

# The Bronco Bulletin

1st Quarter

## Welcome Back! By: Robert Noderer

Welcome back to another school year! The teachers and staff of STCS have a lot planned this year. As you will see in the following articles, the classes have already started getting busy. But as we all know, with a new year, everyone becomes a year older, including the teachers and staff. For the month of August, Mrs. Drummey's birthday is on the 21st, and Mr. Robert Snook's birthday is on the 30th. For September we have four birthdays, Mrs. Butler's is on the 4th, Mrs. Shapiro's is on the 18th, Mrs. Sanford's birthday is on the 23rd, and Mrs. Swan's birthday is on the 26th. In the month of October there are three birthdays, which are Mrs. Woods on the 19th, Mrs. Mehr's is on the 22nd, and Mrs. Rapa's on the 23rd. Happy Birthday to all of our wonderful teachers and staff!!



## Kindergarten By: Nicholas Butkiewicz

The Kindergarten has been having a great school year so far. They have been learning about plants. During the plant section, they planted plants to learn about how plants grow and live. In addition, they also had a Johnny Appleseed party, where they did lots of different things with apples. They did apple stations, sang apple songs, did different apple experiments, and activities, did apple math and made apple art. In apple math, they first did a taste test of different kinds of apples. Then, they used that information to graph the most popular apple in the class - the Granny Smith apple was the winner. When I talked to the Kindergarteners, their two favorite apple activities were making applesauce and singing apple songs. The class cut and prepared apples, then blended them and made their very own applesauce while also singing apple songs including the Johnny Appleseed song. Now, the class is getting ready to decorate for Halloween. The Kindergarten is very excited for this school year!

## PreSchool and Pre-K By: Lainey Weiland And Maddy Peters

The Pre-K and Preschool have already gotten busy. They have some projects coming up that sound super exciting! Mrs. Austin and Mrs. Shapiro's classes have been working on the alphabet up to the letter "C". They decorated cupcakes and learned lots of words that begin with "C". In addition, both classes did a taste testing for apples. In Mrs. Shapiro's class, the pink lady was the winner. The two classes have been working on being a good friend and listening. They recently did an "All About Me" project where they brought in pictures and items that mean a lot to them. Stella, Harper, and Ava, in Mrs. Austin's class are really liking preschool so far and think that "preschool is the best". These kids have got some fun things in store for the rest of the year as well. Mrs. Pineda and Ms. Rosie's classes have also been working hard. They have been working on fall colors, and getting ready for their day full of apples. Ms. Rosie's class has been working on the letter "B". Coming up is their Garden Day on October 1st. The students so far have been having a fun time at STCS. They are loving their specials like P.E. with Coach Madigan and music with Ms. Rose. It sounds like Pre-K and Preschool have a lot of exciting activities planned.

## 1st Grade

By: Johnny Abbott

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The First Grade has had a quarter filled with a lot of learning. Both classes have been working on addition and subtraction up to 10, in math. In Language Arts, vowel sounds, nouns, verbs, and adjectives have been learned. In Science and Social Studies, 1st Grade discovered how sound is made and what makes a community. At this time they are starting to write Saint reports just in time for All Saint's Day. Also, in Religion and mass, they have learned about creation, being kind and loving to one another. Being in First Grade is very exciting and busy.

## 2nd Grade

By: Elsa Marcus

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Second Grade is off to an exciting start! We are busy working on writing a memoir about a special person in each of our families. So far we have interviewed them to learn about a good time from their childhood. This will help us get this project started. In reading, we are being taught some helpful tips when we are stuck on a word and our teachers are showing us to look at the beginning and the end of the word. This can help us sound out the word while we are reading.

My favorite part of the day is Kudos! A Kudo is a bright colored paper, just like confetti. They are located in a jar near the door of Ms. Viboch's classroom. They give you the chance to shout out to another

student. It's great to write Kudos and to read Kudos. Even though you might not get one every day, you will at least get one in the school year. It's not a contest. It's about spreading kindness and putting a smile on someone else's face. Keep up the good work, Second Grade. I give a Kudos to you!



## 3rd Grade

By: Estella Gaffney

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Third Grade is busy. We have been reading Charlotte's Web and are going on a field trip to see the play on September 28<sup>th</sup>. For reading, we are learning Greek and Latin terms. Did you know that "octo" means 8? In math we are learning to do mental math in our head and estimating. We are also studying natural disasters such as Hurricane Florence and the Kilauea volcano. In science, we are learning about friction, non-contact and magnetism. In September we started using Class Dojo. We earn points for good behavior. At the end of two weeks we use our points

for rewards (like sitting by a friend for a week, taking off your shoes for the day or getting something from the treasure box). Third grade is really fun!

## 4th Grade

By: Allison Noderer

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Fourth grade is off to a busy start! Fourth grade made Rube Goldberg inventions in science. We had to plan our projects out. Then we had to bring in materials for it. We did this because we're learning about the transfer of energy. Our teachers read us *Charlotte's Web* and we went to see the play on September 28 at Herberger Theater. In social studies we're learning about the government. We looked up our representative to congress, online. We're also working on our state reports.

## 5th Grade

By: Katie Bizzozero

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Hello, my name is Katie Bizzozero, and I am here to tell you about all what's going on in 5th grade. I hope you enjoy my awesome report.

Our morning Routine is almost the same everyday. We get unpacked, get our morning math and scripture out for the day and start working. Usually, we have Social Studies in the morning, so we always get our Social Studies supplies out and ready to go. Then, we work on something quietly until it's ready to switch.

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## 5th Grade Cont.

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Lots of people think 5th grade is hard, but it's only hard if you don't try your best. I think that most people don't think 5th grade is easy, because they don't pay attention. Paying attention is big in 5th grade. Always listen to what the teacher says.

Almost everyone can't wait for 5th grade, because you get to play in sports. But, if you want to play sports, you have to get good grades, which means you always have to pay attention whether you're doing sports or not. So, I'm not saying that playing sports is bad, but playing sports in 5th grade is like being in the classroom. I know this is getting a little long so I'll pick it up here. Being in 5th grade is like a lot of things.

1. You get to play sports, which is fun but you always need to pay attention.
2. It's like getting you ready to be a mature and grown-up kid.
3. You have tight schedules, so you need to be quick and fast.

So, bottom line, 5th grade is like a ton of stuff, all wrapped into one. And since I only gave you a few reasons, be prepared for a ton more!

## 6th Grade

By: **Isabella Ballesteros**

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So far in 6th grade, this year, we have learned many things. For example in math we have learned all about percents, fractions, estimation, and decimals. In science we have learned about

percents, fractions, estimation, and decimals. In science we have learned about minerals and the different types of rocks, and how to identify them. In literature we have learned about WWII and family traditions through stories. We have also started our first book club book, which is very exciting! In religion we have started learning all about the first original sin, which Adam and Eve committed, and the Old Testament. We've learned a lot in language arts as well. We have gotten even better at spelling and grammar. In social studies class we have started learning about early civilizations, and we have also learned about the Stone Age and Mesopotamia. We have learned a lot about Spanish as well. These are just a few things we have learned so far. I wonder what other knowledge 6th grade will bring us?

## 7th grade

By: **Tommy Zacher**

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This year in 7th grade I have already learned many things. In 7th grade we learn many important things, like responsibility, self sufficiency, studying habits, and so much more. In junior high we are beginning to be treated like young adults.

So far this year in Literature we have done two novel studies. The books that we have read are I Know What You Did Last Summer and The Giver. Mrs. Quintana is our 7th grade Literature teacher.

In social studies we are learning about the American Revolution and how we formed our nation. We have learned a lot about the revolution and the people that lived during that

topic and I have learned a lot from Mrs. Griffin.

In Writing this year we have had some great discussions in class. Mr. Gonzales teaches my writing class and we all learn a lot from it. At the beginning of every class we watch a short ten minute video that gives us a quick update on what is going on in our world right now. It is called CNN 10 and it is hosted by none other than Carl Azuz. In Mr. Gonzales's homeroom we have become very fond of him and another person on the show who's name is Sanjay Gupta. We learn a lot from these people every day and really enjoy writing class with Mr. Gonzales.

In PE we have recently ran the mile, which was not a walk in the park. We had to run 5 laps around the field and Amaree White won with a time of 6 minutes 11 seconds. This was a very physically demanding task, at least for me.

We have also had a junior high dance this year in the gym. This was the first dance that we have had in 7th grade and it was a fun experience. There was a memorable dance competition where Jake, Tanner, and I did the worm together and after that everyone showed us respect.

My 7th grade year so far has been very eventful and I can't wait to keep the good times rolling

**8th Grade**  
**By: Teddy Churchill**

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Sky-Y was one heck of a adventure. Sure the bus drive was long, but it was all worth it in the end. Sky-Y is a outdoors camp all the way up in Prescott, Arizona. 8th graders took a two hour bus ride from St. Theresa to Sky-Y. This bus ride was from 6:15 am to 8:15 am, and right when we got there all the fun activities began.

In my group, we experienced the archery training first. We had to walk down this long hill to finally arrive at a few huge logs surrounding racks of bow and arrows. They had compound bows which shoot very powerfully and normal bows that shoot slower. We shot about three rounds of three arrows each. Archery was a great new activity, that everyone enjoyed.

Next was the famed Sky-Y rock wall. This baby was 62 feet high, the tallest in Arizona. It was nerve-racking just to put on the climbing gear with the thought that you would be going up that beast. Personally, I made it to the top of this monster along with Taea, Rawley, Trey, Jacob, and Jasmine. There were many others (sorry if I'm not naming you), but these are just the people in my group. This was definitely the most exhilarating moment at Sky-Y for me.

Then we had lunch/recess. At recess we practiced for DOMINATING the teachers in volleyball in a co-ed volleyball match. After that we took a group picture and went into the eating space. The lunch that was served was pizza and salad. It was pretty decent food and it fueled us up for our next activity.....Survival skills.

time. Our 7th grade social studies teacher is Mr. Foudy.

7th grade science is taught by Mrs. Griffin and so far we have learned about cells, how they function, and all of the living things that they make up. This has been a very interesting Outdoor survival was a pretty good workout. Our instructor told us the most important things of survival which are food, shelter, water, oxygen, and clothing. Then he told us how to make a fire and sent us off to make shelters out of logs and branches. My group made a big shed out of old logs. It was a great experience and a fun new thing to try.

Team building was the next and final activity. We had to sit on this log and arrange ourselves in birthday order without getting off the log. It was pretty hard because we had to climb over each other. Also, we couldn't talk the whole time. It was hard, but it strengthened our relationship with each other. Next was the laser activity, where we had to lead each other through these jump ropes that acted like lasers. If you touched the laser, you had to stay behind. After that was our last team building exercise, which was this huge seesaw. You had to balance everyone on top of the seesaw without it touching the ground. This final one really made us come together and move as one.

Overall, Sky-y was an amazing opportunity to reach out and try new things. I think everyone should look forward to going to this amazing place and learning. I definitely learned a lot of stuff about surviving and interesting things about people in my group. If you are

a seventh grader, start to get hyped up for this amazing journey, and how it will change your lives.

**Specials**  
**By: Annie Kopp**

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The specials at STCS-music, art, technology, and P.E.-are teeming with events, such as the Advent Program, art contests, and volleyball tournaments. Currently in music, Mrs. Rapa's fourth grade class is working on singing in the choir for the All Saints Day mass. While the fourth graders are learning that, the rest of the school is learning to read music. The younger grades are learning this through musical games whilst the older kids are learning to read music with some more complex concepts. They are currently composing their own songs in groups of 3-5 people. On the more artistic side of things, Ms. Garcia had kids working on entries for the Our Lady of Czestochowa Rosary Sunday contest. Meanwhile, P.E. has kids, grades 5-8, competing in an intense volleyball tournament. After which, they will take a quiz to show how much they had understood the rules about the sport. Mr. Cruz is helping students in technology to learn to type faster and more efficiently. In the upper grades, students are working on Powerpoints, stories, and Movie Makers. The Advent Program is in the works as well! This will be narrated by Emma Schwan, Lainey Wieland, and Nicholas Butkiewicz. They will read scenes while actors act them out. You will be able to see the nativity scene, with Maddy Peters as Mary and Robbie Noderer as Joseph, while other kids will be singing Christmas songs with the help from other eighth graders. Evidently, there are so many exciting things going on at school that you should be thrilled with all the fun things that you will get to see and do.

**Sports**  
**By: Asher Martin**

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Sports are very popular throughout our school and its community. All grades are doing great in volleyball, but if you want a lot of excitement go to an 8th grade A team game. The 8th grade team played Ingleside Middle School for the first time ever Friday the 20th of September. In football all grades are also doing good. The 6th grade is undefeated. No matter what grade you watch it is always an exciting game. The CYAA tournament is rounding the corner for 7 and 8th grades for football and volleyball and there is a potential to earn a CYAA title.

Records: wins,losses

5th volleyball:4,1

5th football: 3,1,2

6th volleyball: 6,1

6th football: 4,0

7th volleyball: 2,6

7th football A:6,1

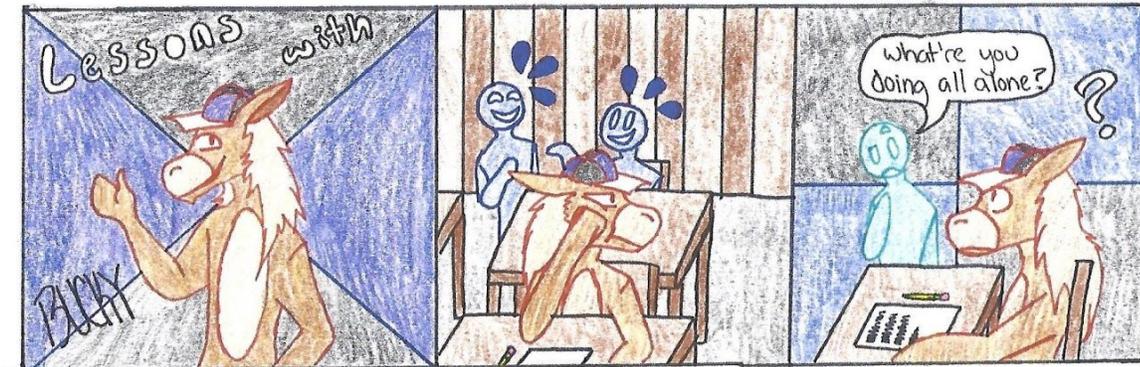
7th football B:5,3

8th volleyball A: 6,4

8th football: 4,4

8th volleyball B:4,3

Comic by Emma Schwan:



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