Red Ribbon Door Winners

The grade-level winners for the Red Ribbon, Say No to Drugs, contest were:

Fourth Grade: Mrs. Conaway & Mrs. Broermann's

Classes

Fifth Grade: Mrs. Estep's Class Sixth Grade: Mrs. Havens' Class

They will receive a popcorn party hosted by Mr. Evans. The building winner for the county contest

was Mrs. Estep's class.

Congratulations!

Red Ribbon Poster Contest

The winners of the Red Ribbon Poster Contest were:

Fourth Grade: Kyle Shonkwiler Fifth Grade: Trista Dever

Sixth Grade: Katie Wheeler & Greg Dillow

Seventh Grade: Jannelle Mannering

Eighth Grade: Molly Cyrus



News from the Academically Gifted Program

Students in Dr. Alley's classes are participating in Interactive Video Distance Learning programs at the high school throughout the year. Students will be dissecting the heart of a sheep, watching impersonations of Wilbur, Orville, and Katherine Wright, actively participating in a Roller Coaster Science workshop, and much more.

Students are conducting soil and water samples for the Scioto Soil and Water Conservation District this year. Jeff Montavon, Education Coordinator for the SSWCD, works with forth and fifth grade TAG students once a month for this project.



Pre-School Storytelling

Storytelling for children ages nine months to five years old is available for any child in the Minford School District. Storytelling will be held on the second and fourth Tuesdays throughout the months of November, December, January, and February from 2:30-3:00 in Dr. Tracy Alley's room. Please check in at the office.



Fire Safety Presentations will be given to grades kindergarten through fifth grade during November 12th-14th in individual classrooms. Larry Hicks, from the State Fire Marshal's office will be conducting the presentations.

Curriculum Table at Parent-Teacher Conferences

There will be a curriculum table at Parent-Teacher conferences in the hallway of the Middle School. Mrs. Amy O'Dell, Curriculum Supervisor, will be available to answer questions about proficiency, achievement, diagnostic, and off-grade testing and academic content standards. Samples of the past proficiency exams will be available for viewing, as well as take-home literature on ways to help your children at home.

You are cordially invited to attend the dedication ceremony for Minford Elementary-Middle School on Friday, November 21, at one-thirty in the afternoon in the Middle School Gymnasium.

An open house for the publi will be held during

New Incentive Programs

This year the Minford Middle School has added two new incentive programs. The first is an incentive for each classroom in grades four and six. Each class has a chance to add feathers to the falcon they have posted outside their room door. Feathers can be earned for meeting goals set by classroom teachers, good behavior both in the room and when at special activities, and for going above and beyond in areas of help and commitment. Feathers can be awarded by the classroom teachers, activity teachers, librarians, the counselor and the principals. Anyone who sees a class do something important or special should let Mrs. Allen or Mr. Evans know so that we can award a feather. Once a certain number of feathers have accumulated, a reward is given to the class. Some of the awards are: candy for the entire class, a popcorn party, extra six weeks movie, or a pizza party.

The second incentive, involves grades 4-8. Each six weeks, the teachers can nominate two students who they feel are worthy of being the principal's top ten. Nominations are judged by grade level and two winners per grade level are selected. The winners receive the following prizes: free entrance to all ballgames and dances for the six weeks, a free subway sandwich, a biography on a poster will be put on display in the school hallway, five tickets in the end of the year drawing for prizes and an afternoon at Adventure Kingdom.

Winners for the first grading period include: Eighth Grade-Trevor Hudson and J.J. Bond, Seventh Grade-Haley Figlestahler and Lucas Johnson, Sixth Grade-Rex Belcher and Emily Hull, Fifth Grade-Amber Holbrook and Kyle Goodwin, Fourth Grade-Olivia Sadler and Paige Wiseman. Congratulations!



Minford Middle School Honor Roll First Six Weeks

STRAIGHT A CHAD BENTLEY KARA CAYTON KATIE DENNING **EMILY DONAHOE** ABBY FIGLESTAHLER ANDREW GINN **KEENAN HAVENS** TREVOR HUDSON JEREMIAH JOHNSON **CAITLIN KNORE** JENNIFER SPRADLIN JORDYN THIFI NATASHA WAI K FRANKLIN WALLBROWN CASEY ZEMPTER JENNY WILLIAMS JARVIS DODGE LAURA BELCHER JESSE BROWN **EDEN CLARK** AMBER GLEIM SAMANTHA GLEIM MELINDA HAYWARD **DUNCAN JORDAN** KENDRA LEWIS SHAWNA NETTLES AARON OESCH KATIE WHEELER CASSANDRA SMITH ALLYSON WADDELL TIFFANY ROWI AND LUCAS JOHNSON SEAN SMITH **BRITTANY WALK** LYDIA WEAVER **ZACH ALLEY** MARIAH BUTCHER CHRIS DOLAN ABBY DONAHOE MARIAH FITCH

SHAYA FRAZIE

SARAH HANNAH

HALEY JO HICKERSON AMBER HOLBROOK TAYLOR HUFF SETHILOYD BRIANNE McGOWAN JESSICA REED AUSTIN RIFFF AMBER ROFFE DREW ROFFE MACKENZIE WILLIAMS ALLISON SINGER DREW SMITH **AUTUMN WARD** EMMA SHOEMAKER ASHLEY OESCH ROBBIE RASE **NOAH THIEL**

CHRISTOPHER ADKINS REX BELCHER RAY BRYAN **GEORGE COLLINS** DANIEL COUBERT DAVID CRABTREE KRISTEN ESHEM MELISSA HAYWARD **EMILY HULL** CHELSIE JARRELL NICHOLAS KIMBLE KYLE LOWDER GEORGE McCORMICK JESSY NATHAN **ASHLEY NOEL BROCK PARTLOW** ROSE PEACH LEXIE TURNER STEFAN PRICE ARYN REEVES STEPHANIE SCHLATTER CASSIF SPRADLIN

TARA STURGILI JACOB TAYLOR JACOB PRATER JUSTIN AFH CODY BIAS HUGH BRISKER JACKLYN BRISKER CODY BROWN KAYLA BURKE CALEB CAUDILL MARCY COMPTON ALLYSON CONRAD TASHA DONAHOE ASHLEY DOUGLAS HALEY FIGLESTAHLER ETHAN HOCKETT TRAVIS HUFF **BLAKE HULL** RACHEL JARVIS TRAVIS JOHNSON CAITLYN KENNEDY HEATHER MCHONE **ZEBEDIAH MESSER** KATHERYN MITCHELL SAMUEL THOMPSON SHAWNESSY REESE TIMOTHY MUNION STEPHANIE MOORE STEFANE ADAMS WHITNEY BEEKMAN DEREK BENNINGTON AMY BLUME CODY BOND J.J. BOND JESSICA BROWN TRAVIS CLAY **MOLLY CYRUS BRADLEY DAVIS** JARED FARMER ETHAN GAINES KYLA GAMPP RACHEL GLEIM

BRITAIN WELLS SETH IVERSON NATOSHA JARRELL JERELYN HULL CASEY BROCATO ETHAN BUTCHER RACHEL CANTER JOEL CLUCK KAYLA CORIELL **BRITTANY ENGLE** ALEX FITZGERALD LORA FUHRMANN CASSIE GALLOWAY LAIKEN GAMBILL HEATHER HARDYMAN BRANDON LORE **AUDREY JOHNSON** SASHA LITTLE JUSTIN JARRELL **BRANDY MARTIN** NIKKI MEDINA **BRITTANY MONTAVON** GARRETT MOORE THADDELIS MUNION DERICK NEWSOME CODY PAYNTER JP PIGUET JERI PINSON MEREDITH SADLER HALLEY SCOTT ALISON SHEPHERD SAM WILLIAMS **BRETT TAYLOR** NATALIE WARD SHELLY SOMMER LEIGHA ALLEN JEB BEADLE KENEDA BENTLEY JAKE BLACKBURN JAKE BLOOMFIELD REBECCA BRYAN SETH HALL

ABBY CALDWELL SARAH DOLAN VALERIE FREELAND FRIK GAMBILL TYLER GAMPP ANDREW GOETTING TYLER SMITH HIGBEE LAUREN JOHNSON MICHAEL JACKSON **DEVIN JENKINS** JOEY HORN CHASITIE KEEFER ANDY KELLY JUSTIN LANSING LYNDSEY McHONE KRISTIN McROBERTS TREVOR MINGUS JACOB MORRISON **CHAFFIN MUNION** LANE NETTLES KYLE RASE RYAN RUCKEL OLIVIA SADLER COURTNEY SEXTON KYLE SHONKWILER PAIGE WISEMAN TYLON STAGGS JACELYN THORNSBERRY NICHOLAS WISE KATIE SLARK MORIAH AKERS





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Coming Events

- •November 11, Veteran's Day, Teacher Inservice, No School for Students
- •November 15, Winter Festival, High School gym, 1:00-9:00 pm
- •November 16, End of 2nd Six weeks
- •November 17, P.T.O. Meeting, 6:30, cafeteria, Fingerprinting available
- •November 19, AR store
- •November 21, Dedication Ceremony for Minford Elementary-Middle School, 1:30, MMS gym
- •November 25, Parent Teacher conferences, one hour early dismissal for students
- •November 26-28, Thanksgiving Break, No School

Mark your calendars

The Scioto County and Portsmouth City Drug Task Force will be featured speakers on November 17, at 6:30, in the cafeteria, sponsored by Minford P.T.O. They will teach us about preventing drug and alcohol abuse in children. There will be a demonstration by the drug dog "Robbie" followed by an optional safety fingerprinting of your child. This identification system has been used with great success all across the country and has saved lives.

There will be refreshments provided and each child will receive a "stay safe" bag. The homeroom teacher with the greatest number of students fingerprinted will receive a \$25 gift certificate to KIDZ BIZ to purchase classroom supplies. In addition, the largest percentage of teachers by grade levels in attendance will receive a free lunch provided by Clarktown Market.

We would like to invite all parents, teachers, grandparents and guardians to be a part of our PTO. This meeting is open to the public.

Minford Band Hosts Winter Fest



Minford band will be hosting Winter Fest on November 15, at Minford High School from 1:00-9:00. There will be a Christmas tree auction, basket auction, crafts,

pictures with Santa, and a food booth. The Kindergarten through fifth grade classes are making themed gift baskets that will be auctioned. Primary students will be performing Christmas music.

PRINCIPAL'S CLUB PLANNING TRIP

Preparation for the fourth annual Principal's Club trip is well under way. The Principal's Club is a group of eighth grade students who qualify for an end of the year trip on the basis of grades and behavior. In the past, we have gone to Chicago, Cedar Point, and Colonial Williamsburg. This year we are planning to go to Gettysburg, Hershey and Pennsylvania Dutch Country. The cost per student will be approximately \$400.00. As you can imagine, the students are already doing fundraisers. Each student has the opportunity to earn money toward their trip. Last year some of the students earned enough to pay for the entire trip. You can see pictures of last year's trip to Williamsburg on the Middle School website,

We have already done a Home and Garden order, sold candles and sponsored the Halloween Dance. In the future we will be selling raffle tickets for the Christmas Longaberger Basket, selling student web page sponsors and hosting the Christmas Dance here at the Middle School on December 11. If you would like to make a donation to any student or just a general donation, please feel free to do so at any time. Checks can be made out to Minford Middle School Principal's Club. If you have questions, feel free to contact Debbie Allen School Counselor and Incentive Coordinator, at 820-2182, between the hours of 7:30 AM and 3:00 PM. Donations could be mailed to the school at PO BOX 204 135 Falcon Road, Minford Ohio 45653. We are looking forward to the trip this year.

