing survey was also included with the apples. The highlight of the night for most was learning ways to help your carved pumpkins last longer and to make your Jack-o-Lantern vomit!

