

# Ralph E. Waite Elementary School

March 2021 Newsletter

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Hello Waite Families,

As I reflect upon this past year since the start of the pandemic, it is hard to put into words how grateful I am for our Waite Elementary school family. The incredible strength and resilience of our students, unwavering support of our families, and the flexibility and dedication of our staff continues to amaze me daily. It is exciting to enter spring and the final trimester of the school year with optimism, hope and sunshine! Happy March 2021!

Cindy Grice, Principal

### Leaders of the Month



**Congratulations** to the following Leaders of the Month! Each of the students had a special recognition in their classroom and received a lucky "buckeye" to celebrate their leadership.

Kindergarten: Gavin Jules, Lilly Wise, Finley Ewing

**1st Grade:** Alina Friszman, Spencer Tighe, Aiden Kaptein, Alice Duchnowski **2nd Grade:** Mason Miller, Westin Golli, Kade Jerousek, Colton Anthony

3rd Grade: Emma Cain, Colin Supelak, Faith Huff, Alayna Stefaniuk, Gianna Crouch, Damian Benz

**4th Grade:** Jayden Crain, Joey Haynes, Madison Tucker **5th Grade:** Lindsay Meyer, Taylor Pidgeon, Julia Reusch

## **Smile Mail Bringing Smiles!**





Thank you, Waite Elementary students, for bringing so many smiles to our "new friends" in the community with Smile Mail! These pictures were in the Gazette this week and brought us all such joy to see their smiles! Stay tuned for more opportunities to continue this amazing initiative.





#### Water Bottle Reminder

Thank you for your help in reminding your child to bring a refillable water bottle to school each day. Students are able to refill their water bottles throughout the day since our drinking fountains are not in use at this time. Thank you!

#### The Great Waite Virtual Talent Show!

Thanks to the great lightbulb idea of fifth grade student, Landen Cusick, we are excited to host "The Great Waite Virtual Talent Show"! Each year, we look forward to showcasing the talents of our Waite students, and this year is no exception!

- Talent show tryout videos (90 seconds or less) can be emailed to Mrs. Hoffmann hoffmane@medinabees.org by Friday, April 9th.
- Acts can be: individual acts, same family acts, or acts of 2 people (masked and socially distanced)
- Tryout video submissions should be performance ready.

Good luck! We can't wait to see our amazing Waite talents!

#### **Mark Your Calendars**

- Thursday, March 11th: Early Release 2:30
- Friday, March 12th: No School •
- March 29-April 5th: No School: Spring Break!
- April 6th: Return to school
- April 7th-8th: 5th Grade State Testing ELA (MODA April 8th)
- April 12th-13th: 4th Grade State Testing ELA (MODA April 14th)
- April 14th-15th: 3rd Grade State Testing ELA (MODA April 15th)
- April 19th-20th: 5th Grade State Testing Math (MODA April 20th)
- April 21st-22nd: 4th Grade State Testing Math (MODA April 22nd)
- April 26th-27th: 3rd Grade State Testing Math (MODA April 27th)
- April 28th-29th: 5th Grade State Testing Science (MODA April 29th)





## Learning is fun!



4th Grade Electricity Circuits!



3rd Grade Student Teaching about Ramadan



5th Grade Learning About Sound Waves!



Kindergarten STEM Time!







Learning How to Code with Ms. Goll!

