



Hotchkiss K-8 School

Weekly News Update

“Opening doors for endless possibilities.”

October 5, 2018



Principal’s Message

Our staff has been working on forming a new mission and vision for our school. The Mission of our school is: “Opening doors for endless possibilities.” At Hotchkiss K-8 we want to open doors for students so that they can have endless possibilities to pursue positive endeavors in their life. Our Vision statement is constructed to support our mission. Our Vision Statement plays off the word DOGS.

At Hotchkiss K-8 we believe in D.O.G.S.-

Diverse - Learning to appreciate uniqueness while seeking to understand differences. Showing kindness to all, being open to others' perspectives and teaching thinking skills which lead to new possibilities.

Opportunity - Providing whole-child education through rigorous academics, life skills, fine arts, S.T.E.M., health and wellness, clubs, athletics, extra-curricular activities, and other unique opportunities that empower all students.

G.R.I.T. - Growing to be life-long learners, Resiliency to be strong in the face of adversity, Integrity to be the best version of ourselves, and Tenacity to find enjoyment in a strong work ethic. Getting back up and trying again after making mistakes is learning: giving up is failing.

Safe - Providing an environment where students feel physically, academically, socially and emotionally safe.

"Are you walkin' the D.O.G.S.?"

As a staff we have made collective commitments to support the mission and vision of our school to help our students have the best possible education.

Fall Sports Season Ends

Thank you to our volleyball and football coaches and the players for an entertaining and successful fall sports season. The volleyball teams, coached by Lynette Clock and Amy Peebles all played very well in the County Tournament. The 7A team lost a tough contest to Delta in three games by a total of 3 points, the 7B team was 2nd place, the 8A team was 2nd place and had a great win over Paonia to get to the championship game and the 7B team came home with the championship with the win over Cedaredge.

Our football teams completed their season this week with games in Cedaredge. The 8th grade lost to Cedaredge and the 7th grade lost to Delta by 3 points. The 7th grade ended up having a winning season. Thank you to coaches Eric Hollembeak, Chuck Miller and Steve Rienks. Both teams were combined with Paonia to form a North Fork team. The boys played really well together and the improvement over the course of the year was phenomenal.

2nd Grade

We are excited to have Mrs. Rodriguez coming back to school after the Fall Break. We are thankful that she and her husband are able to be back home. We also want to thank Mrs. Linda Hodges for filling in for her. She did a great job and we were fortunate to have somebody with her skills and expertise to begin the school year.

Band/Choir

Congratulations to the 6-8 grade band and choir members for an outstanding performance in their fall concert.

The performance was extremely entertaining. Thank you to Ms. Carey and Mr. Fixmer, job well done!

Calendar:

Monday, October 8-12

NO SCHOOL-FALL BREAK

Monday, October 15

School Resumes

Celebrate the Beat begins for 5th grade

7th-8th Grade Boys Basketball-1st Day of Practice

Thursday, October 18

K-8 Safety Day with Emergency Personnel

Friday, October 19

End of Quarter 1

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