## December 2016

## VIKING NEWS

LORNA BYRNE MIDDLE SCHOOL

Scott Polen Principal

Sarah McNamara Dean of Students

#### Dates to Remember:

12/5—Boys Bball @ North
12/7—Public Library After
School—Pop-Up Cards
12/10—Heart of Winter/River
Stars Performing Arts— 5:00
in the cafeteria
12/10—Alice in Wonderland/
Del Arte Company—7:00
12/11—Heart of Winter— 5:00
in the Cafeteria

12/12-Boys Bball @ South

12/13—SMILE After School

12/13-Boys Bball @ Home

12/14—Public Library After

School—Snow Globes

12/14—Winter Concert 7:00

12/15-PBIS Field Trip to Lava Lanes

12/19—Winter Break Begins
1/2/17—Classes Resume



#### VIKING FAMILY,

Hello! I'm Mr. Nelson and I teach seventh and eighth grade social studies. My classroom is heavily influenced by technology, group work, and self-guided learning. I believe that students learn best when they are challenged and motivated to learn.

My seventh grade World Geography classes have spent the last few weeks learning about ancient Rome. They just completed a History Mystery investigation to discover the motivation behind the murder of Julius Caesar. Students had to gather evidence and use that evidence to support their theory for the motive of the murder. After the winter break students can look forward to an educationally appropriate lesson on the world's three largest religions - Judaism, Christianity, and Islam.

My eighth graders are studying early American history. We have spent a couple of weeks learning about the Declaration of Independence. Students were able to read that document and understand the historical importance of the Declaration. Students even translated the formal writing of the eighteenth century and into simplified modern language. Currently, we are studying the Revolutionary War. After the break we will spend a significant amount of time on the Constitution and government.

As always, it is a pleasure to teach and engage with your students. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. I look forward to seeing you in the months to come.

• Office Hours: 7:30 - 4:00

♦ MORNING HOMEWORK HELP: 7:50-8:30

• AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING: TUES & THURS

Lorna Byrne Middle School ~ 101 S. Junction Avenue ~ Cave Junction, OR 97523

Phone: 541.592.2163 ~ Fax 541.592.4851

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**Every Wednesday** after school. students may ride the C10 bus to the Josephine Community Library for FREE Crafts, activities and snacks. If vour student would like to participate, please fill out the attached permission form and return to Ms. Snook in the Lorna Byrne Middle School Library. Students attending have the option to be picked up by a parent/guardian at LORNA BYRNE @ 5:20 or ride the **Activity Bus** home. Students may NOT be picked up at the library.

Questions? Call Ms. Snook 541-592-2163 X 3010

## STUDENT OF THE MONTH OCTOBER 2016

5TH GRADE: SHELBY HERNANDEZ & MICHAEL MILLER

6TH GRADE: RAZALYNN MYNATT & NADJA MIDDLETON

7th Grade: Megan Lemasters & Sergio Robles

8th Grade: Tierra Murphy & Devin Dougherty

#### FROM OUR SCHOOL BASED HEALTH CENTER

ATTENTION PARENTS OF 7<sup>th</sup> GRADE STUDENTS: Many 7<sup>th</sup> grade students are due for a tetanus/whooping cough booster shot (Tdap) this year. If your student is not up to date on this (and all other vaccines) by February, they will be excluded from school until they get caught up. Please check with the school or the school-based health center to see if your student is due!

Please try to get this done <u>before</u> February – maybe Christmas break would be a good time to take care of it! Or contact the school-based health center at 541-592-6978 to arrange to have it done during school.

#### PARENTVUE & STUDENTVUE

ParentVUE and StudentVUE are websites that offer secure, private access to school and student information, including assignments, grades, attendance, school calendar and teacher contact details. In ParentVUE, you can see the information for all of your students.

To create an account, navigate to:

www.threerivers.k12.or.us/parentportal

Please call the school first for your activation key.

#### SYNERVOICE

Synervoice is used to send out important messages about school closures and school events. When you get an

automated call from LBMS using this program, it is important to say "Hello" as this triggers the message to start. If you have voicemail, it will leave a message. Please listen to the

message in its entirety, then call the school for any unanswered questions.

If you have an email registered with the school, we will often send emails as well. Synervoice is also used for attendance calls. If your student has been marked absent in any class, the system will call you to make you aware of this absence. Please listen to the message in it's entirety before calling the school.

#### FROM THE OFFICE STAFF

Please remember that the cut-off time for changing after school plans is 1:30 p.m.

While we realize that this is sometimes unavoidable, whenever possible please talk over plans with your student before school and provide them with a bus note if needed. Thank you.



PBIS FIELD TRIP ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15th For eligibility requirements please contact Mrs. McNamara. For Field Trip Info please contact Mrs. Snook (541) 592-2163



150 NE E Street (corner of 7th and E), Grants Pass, OR 97526 Mon-Sat 9:30-5:00 • Sun 11:00-3:00 • (541) 476-3132

SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM
Oregon Books & Games has a great selection of items for your student, friends & family! Their partnership program provides direct credit to LORNA BYRNE which helps us buy new books for the library.

The program works in this fashion. Any supporter who mentions LORNA BYRNE when making a purchase, triggers a donation of 5% of the total purchase to the LORNA BYRNE account. When Lorna Byrne supporters order books online at <u>oregonbooks.com</u> just add the schools name in the comments section or mention it when picking up the



The Oregon Battle of the Books. OBOB, is a statewide voluntary reading motivation and comprehension program sponsored by the Oregon Association of School Libraries in conjunction with a Library Services and **Technology Act** grant. Students in 3rd-12th grade, regardless of ability, are exposed to quality literature representing a variety of literary styles and viewpoints. The mission is to encourage and recognize students who enjoy reading, to broaden reading interests, to increase reading comprehension, promote academic excellence, and to promote cooperative learning and teamwork among students.



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RiverStars Performing Arts presents:

# The Heart of Winter

a Dance Theatre feast written by and for our Illinois Valley Community



#### THE Family Holiday Event: Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup> Double Feature!

5:00 Heart of Winter in cafeteria

6:15 Soup Dinner in cafeteria \$5-\$15 Bottomless Bowls

7:00 Dell'Arte' Alice In Wonderland in the Lorna Byrne Gymnasium

#### Sunday, December 11th

5:00 *Heart of Winter* in cafeteria Complementary Dessert to Follow

### Lorna Byrne Middle School Cafeteria

101 S. Junction Ave., Cave Junction
Pay what you can. Doors open at 4:30 PM
Reserve front row seats in advance: \$20
Call (541) 649-2333 or email IV.RiverStars@gmail.com

Presented by the RiverStars Performing Arts Program in partnership with Three Rivers School District, Illinois Valley Community Development Organization, dancefarm, and funded by the visionary Oregon Community Foundation's Studio to School program and people like You.











