



Altoona Intermediate School
Altoona, Wisconsin

February 2021 Newsletter

From the Principal, Andrea Steffen:

Happy February! We are officially into our second semester of school! In the month of January, our students met their "kindness" goal, and we celebrated this on the 8th. Our current behavioral focus is respect. When our school earns 200 respect stars (we're over half way already), thereby lighting up AIS, we are going to have another celebration. In January, we welcomed some new faces in our school. In addition to several new students who moved to our district, we've welcomed back a number of students who were virtual for the first semester. We are also pleased to welcome Mrs. Jessica Bucki, our new Administrative Assistant in the front office. While we are sad to see Mrs. Gilmartin go, we are happy that we still see her smiling face and hear her awesome Australian accent periodically as she just moved to the high school. Looking ahead, Parent Teacher Conferences are scheduled for February 23rd and the 25th. Please look for conference sign up communication on/around February 8th.



Teacher Bucks Program

By: Brianna Bodway and Jamellia Christopher.

Teacher Bucks show teachers that they are appreciated. Students can give their teacher a teacher buck if they see their teacher standing out and working hard! Each student gets a teacher railbuck to give to either 4th or 5th grade teachers! Once or twice a week teachers are able to turn in their railbucks to get prizes! We have tons of varieties of prizes. Candy, school supplies, mugs, popcorn etc. Brianna and Jamellia thought of this idea one day, our teachers were working really hard and students were not recognizing how hard they are working! We thought of so many ideas and this seemed to be the one that fit our school best. We decided it fit best because of the fact Teachers are able to give students rail bucks as well. So we wanted to give them the opportunity to have the sense of fulfillment we feel daily. Knowing that you have made an impact on somebody's life is an amazing feeling. It gives you a sense of accomplishment and pride!



We will miss you so much Mrs. Gilmartin! See you at the high school!



Lunch Bunch With Donut

By Lexi, Cassidy & Reid
Right when we got done with specials we grabbed our lunches and we went to the lunch bunch in the office and Mrs Bucki showed us where to go. We went to a room in the office. Donut and his owner were waiting there for us. Then we took a photo with Donut so Mrs. Bucki could put it on the Rails T.V. Then we talked about football and our favorite teams and our opinions about the other teams. Donut's owner, Officer Peterson from the Altoona Police Department, liked the packers, but the rest of us liked the Vikings. After we finished our food we played with Donut. And then Officer Peterson asked us how school was going and we all said very good. Time flew and soon it was time to go back to the classroom. All in all we recommend choosing the lunch bunch with Donut if you win the ticket drawing.





2020 - 2021 School Calendar



LATE START 4th Grade

10:30-11:30 Math
 11:30-12:00 Lang Workshop
 12:00-12:40 Lunch/Recess
 12:40-2:00 Specials
 2:00-3:00 ELA

EARLY RELEASE 4th Grade

8:30-9:30 ELA
 9:40 Snack
 10:45 Math
 11:14 Specials
 11:41 Specials

9:30-
 9:42-
 10:50-
 11:17-
 11:44-12:25

LATE START 5th Grade

10:30-10:50 Homeroom
 10:50-12:05 Specials
 12:05-12:45 Lunch/Recess
 12:45-2:00 Math
 2:00-3:30 ELA

EARLY RELEASE 5th Grade

8:30-9:30 Math
 9:30-9:38 Snack
 9:41-10:05 Specials
 10:08-10:32 Specials
 10:36-11:41 ELA

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- 6-12 A In-Person, B Virtual
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- K-12 Virtual Learning
- School Closed
- Early Release Day
- Educator Inservice (No Students)
- New Educator Orientation
- Family-Teacher Conferences

Jul 1 - Aug 31	One Educator Preparation Day
Aug 18 - 20	New Educator Orientation
Aug 21 - 27	Educator Inservice - No School for Students
Sept 1	Student First Day
Sept 7	Labor Day - No School
Oct 20	K-5 Family-Teacher Conference - Evening
Oct 22	K-5 Family-Teacher Conference - Afternoon/Evening
Oct 23	K-5: No School
Nov 23	Educator Inservice - No School for Students
Nov 24 - 27	Thanksgiving Break - No School

Dec 24 - Jan 1	Winter Break - No School
Jan 22	Educator Inservice - Early Release for Students
Feb 23	Family-Teacher Conference - Evening
Feb 25	Family-Teacher Conference - Afternoon/Evening
Feb 26	No School
Mar 29 - Apr 2	Spring Break - No School
Apr 5	Educator Inservice - No School for Students
May 28	High School Graduation
May 31	Memorial Day - No School
Jun 4	Student Last Day - Early Release