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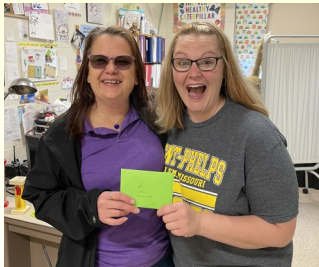
Mark Your Calendar!



Let's do our best!
MAP testing begins
Monday, April 17th



8th Grade Graduation
Tuesday, May 9th at
7:00 pm



Nurse Alicia was our Rockstar Support Staff Member for April. She is the best in the business, she has a heart for kids and does a tremendous job for our school. We are proud of her and thankful that she is part of our team!

Gardening Teaches Lifelong Skills

By Ms. Maegann Wilmes, 3rd Grade Teacher/Garden Project Sponsor

Hello Bobcat Families!

It's that time of year when the flowers start blooming, the bees are coming back out, and there is finally a splash of color outside. This is the perfect time to start thinking about your garden. Here at Dent-Phelps, that's exactly what we are doing. With the help of our teachers, staff, and students, we will have a school garden this time next year. Gardening is a lifelong skill that teaches responsibility, commitment, perseverance, work ethic, problem solving, and the sense of accomplishment at the end of the season.

The vision for the garden includes raised beds, vertical planters, a picnic table, bird feeders, an outdoor classroom area for lessons to unfold, a reading area, and a safe place for children to learn through nature. The garden will be a place we use in the Fall to grow pumpkins and Spring to grow beautiful cut flowers. Not only will our students find joy in the garden, we hope teachers and staff will too.

Stay tuned for more garden updates. If you would like to know more about garden updates or would like to be involved, feel free to reach me by email: mwilmes@dentphelps.k12.mo.us.

"There are no gardening mistakes, only experiments." – Janet Kilburn Phillips



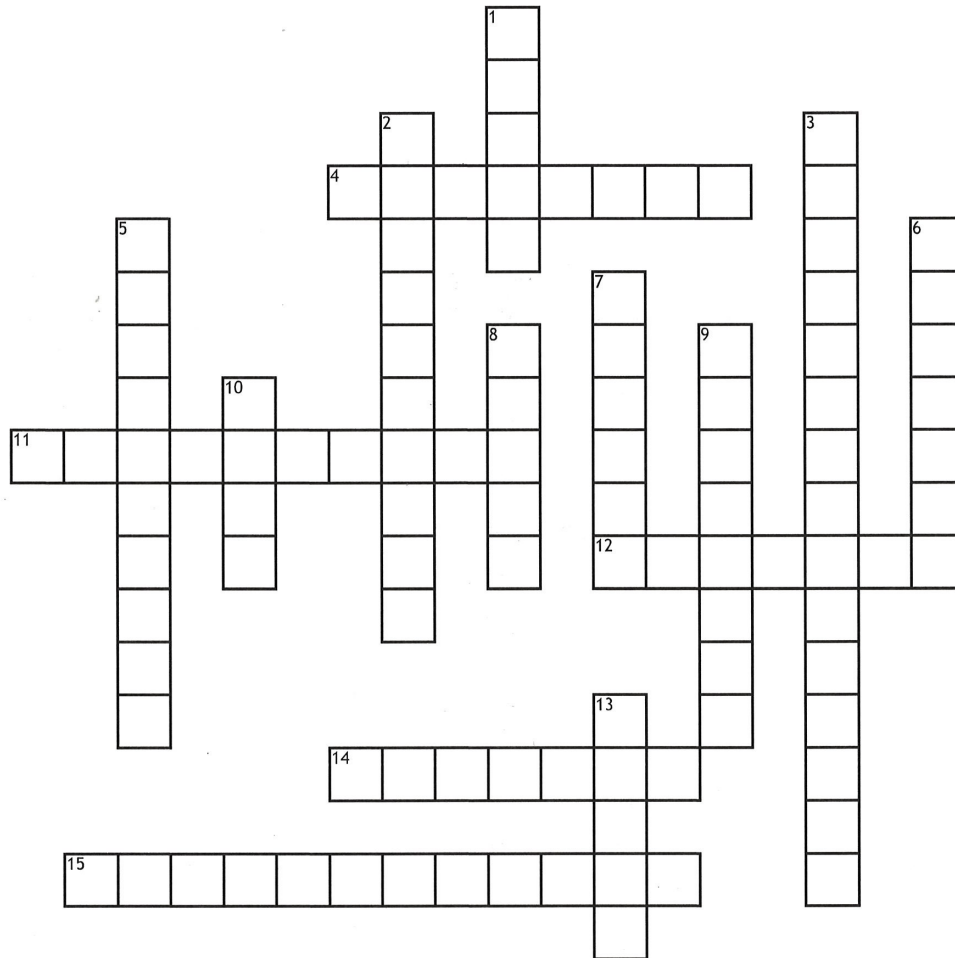
Third grade students reading in the area of our future garden (above). The vision for our garden spot (below).



March Character Award Winners PERSISTENCE



I Love The Library



Across

4. Fact finding
 11. A story of real facts.
 12. A distinct group of books shelved together.
 14. The day you must return a book.
 15. System used to arrange nonfiction books

Down

1. Overdue fee
 2. Publication issued regularly
 3. The location of where books are checked out.
 5. Information of where a book is located.
 6. Non factual literature

7. Where books are stored in the library.
 8. Term used to describe different writing styles
 9. The title of the person in charge of the library.
 10. Overdue fee
 13. A book of maps.

In the Library

Word Search Puzzle



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 C Z N Y X U M A G A Z I N E S E H V S
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Rockstar Teacher of the Month

Mrs. Hausner is a true Rockstar! Every day she puts her all into ensuring her students have a



safe, comfortable, and engaging learning environment. Every student past or present has loved being one of her kids. Students learn and grow every day with Bonnie as their guide. She's enthusiastic about what she does and makes learning fun. Ask any of her former students and they will tell you every day in Mrs. Hausner's class was a new and exciting adventure. She helps her students find their love of learning and encourages every

student to do their best. She knows that students can do anything they set their mind to if you create a classroom they can't wait to be inside. For all this, there is no doubt that Mrs. Hausner will always be a legendary rockstar for the community that Dent-Phelps R-III serves.

You're an inspiration to more than you know, your influence in lives is unending. Keep Rocking, Mrs. Hausner!

Hunter Safety Training was a Success



Nearly twenty (20) students completed and passed the Missouri Hunter Safety Training last month.

Thank you to Dave Ingram with the Missouri Department of Conservation and our own Mr. Stratton and Coach Lindsey for teaching the course to our students.



A Great Volleyball Season

By Coach Deanna Atkinson

Volleyball season is officially over and the Bobcat Volleyball team proved to be such an impressive group of players. Being on a team taught the young ladies communication skills, empathy, social skills, active listening, and trust. They worked hard to create a bond of trust, friendship, and companionship. During practice the girls would work together to build the strengths of the team and improve weaknesses. The confidence level of each player and self-esteem was continually supported by each player always providing encouragement when chips were down. I am super proud

of the display of being a “team player” each girl presented. They worked really hard all season despite obstacles put in their path. Way to go Bobcats! I am looking forward to another season of volleyball in the 2023/2024 school year!

I want to recognize the Dent-Phelps Volleyball team: 8th grade: Colleen Montoya, Morgan Radford, Leyna Holloway, and Ashley Wethy. 7th grade: Carly Atkinson, Kaelynn Norris, and Brynna Pace 6th grade: Josie Bowers, Emily Rossy, Gracie Bunton, Paisley May, and Abby Edmondson



A Few More Weeks of Learning

By Ms. Stephanie Dittman, Curriculum Coordinator

Warmer temperatures, longer days, trees budding, birds migrating, daffodils blooming and the “peep frogs” are calling. Signs of spring! Adults may start thinking about mowing the lawn, getting the garden in, spring projects needed for warmer weather but what are the students possibly thinking about?



SCHOOL IS ALMOST OUT, FIELD TRIPS, EXTRA RECESS, FIELD DAY, GOING HOME AND PLAYING OUTSIDE!!!

But, students still have a few more hills to climb before school is out! These signs of spring get our students excited for summer and seemingly forget there is more to accomplish before the summer break. For our third through eighth grade students the state MAP test will be given in April and our lower grade students are still learning and getting ready for the next school year academically.

Parents, I encourage you to keep trudging along just a little bit longer. Your

support is imperative to keep our students on the same routine and keep their brains learning.

The fourth quarter will end on May 12th. Let's finish this year strong by setting your child up for a good start to the next cycle of learning.



SPRING SAFETY TIPS FROM NURSE ALICIA

Spring is **FINALLY** here! Nice weather, blue skies – what better reason to get outside after long cold months cooped up indoors. Just remember some tips to stay in top health during the Spring!



Kids are happy to be outside after the winter, but so are bees/wasps/hornets. If you encounter these insects, stay calm or walk away. Do not swat as this angers them. If stung, immediately remove the stinger and apply ice to reduce swelling. If stung, and your child is allergic, use epinephrine shot or Epi-Pen and contact your doctor immediately!



Running around the yard/parks/the woods means kids might come across poison ivy. So teach them what this plant looks like. (“Leaves of three, leave them be!”). Wear long sleeves and pants in areas that might contain poison ivy. If you come into contact with it, apply calamine lotion/hydrocortisone cream and avoid scratching it. If a fever develops after exposure, contact your doctor.



Spring frequently brings extra rain, which might make your kids’ favorite creek a little faster and deeper than they are used to. Remind them to be extra careful around water, and it’s a good idea to check out any water depth and safety before your kids play around it.



Nice weather means bike weather! If you and/or your children go bike riding, always wear a helmet. Look both ways before crossing the street, and follow crosswalk instructions. Only ride on sidewalks and bike paths that are free of cars.

Enjoy it!!!

Love, Nurse Alicia

🌸 SPRING GARDEN 🌸

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WORD LIST

BIRDS
DAISY
GRASS
IRIS
LILY

NEST
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ROSE
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Homemade GIFTS MADE EASY

Bugs Counting



Count the bugs and answer the questions by drawing a circle around the correct numbers.



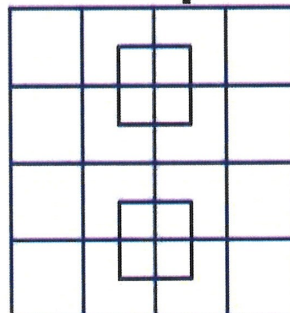
How many **butterflies** can you see? **1** **2** **3**

How many **ladybugs** can you see? **1** **2** **3**

How many **bees** can you see? **1** **2** **3**

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How many squares are in this picture?



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