

Classroom Courier

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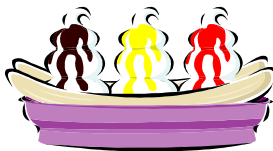
Middle Row: Katie Knotts, Connor Johnson, Faith Ogden, Danielle Gadus, Aden Choate, Melissa Nathan, Mackenzie Pankey

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Third Grade Learning

Mrs. Bosler's third grade class, along with all the other classes at Carl Sandburg has been working very hard all year. Recently, the students focused more on math and multiplication with a motivating incentive to help them along: ice cream. Each student had to take a series of tests, each test with 25 problems. The students were allowed one minute per test and if they completed all the problems correctly, they received one item towards a banana split. Some of the ingredients included a bowl, spoon, banana, one scoop of vanilla ice cream, one scoop of chocolate ice cream, one scoop of Neapolitan ice cream, chocolate topping, butterscotch topping, strawberry topping, whipped cream, mini chocolate chips, sprinkles, and a cherry. Then, the class had a party and the kids created their banana split using the ingredients and materials they earned through completed test. This activity was not only fun, it also helped them memorize their multiplication facts. Mrs. Bosler's class also did an Arthur unit during which each student read five of the Arthur chapter books. After that, the kids were required to write a summary and take the quiz on each book. Then they did an activity for the novel they read. Examples included, using puppets to perform a play, reading a short Arthur book and completing an RC quiz, completing various worksheets, playing a game with partners, making a "cootie catcher" and making finger puppets to retell the story. The class also used the Arthur website to follow up on activities and challenge their reading skills. In Mrs. Bosler's words, the Arthur unit is a "motivating way to finish off the year".

By Jacey Dillon



Honk!

The Charleston High School is putting on their annual CHS musical. This year, they are doing Honk!, a story about the Ugly Duckling. This year, the high school musical isn't composed of *only* high schoolers, but three middle schoolers as well. Emma Walker, Lauren Mellott, and Brady Wambach, all participating in Honk! All three students are ducklings, Ugly's cruel siblings who taunt him. Emma Walker plays Fluff, Lauren Mellott plays Downy, and Brady Wambach plays Beaky. Honk is a musical about the ugly duckling, named Ugly. Due to unfortunate circumstances, he is taken away from his home on the farm, and gets lost. On his way back to find the duckyard, Ugly meets many different, and rather unusual animals. Meanwhile, Ugly's father must try to raise the other ducklings by himself, while Ugly's mother has gone to look for him. The high school musical played on May 2 – May 5, and had a very successful turnout.

By Lauren Mellott

