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Top fundraising students for this year's Math-A-Thon were treated to pizza and a movie for helping to generate almost \$30,000 for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, bringing the district's accumulative contribution to over \$1.1 million.

The students are typically invited to tour St. Jude in Memphis, but since the medical center is not accepting visitors at this time, Pizza Inn opened its game room and a special showing of Disney's "Cars" was arranged on Wednesday, March 24, at Kay Porter Theater

The group of students—three per participating building—included last year's top fundraisers who missed out on the reward due to the district's wellness break. Students also received gift bags with items donated by First Midwest Bank, Lemonade House Grille, McDonald's, Sonic and St. Jude.

The Poplar Bluff School District has been a part of the Math-A-Thon since the 1988/89 academic year under the direction of former O'Neal Principal Lorenzo Sandlin, and the fundraiser went district-wide over the next decade.

Treatments invented at St. Jude have helped push the childhood cancer survival rate from 20 to 80 percent, according to the medical center's website.

Pictured: Students pictured (in alphabetical order, not the order in which they appear) are Madeline Allbritton, Brookelyn Ballow, Liam Bates, Blayne Bell, Bree Blackwell, Karter Brown, Peyton Brumitt, Dalilah Burkeen, Dakota Collins, Austin Crismon, Chandler

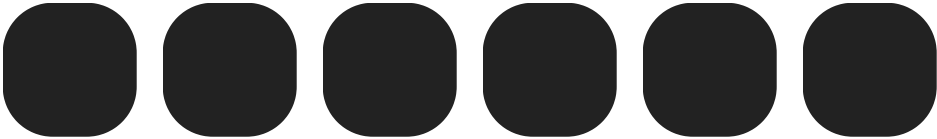
Crunk, Logan Crunk, Stella Cummings, Maddi DeHart, Jake Fickert, Kaitlyn Hillis, Chadrick Joehrs, Natalya Johnson, Nash Ligon, Ace Luecke, Jayden Massa, Natalie Meyer, Kyleigh Moffitt, Macy Mustain, Kayden Robbins, Dalton Rommel, Natalea Rommel, Chloe Rowland, Miles Sandlin, Sheldon Schaefer, Jace Silman, Bailey Smith, Reagan Sparkman, Kerris Taylor, Maddox Wilson and Presley Wilson.

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Southwest Elementary to Host Two Kindergarten Graduation Ceremonies

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Dexter, MO - Southwest Elementary will have kindergarten graduation ceremonies this year! In order to comply with COVID-19 safety protocol, they will host graduation on two nights.

Students in Mrs. McLaughlin, Mrs. Cecil, Mrs. Ward, and Mrs. Macey Cooper's room will participate in a ceremony on Monday, May 17th at 6 p.m.

Students in Ms. Kaci Cooper, Mrs. Fortner, Mrs Tanner, Mrs. Clark, and Mrs. Horton's room will participate in a ceremony on Tuesday, May 18th at 6 p.m.

Both ceremonies will be held in the Bearcat Event Center.

The school will provide each student with a cap and gown. If you would like to order a cap and gown as a keepsake they are available for \$15.00 each.

It is important to remember that every child will be given a cap and gown to wear on graduation night, but will be collected at the end of the night unless you decide to purchase the cape and gown as a keepsake.

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Bernie Elementary Students Earn Positive Office Referral Awards

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Bernie, Missouri - Bernie Elementary Positive Office Referrals were awarded this week. These students were rewarded for their good behavior!

Students who earn such an honor also received a Subway Sandwich Gift Card and a POR Certificate.

These students were referred for displaying positive behavior!

Check out these students and the positive choices they have been making!!

Front Row:

Landon (2nd) ran to hold the door open for Mrs. Cindy who was taking a load of lunches to the preschool.

Grayson (1st) was caught encouraging older students to do good on their MAP test.

Spencer (1st) is a super listener in music. He always follows directions the first time.

Amber (1st) went out of her way to show kindness to a friend.

Kyleigh (K) has been making good choices.

Shaddix (K) showed kindness to Ms. Donna and Mrs. Salvy by sharing with them.

Jackson (2nd) grabbed a tray that someone left at lunch and dumped it along with his own tray.

Middle Row:

Eylen (3rd) went out of her way to help Ms. Donna refill the soap and paper towels dispensers, and she picked up all of the paper towels off the floor.

Josiah (3rd) has been helpful and a good friend to others.

Brooks & Jeremiah (3rd) are always following directions and being kind.

CJ (3rd) has been helpful and a good friend to others.

Jansen (3rd) was following directions and participating in class.

Travelle (3rd) helped a kindergarten student tie his shoes.

Back Row:

Tessa (4th) ran to hold the door open for Mrs. Cindy who was taking a load of lunches to the preschool.

Ciara (4th) has been helpful in the classroom.

Landon (6th) made an extra effort to hold the door open for a teacher.

Luci (5th) dirty trays fell out of the cafeteria window and she picked them up.

Abigail (4th) worked very hard on her MAP test.

Westyn (4th) worked very hard on his MAP test.

Emma (5th) shows kindness to all of her classmates and brings snacks to the class to share every week.

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DHS Weekly Activities for April 27th - May 1st

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Dexter High School - This listing of weekly activities is a service offered by the ShowMe Times, working in partnership with Dexter High School Asst. Principal Melissa Hahn for your convenience.

We hope you will mark your calendar and we encourage everyone to support our local students and their activities. The education and growth of young people in our community is the key to everyone's future! If you would like to submit information and a picture of a student and his/her accomplishments, send it to dloflin@showmetimes.com

CALENDAR

Tuesday 4-27-21

EOC Testing

Varsity Softball at Ellington, 4:00 pm, bus 2:00 pm

Varsity Golf vs. Kennett/Sikeston/Notre Dame at home

Varsity Baseball vs. Twin Rivers at home, 4:00 pm - Senior Day

Wednesday 4-28-21

EOC Testing

Boys Tennis at Sikeston, 4:00 pm, bus 2:45 pm

JV Golf at Sikeston, 3:30 pm, bus 2:30 pm

Track at Poplar Bluff Invitational, 3:30 pm, bus 2:15 pm

Thursday 4-29-21

EOC Testing

Scholar Bowl Senior Night, 4:00 pm

Varsity Softball vs. Senath Hornersville at home, 4:30 pm

Friday 4-30-21

Varsity Baseball at Semo Conference Tournament

Dexter Varsity vs. Jackson at Capaha Park, 6:00 pm, bus 3:45 pm

Boys Tennis at Farmington Tournament, depart 6:30 am

Varsity Softball vs. Caruthersville High School at home, 4:30 pm

Saturday 5-1-21

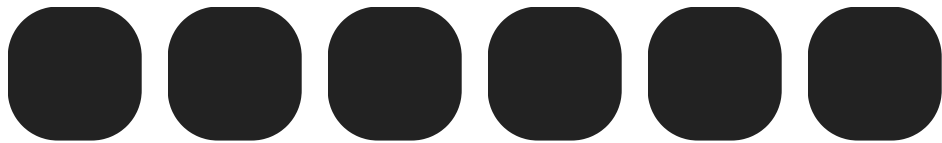
Varsity Baseball at Semo Conference Tournament, TBD

Track at Semo Conference Meet at Notre Dame, 9:00 am

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Age Spots by Jackie Dover - It's My Mess, What do I do With It?

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It's My Mess, What do I do With It?

I live in a house with four boys, ranging in age from 14 to 20, sometimes my house gets messy. Truthfully, it is probably more messy than not, most of the time. So like many people, the first hint of warm weather puts me in the mood to do some deep cleaning. It's spring cleaning time!

Spring-cleaning cannot only make your home look better it can have some unexpected benefits for you also. Deep cleaning your home can reduce the amount of allergens in your home and make breathing easier. Dust, mildew, mold and pet dander can cause your allergies to go haywire. Vacuuming your floors regularly, dusting and removing clutter can reduce these potential allergy triggers. Cleaning rooms that can become damp such as bathrooms, laundry rooms and basements can also reduce mildew and even mold growth, which helps keep our inside air clean.

Cleaning also gets us up and moving, which we all need. Vacuuming and mopping, laundry and even dusting allow us to stretch, lift and get some cardio in. Even 30 minutes of physical activity can help weight loss and provide a boost to our mood.

Cleaning the clutter that accumulates helps relieve stress. Having things disorganized can make us feel anxious and the feeling of satisfaction after you clean up an area can encourage you to clean even more. When all that clutter is gone, you can enjoy your new clean space.

When you are decluttering you may have gently used items that you no longer want or need. You can donate them to Goodwill or another charity so others can benefit from what you do not need. There are also re-sale shops where you could make some money.

So how do you get started with the Spring-cleaning, especially if you have not been following a cleaning routine lately?

Make a list-what do you want done most, what do you want to accomplish?

Make sure you have the things you need. Lemon, vinegar and baking soda are natural and inexpensive and can be used for many cleaning purposes.

Start small. Not everything has to be done all at once.

Play music in the background, pick music that you enjoy and that makes you want to move.

Enlist family to help or even friends. Teamwork gets it done faster and makes it more fun.

Do something every day and establish a routine.

Do not get discouraged!

I am making my list of who gets to do what in my house, since they helped make the mess they can help clean it. I'm opening my windows to let fresh air in and we are going to have a day of it. Try to have fun with your cleaning and enjoy the spring weather.

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