

- The Fun Run was a huge success. The day was gorgeous and students truly enjoyed the event this school year.
- Careers on Wheels will be held this Friday, Oct. 7 with 17 different stations for our students to learn about careers.
- Our Friends Program is up and running with many great plans in the works.
- Students are off to Treehaven and Trees for Tomorrow next week (Oct. 10 & 11 and Oct. 11 – 12 respectfully). These trips are incredible learning opportunities for our students.
- Kindergarten students enjoyed a field trip to Helene's Apple Orchard learning about growing and harvesting apples and pumpkins this past month.
- 4K students attended Grandpa's Farm in Merrill this week learning about various animals, how to make apple cider, lots of social interaction opportunities and how corn moves through various pipes. Great fun was had by everyone!
- Thersea Burzynski provided Lucy Calkins Writing training for each of our teachers who were not previously able to attend this training. Teachers greatly appreciated this opportunity to learn.
- After moving our computer teacher to the open 2<sup>nd</sup> grade position, I was challenged to find a technology teacher for the elementary. Thankfully, we have managed to fill this position with a teacher who has the needed licensure, is a local resident, has children in our elementary, and is excited about this position. Kelly Tollefson will be joining our team beginning October 17.
- Coaching has been going strong. Our coaches have been in classrooms modeling lessons for teachers, brainstorming and planning with teachers, providing feedback on lessons when requested, and providing professional development during Common Planning Time. Coaches and teachers work together to continue to look at student work and data to drive decisions at all instructional tiers. They have been BUSY. Teachers are grateful for the learning opportunities and the additional guidance strengthening their instructional practice.

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