

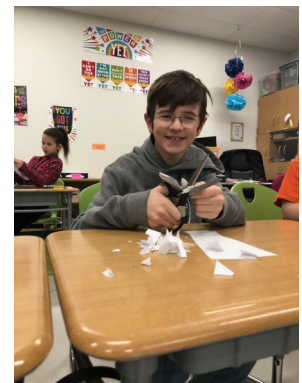
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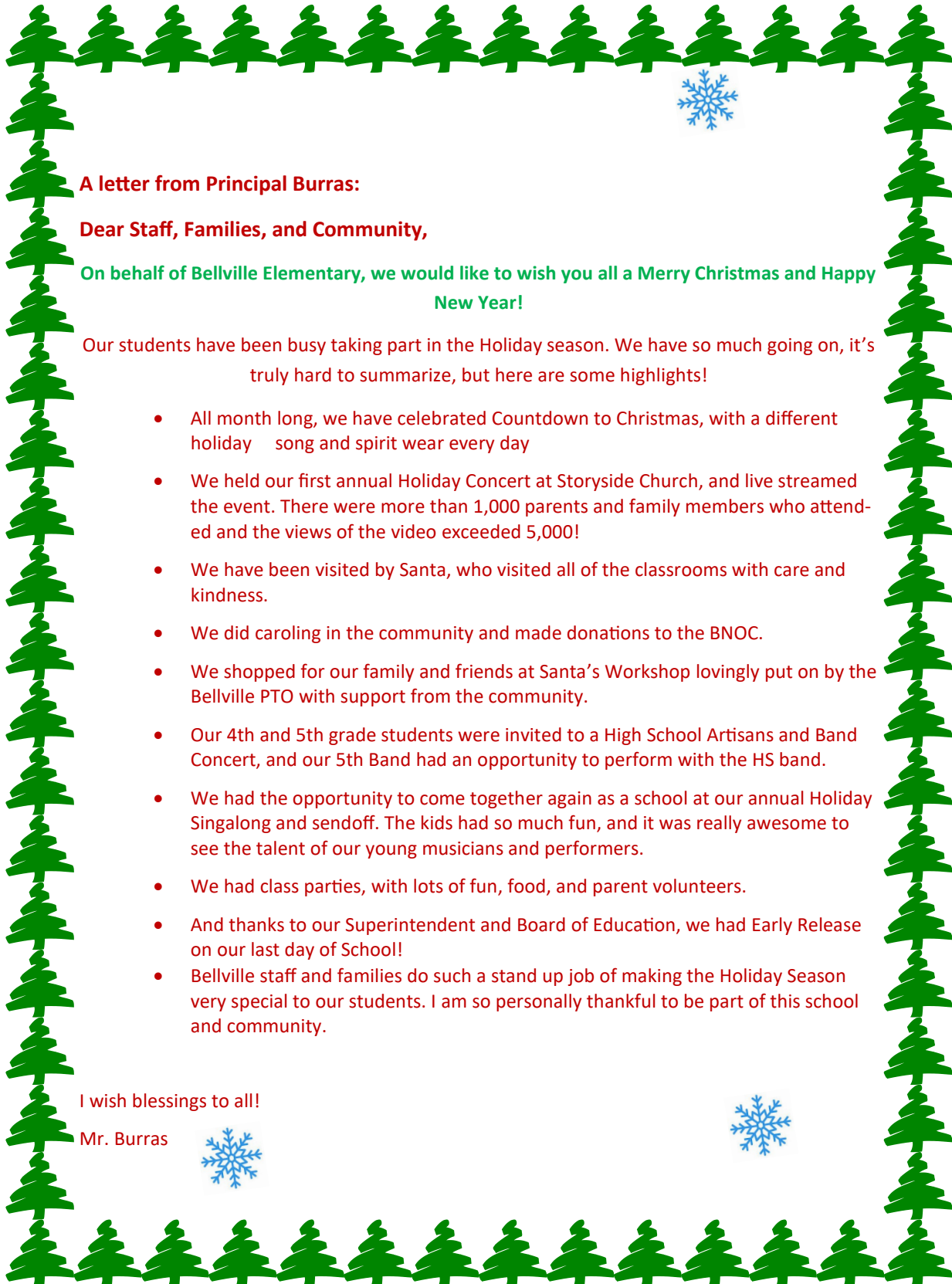


December 20, 2024

Butler News...

Cathy Kinney's 4th grade students learned about [Snowflake Bentley](#), a famous photographer of snowflakes. They reviewed symmetry in math class, using videos to teach them how to make difficult snowflake designs. The snowflakes were used to decorate the Avita Health Emergency Room. This was headed up by [Malorie Kinney](#), who is a nurse in the ER. Malorie is Cathy's daughter and one of our very own CF graduates!





A letter from Principal Burras:

Dear Staff, Families, and Community,

On behalf of Bellville Elementary, we would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Our students have been busy taking part in the Holiday season. We have so much going on, it's truly hard to summarize, but here are some highlights!

- All month long, we have celebrated Countdown to Christmas, with a different holiday song and spirit wear every day
- We held our first annual Holiday Concert at Storyside Church, and live streamed the event. There were more than 1,000 parents and family members who attended and the views of the video exceeded 5,000!
- We have been visited by Santa, who visited all of the classrooms with care and kindness.
- We did caroling in the community and made donations to the BNOC.
- We shopped for our family and friends at Santa's Workshop lovingly put on by the Bellville PTO with support from the community.
- Our 4th and 5th grade students were invited to a High School Artisans and Band Concert, and our 5th Band had an opportunity to perform with the HS band.
- We had the opportunity to come together again as a school at our annual Holiday Singalong and sendoff. The kids had so much fun, and it was really awesome to see the talent of our young musicians and performers.
- We had class parties, with lots of fun, food, and parent volunteers.
- And thanks to our Superintendent and Board of Education, we had Early Release on our last day of School!
- Bellville staff and families do such a stand up job of making the Holiday Season very special to our students. I am so personally thankful to be part of this school and community.

I wish blessings to all!

Mr. Burras

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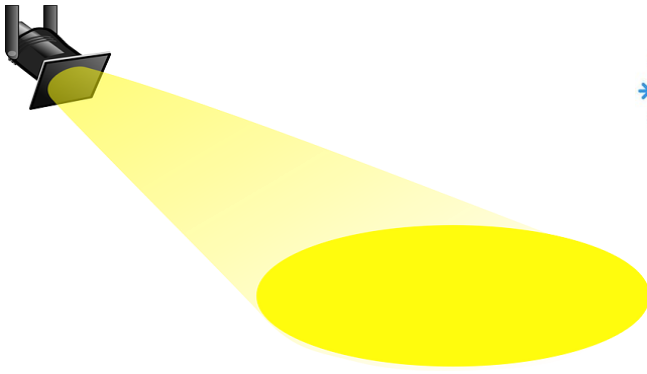
Holiday Concert at Storyside Church - December 16th



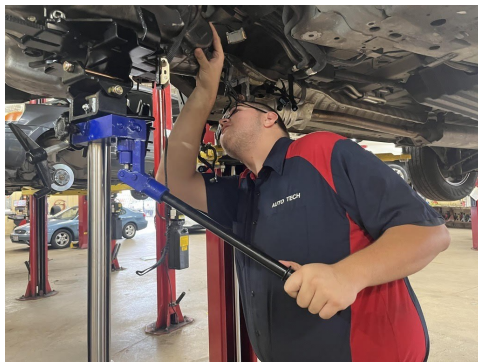
High School Artisans and Band Concert that the 4th and 5th Grade students attended.



Bellville 2nd grade students donated 2 **OVERFLOWING** shopping carts of non-perishable foods, toiletries, socks and hats. There was over 105lbs of food! This is great community service right here! Great job kids!

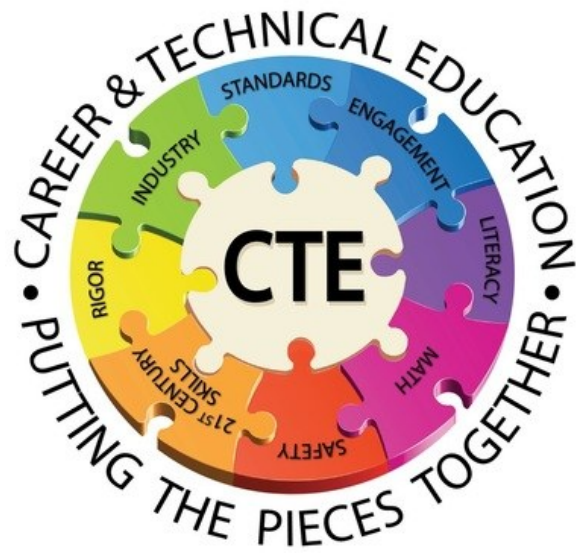


Career Center Spotlight



Senior - Jared Bowman

Jared attends the Knox County Career Center and is enrolled in Automotive Technologies. He is in a Co-Op program with Danville KB Tire and Auto. Jared likes fishing, hanging out with his brothers and working on cars! After high school Jared will be attending the Ohio Technical College in Cleveland for the Diesel Mechanics program, with an Associates Degree in Applied Science. He will begin the 15 month program July 15, 2025. Good luck to you Jared!



Senior - Tanner Thorne

Tanner attends the Knox County Career Center and is enrolled in Metal Fabrication. He earned a 4 year Varsity Letter in Golf. Tanner is a talented woodworker and has his own business - Handcrafted by Tanner Thorne, LLC. He began woodworking when he was about 12 years old. He has also been skiing since he was 3! Currently, he is rebuilding a 2007 Duramax Diesel truck, creating his own flatbed which he built out of metal and welded it himself. Tanner plans to continue his business and expand his services throughout Ohio.



Food Service and Transportation News...



Food Service - We will not have a salad bar on January 6th, but do not fear! It will return on January 7th!

Have a great Christmas Break!



Team building activity at its finest! The **Lunch Ladies** enjoyed their Christmas party, painting a festive Highland Cow! So much talent in this room! "Moo"ve over Vincent van Gogh!



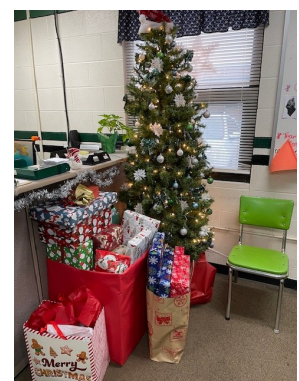
Things are festive at the Bus Garage! Look at **Lisa Wood, Deb Williams, Mike Conrad, Scott Wood and Danny Wade** sporting their Christmas Spirit with their Grinch shirts!



Bus #17 is now The Polar Express!!



Have a doubly great Christmas!!



The Transportation Team adopted a family in need from Holiday Happiness. What a generous act of kindness for a wonderful cause!! Here is a photo of the donated gifts.

Middle School News...



Students of the month:

November

Stella Stone—6th

Kaleb Lemley—7th

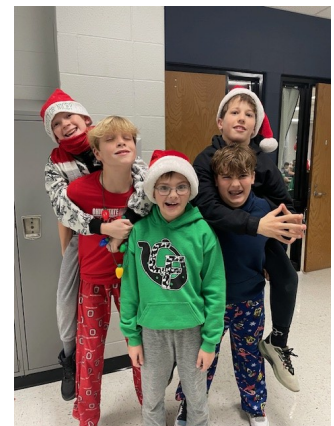
Brody Douglas— 8th

December

Branton Copley—6th

Monroe Ream—7th

Brea Bieri—8th



It looks like Christmas might be a little rough this year for Logan and Randy!!



Does the Grinch get presents or coal? Hmmm...

...Middle School Continued



With the funds we raised from our Coin Wars in November, we were able to sponsor a family of 5 children in need. The MS was able to purchase those children clothing items, toys/wants, and provide them with a line of credit at Stoodt's for groceries and household items. The last chunk of the Coin War money went to support the Holiday Happiness program with their meals they provide during the Holidays.



Our 8th grade Advanced Ag Class has been busy as of late. Mrs. Kline recently incubated eggs and our students were able to learn about chickens and genetics while hanging out with baby chicks!

How Fun!!



Our MS Bands and Choirs put together an awesome collection of concerts over the last 2 weeks! Thank you Mr. Jancura, Miss Alibeckoff, and Mr. Brasure for all of your hard work and dedication to our music community!



High School News...



Mr. Jancura with one of the choral groups, at the high school Holiday Choir Concert.



The Artisans performing at the high school Holiday Choir Concert.

High School Holiday Choir Concert



Mrs. Claus even made an appearance at the Choir Concert!



PBIS "Burrito Day" was a bit "hit", complete with a pinata for students.

...more High School News



High School students: **Jay Jackson, Mason Sansom, and Emily Montgomery** attended the Rotary Club Luncheon to share their story about high school and their accomplishments.

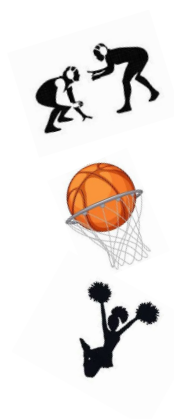
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Students in the Physical Science class are shocked and surprised by the chemical reactions!



Winter Sport Seniors



HS Wrestling Team—Charles Swank Memorial Invite Champions! Congratulations team! Way to represent in a BIG way!

The **Girls basketball** team is currently 7-2 overall and 4-1 in the MOAC. Their next game is December 28, at home vs. Highland at 6/7:15 pm. Good Luck Girls!!

The **Boys basketball** team is currently 2-3 overall and 2-1 in the MOAC. They play at Marion Harding Friday, Dec.20 and their next home game is Dec. 27 at 4:45/6/7:15. vs. Shelby. We will also be having our Teddy Bear Toss—All items will be donated to our local police and fire departments.

The **Wrestling team** **DOMINATED** the Charles Swank Memorial Invite last weekend and will compete at Hoover High School in North Canton tonight and tomorrow.