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# Puma News



W.S. Beaupre Elementary *"Home of the Pumas"* 

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## Principal's Message

By Mrs. Garcia

Fondest wishes this Holiday season. This has been an amazing start to the school year. We set a goal for increasing attendance percentages compared to the same months last year, and we have accomplished this task. In November, we exceeded by 2.46 percentage points over last November with a total percentage of 97.46 %. We are also working on increasing students reading in the area of reading informational text. Teachers are working hard to support mastery of this standard.

The garden is supporting the Science and Engineering standards, but also empowering students in becoming Master Gardeners. With their expertise, we harvested tomatoes, pumpkins, peppers, and blueberries this past summer.

We are accomplishing amazing things here at Beaupre! We ask that you talk to your child every day about their experiences in elementary school in order to support their emotional growth.

Wishing you all a very happy holiday season and a wonderful New Year!

Ms. Garcia



#### **Career Week**

By: Kaylany

Hello fellow human beings. How are you? It's been a while since we've caught up! Let me fill you in on recent events. That's today's topic. So, sit back. Relax. Grab a potato. Read the articles.

The last week in February was career week. I decided to write about different careers and some things you may not have known about those careers. To begin, we had the secretary of the Aurora Township Highway Department Commissioner. Shout Out to all the secretaries out there. \*cough\* \*cough\* Ms. Maria!

We had great police presence that joined us and explained what they do on a daily basis, and the rigorous training they go through to become a police officer. Here is a police fact: It takes three years of higher education to earn a bachelor's degree in "police studies."

The next career that the school witnessed was the wonderful Amy Logan. Amy Logan is the author to the books <u>The Girl with A Cape</u>, <u>The Boy with A Cape</u>, and many other amazing books.

Dr. Rabin, a neurosurgeon joined our school. Dr. Rabin came to Beaupre to discuss his career as a neurosurgeon. Neurology is a branch of medicine or biology that deals with anatomy, functions, and organic disorders of the nerves and the nerve system. It's amazing how the brain and nervous system work in tandem.

I hope you liked reading my article. Remember, when given the opportunity be a potato.







**Dickson Valley** 

By: Ariana R.

Dickson Valley is where you camp, have fun, and spend time with friends. For an example, I'm in 5<sup>th</sup> grade in Mrs. Hansen's class. Next month (April) we are going to Dickson Valley. We have to come prepared and bring stuff we will need for 3 days and 2 nights.

To fund our trip, we had to sell chocolate from World's Finest Chocolates. By selling chocolate bars, we raised enough money to go to Dickson Valley. We had to sell at least one box of chocolates. The goal was to sell as many boxes of chocolates as we could. The box includes a variety of different flavors

The purpose behind the field trip is to spend time with friends and teachers before we leave for middle school next year. This year, instead of going to Lorado Taft as we've done in the past, we are going to Dickson Valley. Near the end of our time there, we will get our shirts and then tie-dye them. One of the many rewards of 5<sup>th</sup> grade is our overnight field trip outside of school. This year, we are going to Dickson Valley. Thank you for reading my article.<sup>(3)</sup> By: Ariana:)

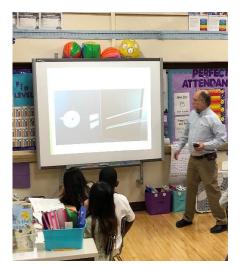
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## Special Olympics: A return to district 131

After a 40-year hiatus, district 131 is reintroducing a favorite national pastime, Special Olympics. Special Olympics organization is dedicated to serving elementary, middle, high school and adults with special needs the opportunity to compete in a variety of sports. Some of the 30 plus sports includes Basketball, Bocce, Bowling, and Cricket. The competitions begin at a local level and migrate to State, National, and finally an International level. Mr. Adler will be coaching 131's athletes in the sport of powerlifting. Powerlifting consists of three separate events: bench press, squat, and deadlift. Mr. Adler is very excited about this adventure and praises the community for creating an opportunity for athletes of all abilities. According to their website, "Special Olympics supports over 5 million athletes, 1 million coaches and volunteers, more than 100,000 competitions each year, and 32 Olympic-type sports through programs in more than 170 countries."







### PeaceJam by Nathan

Howdy fellow readers! I am Nathan, a new writer at *The Newsletter Club*. My topic is PEACEJAM. What is PEACEJAM, you ask? PEACEJAM is a Peace-organizing club that is led after school at Beaupre Elementary by Ms. Moshinsky & Mr. Griffin. Who are the PEACEJAM Members? The PEACEJAM members include 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders: Nathan, Krystal, Jeniset, Abriela, Noel, Jimmy, Germi, Steven, and Stevie. The PEACEJAMMERS most memorable event to date was a trip to Michigan to meet the Nobel-Peace-Prize winner, Kailash Satyarthi.

The trip was a BLAST! During the way there, the bus that carried us was enormous! It was also luxurious. It included a bathroom with a functional toilet!

In Kalamazoo, Michigan, the people who worked there greeted us cheerfully. At breakfast, they offered us a bagel with some cream cheese along with, orange and apple juice. Then we were separated into groups. I was placed into a group called "The Jackals." In our groups, we told others who we are. After that, we played fun mini games. At lunch, we were offered a ham or turkey sandwich with a cookie, and some Ruffles chips. After that, we returned to our groups. At dinner, we ate PIZZAAAAA!

Finally, going back to Illinois. We watched the movie Ratatouille.