October

NEWSLETTER



Greetings from the Superintendent's Desk

October is a busy month of conferences. The ND state teacher's conference, administrator's conference, school board convention, and NDSBA Law Seminar all take place during the last two weeks of October. There are many topics of interest at these meetings including information on school improvement, funding, social emotional learning (SEL) and culture/climate just to name a few.

This is a legislative year so it feels like the health of public education is up for discussion. LOL. There are several things that will be discussed and decided over the next few months that will have a direct affect on our school. Title funding, the 3% tax cap, a return of a cap on general fund carryover, per pupil funding and transportation funding will be important decisions for education and more specifically our district. Federal funding for special education is also at a critical point of support.

I want to take a minute and give a shout of to Jeff Shie and the NGS Girls Golf season. Jeff is our "local coach". The team has had a great season. The NGS girl's golf team won the regional tournament and qualified for the ND State Girl's Golf Tournament in Carrington. Congratulations to team members Deziray Zenker and Izabelle Miller. An added congratulations to Deziray for also qualifying individually.

We strive to develop positive attitudes and a strong work ethic in our students. Through extracurricular activities, social events, and class electives, students build character and resilience to succeed. We try to do this while maintaining balance and hopefully achieving the high standards set forth by the state and federal governments. It is not an easy task for our students, parents, teachers, and administrators so we applaud all those people who offer positive encouragement and support.

Thank you for supporting our school!!

If you have any questions, please contact the Gackle-Streeter School District Office at 485-3692.

Sincerely,
Supt. Mark Berg
"Empowering all students to succeed"

Education is not the filling of a bucket, but the lighting of a fire. -- W. B. Yeats



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NDHSAA CLASS B GIRLS GOLF

QUALIFIERS

ALIYAH SCHWARTZENBERGER AND DEZIRAY ZENKER

IMPERIALS GIRLS GOLF

Dear Parents and Families,

We are off to a great start to the 2026–2027 school year! It has been great having our students back in the building and seeing them settle into their routines. One of the best parts of my day is getting to visit with students in the hallways, stop into classrooms to see the students' success, and to see them participate in activities. I have been very pleased with the positive attitude and energy our students have brought to the school year.

As we continue through the fall, we encourage students to stay focused on attendance, academics, and making positive choices. Developing good habits early in the year can make a big difference as classes become more challenging. We want students to know that our teachers and staff are always available to help when they need extra support or have questions.

We also encourage our students to take advantage of opportunities outside of the classroom. Athletics, activities, one act play, and school events are great ways for students to get involved and build connections with their classmates and our school. These experiences help students develop teamwork, responsibility, leadership, and school pride.

Most importantly, we want our school to continue to be a place where students enjoy coming to school, feel supported, and are proud to be an Oriole. We have a great group of students and staff, and I am excited to see what they accomplish throughout the year.

Thank you to our parents and families for your continued support. The partnership between our school, families, and community plays an important role in the success of our students. Please never hesitate to reach out if you have questions, concerns, or if there is anything we can do to better support your child.

We are looking forward to a great year!

Go Orioles!

Logan Klitzke
High School Principal
Gackle-Streeter Public School

OUR SCHOOL CULTURE BELONGS TO ALL OF US

Lately, I have been thinking a lot about school culture. I used to think that school culture was mostly shaped by teachers and principals, but now I see that it really belongs to everyone. Students, staff, families, and our community all play a part.

I have noticed that the climate of a school is the feeling you get when you walk in. Are people friendly? Do students feel safe and supported? Do staff feel valued? School culture goes even deeper than that. It is shaped by how we talk to each other, how we treat one another, and the example we set for our children every day.

In my experience, we do not always agree on everything at school. There will be questions and concerns, and sometimes we have hard conversations. I believe this is normal and can help us grow. What matters most is how we handle these moments. Respectful communication, listening, and working through concerns together are important for a healthy school culture.

I want families and community members to know that we welcome questions, ideas, and concerns. I believe we do our best work when we work together.

I have noticed that children watch how adults talk to each other and how we treat one another. When they see families, staff, and community members working together, even if we do not always agree, we are teaching them something important.

There are many good things happening at Gackle-Streeter, and I am proud of our students and staff. My hope is that we keep building a school community where everyone feels welcome, respected, supported, and comfortable coming to us with any concern.

A strong school culture is not built by one person.
It is built by all of us.

Ms. Lee

Elementary Principal

PK October News



Kindergarten News

In ELA we are working on letters, sounds, rhyming, and blending. We have also been reading about the 5 senses.

In math we are working on numbers and counting.

In Science we are learning about plants and animals.

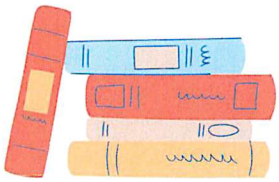
In social studies we are working on being good citizens.



We had so much fun at the Homecoming parade!

Sight words have come home with your student please practice them.

1st Grade
NEWSLETTER









WHAT WE'RE LEARNING

Reading:

- Working on handwriting
- Tricky Words/Sight Words
- We just finished our unit on fables and folktales! Next up: The Human Body

Math:

- Addition within 10 strategies
  - Break apart, doubles facts, doubles facts plus 1, finding unknown addends

Science:

- Offspring Trait Variation
- Parent/Offspring Behavior
- Lots of trait identification activities!

Social Studies:

- Being Respnsible Citizens
  - Honesty, respect, working together

MS. SEIGMAN'S
SECOND GRADE NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2026



BACK IN THE SWING OF THINGS!

A Note from Ms. Seigman

We are back in the swing of things! We are currently working on tricky words, learning how different letters make different sounds, practicing weekly spelling words, and transitioning into subtraction in Math and Spring Math. I can already tell it is going to be a very busy year with a busy class of students!

- Ms. Seigman

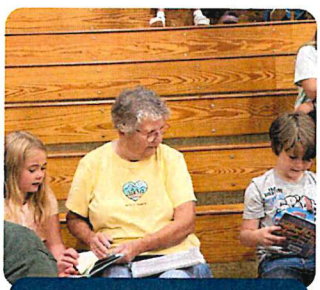
WHAT WE'RE LEARNING

- **READING**
  Tricky words and letter sounds
- **SPELLING**
  Weekly spelling words
- **MATH**
  Subtraction and Spring Math

CLASSROOM MOMENTS



LEARNING TOGETHER



READING CONNECTIONS



SPECIAL VISITORS



COMMUNITY HELPERS

Busy minds. Kind hearts. Big growth!

Ms. Seigman's Second Grade

October
THIRD GRADE

By: Sophia



September 11th was a busy day. We learned about heroes. We wrote about someone who is a hero in our life. We also made an art project to remember 9/11. We also rode the school bus to Napoleon for the Homecoming Parade. We got a lot of candy and had a great time!





Working hard reading with Courtney.

3rd Grade on picture day!





Coffee with Kids



OCTOBER

News from the 4th grade classroom

Whitestone Battlefield

The fourth graders had a field trip to Whitestone Battlefield this last month. They were able to put up and take down a Teepee, shoot bow and arrow, and learned all about the different furs native to the Dakotas.









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OCTOBER newsletter 5TH GRADE





September was a busy month that went by way too fast! We welcomed a girl to our class and are so excited to have her back with us! We have been reading and writing personal narratives in CKLA and have been learning place value and decimals in math. Football season has been in full swing and next up is basketball for the boys. We took in the homecoming parade and had school picture day. We are looking forward to Farm Safety Day in Napoloen on September 30th.

bloom with bridgette

CONGRATULATIONS!

ELEMENTARY LEADERSHIP TEAM



Congratulations to the students selected to serve on our Elementary Leadership Team! These students were chosen for showing responsibility, kindness, respect, and a willingness to help others. We look forward to seeing them share ideas, lead by example, and make a positive difference in our school. We are proud of you!

LEAD WITH KINDNESS. LEAD BY EXAMPLE.

What Does an Academic Interventionist Do?

To intervene is an action. It means stepping into a situation to help improve an outcome or prevent things from getting worse. In education, an interventionist (sometimes called a strategist) steps in to help students who struggle with academics, behavior, or social-emotional growth. Our primary goal is helping students catch up and meet grade-level standards. Thus, I step into a student's learning journey to provide targeted support, build foundational skills, and foster academic confidence.

Identifying Student Needs

- Universal Screening: We evaluate all K-12 students three times a year (fall, winter, and spring) using assessments like FastBridge.
- Pinpointing Gaps: Screenings categorize students as "on track," at "some risk," or at "high risk" to catch learning gaps early.
- Targeted Focus: Rather than just reteaching general homework, we focus on bolstering specific foundational skill gaps, such as reading fluency or core math concepts.

How Intervention Works

- Small Groups: Support is given in focused groups of 1 to 4 students.
- Dedicated Environment: Sessions take place outside the regular grade-level classroom for extra attention and skill development.
- Progress Monitoring: Teachers regularly check individual student growth to see if the current strategy is working or if a more intense approach is needed.

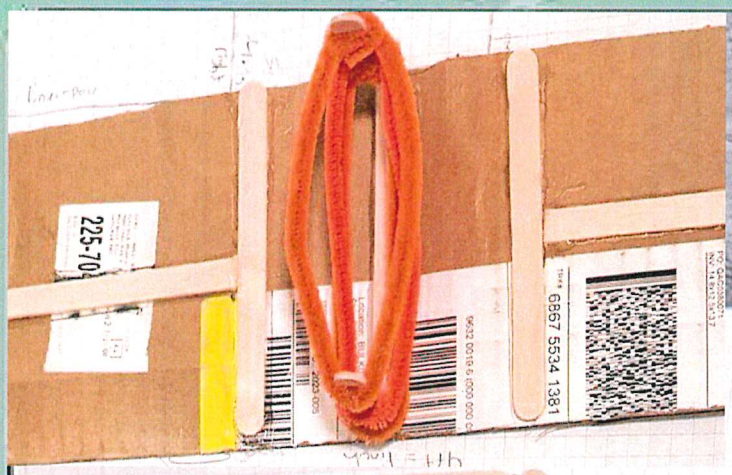
The Heart of the Work

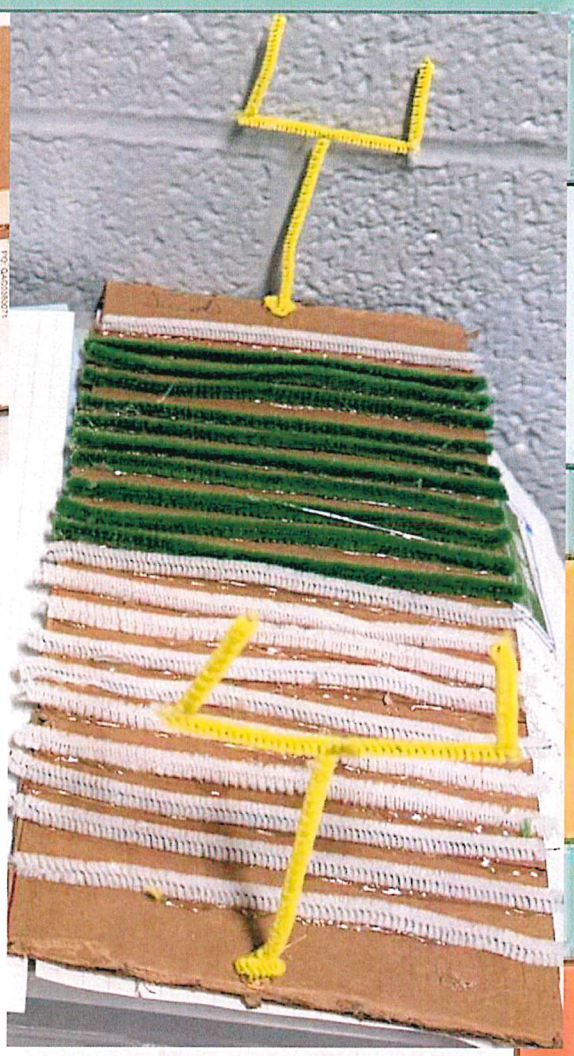
As an interventionist, my goal is to build and solidify the reading, writing, and math skills of my students. Time and again, I see that as foundational skills grow, so does a student's confidence and willingness to try harder things.

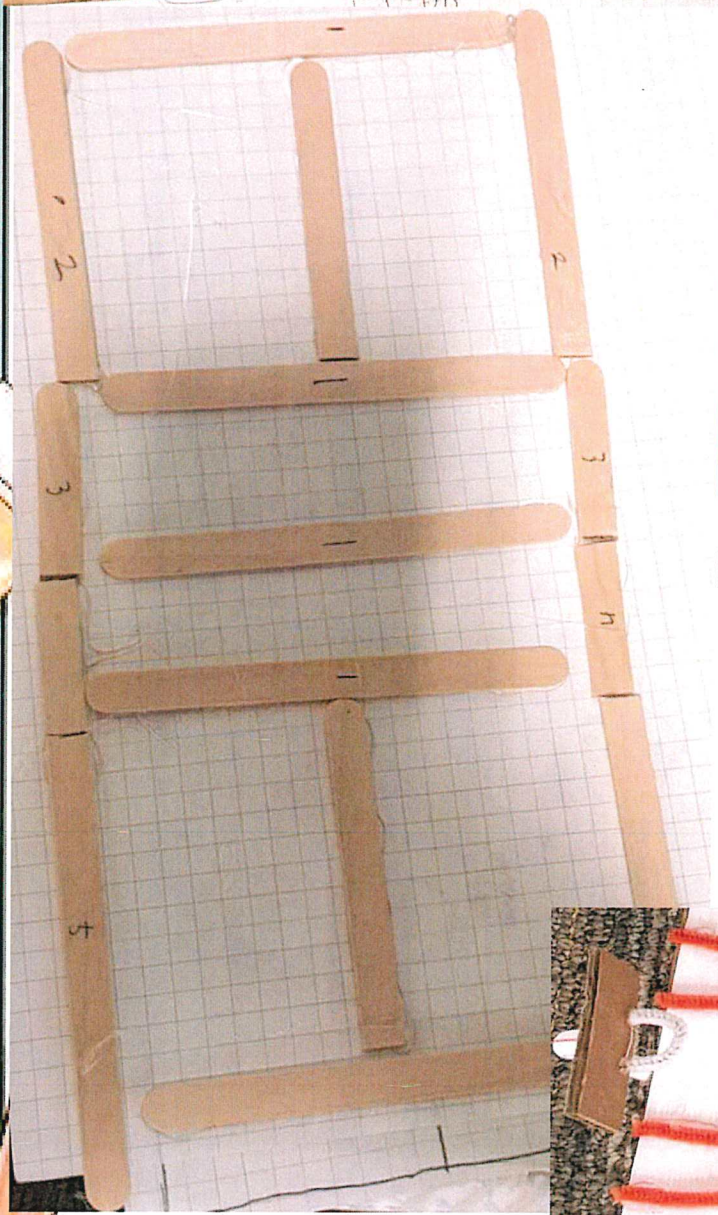
More than just a teacher, I see my role as a coach and a cheerleader—helping students grow and learn to believe in themselves.

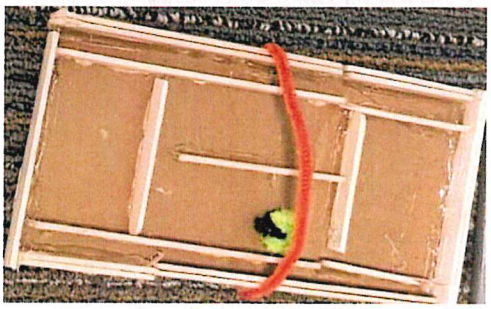


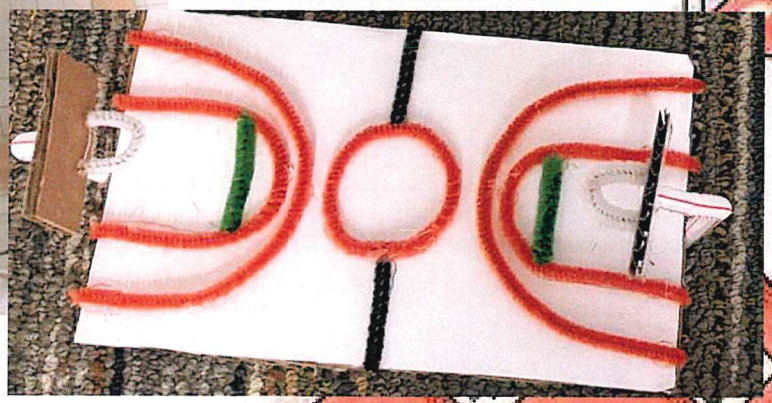
Geometry Class had some fun learning about lines and angles. They had a project where they had to create a court of some kind. Scale it down to fit on graph paper, then make a 3D model.











WHAT WE'VE COVERED IN ND STUDIES

WIND



WE LEARNED THAT WIND POWER IS AVAILABLE IN ND. THE WHOLE CLASS WITH A PARTNER MADE A WIND POWERED VEHICLE. WE LEARNED THAT YOU CAN USE WIND TO PRODUCE ELECTRICITY AND USE IT FOR TRANSPORT WITH SAILS.
-TRENT HOMOLA



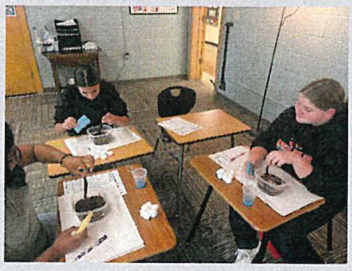
HYDROPOWER





OUR CLASS LEARNED A LOT ABOUT HYDROPOWER. HOW IT USES THE ENERGY OF MOVING WATER TO GENERATE CLEAN AND RENEWABLE ELECTRICITY. I ALSO LEARNED THAT THE GARRISON DAM IS THE ONLY PRODUCER OF HYDROPOWER IN NORTH DAKOTA. DOING THIS ACTIVITY WAS VERY FUN, AND A LITTLE CHALLENGING.
-IZZY MILLER

COAL & PETRO





I LEARNED THAT OIL IS A VERY VALUABLE RESOURSE AND IS IMPORTANT TO HAVE IT. IN OUR EXPERIEMTN WE PUT FEATHERS INTO OIL AND THEN TRIED TO CLEAN THEM. I WAS ABLE TO CLEAN THEM BUT THERE WAS STILL SOME RESIDUE LEFT.
-CLAY MULLER

WE LEARNED ABOUT LIGNITE AND PLACES WHERE COAL IS MADE IN ND. THE EXPERIMENT WE DID WAS PICKING OUT WAS DIFFERENT TYPES OF ROCK AND EXAMINED THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THEM AND COAL.
-CHARLEE SEIGMAN

NATURAL GAS

IN CLASS WE LEARNED A LOT ABOUT NATURAL GAS. ND IS RANKED 10TH IN THE U.S. FOR NATURAL GAS PRODUCTION. WE EVEN GOT TO MAKE OUR OWN NATURAL GAS PIPELINE.
-ALAINA NENOW





GACKLE-STREETER PUBLIC SCHOOL

COFFEE WITH KIDS PRESENTS

RUN & READ IN THE PARK



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2
9:00–9:30 AM

Families are invited to join us for reading, movement, and fun in the park!

Coffee donated by Coteau Cottage

GACKLE-STREETER
ORIOLES

PARENT TEACHER Conferences

CONNECT • COMMUNICATE • SUPPORT • SUCCEED

THURSDAY	MONDAY
OCTOBER 15TH	OCTOBER 19TH
3:30 PM – 7:30 PM	3:30 PM – 6:00 PM

We look forward to meeting with you!

TOGETHER
WE HELP OUR STUDENTS
GROW!

IMPERIALS GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

PLAY
STRENGTH
TOGETHER



HOME GAMES IN GACKLE

October 6 at 4:30 PM

October 20 at 6:00 PM

SAME GIRLS BIGGER GOALS

Come out and support our girls and school!

IMPERIALS PRIDE

COMING SOON!!!
GET YOUR WREATHS

THE JUNIOR CLASS WILL ONCE AGAIN BE SELLING WREATHS THIS YEAR AS A FUNDRAISER STARTING AROUND THE MIDDLE OF OCTOBER.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN A WREATH, SPRAY, CENTERPIECE, OR GARLAND CONTACT ANYONE FROM THE JUNIOR CLASS, MRS. ERBELE, OR MRS. BURKLE.

WE APPRECIATE YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR SCHOOL

GACKLE-STREETER
PUBLIC SCHOOL

We are looking for

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS!



INTERESTED?

Please contact the school

OR

Email Superintendent
Mark Berg at
mark.berg@k12.nd.us

SUPPORT OUR STUDENTS.

Make a difference!

GACKLE-STREETER PUBLIC SCHOOL **ORIOLES**

October Upcoming Events
2026 SCHOOL CALENDAR

THU OCT 1	Vision Screening for Grades K-5
FRI OCT 2	Run and Read
MON OCT 5	K-3 Fire Hall Visit
TUE OCT 6	Junior High Volleyball Game in Gackle
WED OCT 7	LATE START
FRI OCT 9	End of Quarter 1
MON OCT 12	Boy Scout Visit to the Elementary School
TUE OCT 13	School Board Meeting
WED OCT 14	• Career Fair in Medina for Juniors and Seniors • Super Appleman Visits the School
THU OCT 15	• Parent-Teacher Conferences - Night 1 | 3:30-7:30 PM • Boy Scout Sign-Up Evening
MON OCT 19	Parent-Teacher Conferences - Night 2 | 3:30-6:00 PM
TUE OCT 20	• Varsity and Junior Varsity Volleyball in Gackle | 6:00 PM • PINK NIGHT
WED OCT 21	LATE START
THU-FRI OCT 22-23	NO SCHOOL
MON OCT 26	Blood Drive
FRI OCT 30	Elementary Care Center Visit | Halloween

Please watch school communications for any schedule updates.

GACKLE-STREETER SCHOOL

FUELING BRIGHT MINDS

Breakfast Menu

OCTOBER 2026

Good Food Brighter Days! ♡

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
			1 Muffins	2 Donuts and Yogurt
5 Pop Tarts	6 Breakfast Burritos	7 Late Start No Breakfast	8 Pancakes	9 Biscuits and Gravy
12 French Toast Sticks	13 Pancake Bites	14 Egg Bites	15 Tornados	16 Hashbrown Stackers
19 Scrambled Eggs and Bacon	20 Fruit Pizza	21 Late Start No Breakfast	22 No School	23 No School
26 Omelet	27 Muffins	28 Parfaits	29 Oatmeal and Fruit	30 Caramel Rolls

GOOD BREAKFAST = BRIGHTER DAYS! ♡

Fuel Learn Achieve Together ♡

GACKLE-STREETER SCHOOL

FUELING BRIGHT MINDS

LUNCH MENU

OCTOBER 2026

Good Food Stronger Students! ♡

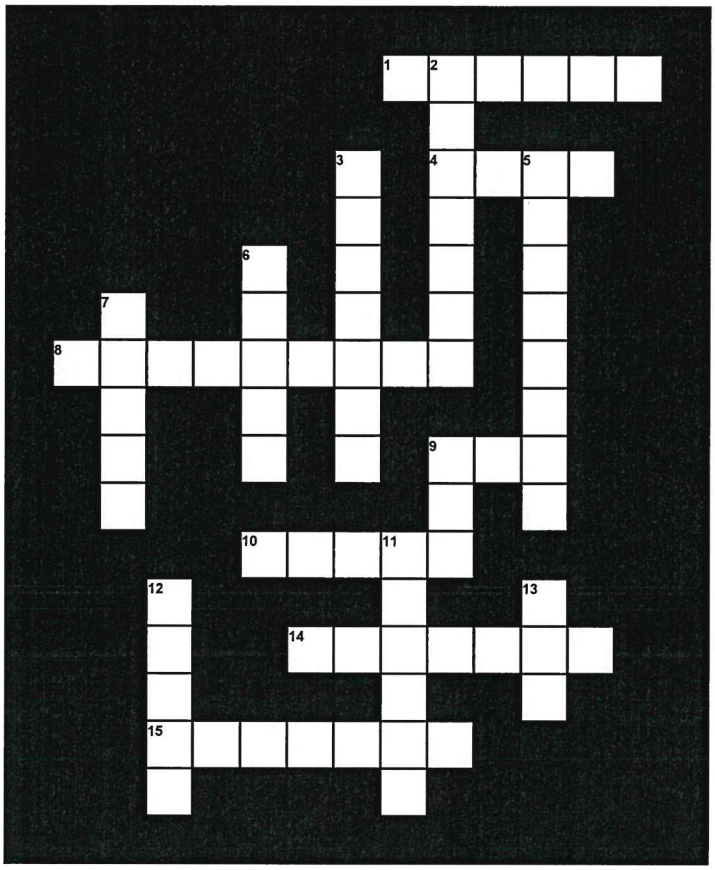
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
			1 Chicken Fajitas and Spanish Rice	2 Pizza
5 Orange Chicken Rice and Pineapple	6 Super Nachos	7 Soup and Sandwiches	8 Chicken Drumsticks and Potato Salad	9 Stuffed Crust Pizza
12 Tator Tot Hotdish and Green Beans	13 Walking Tacos	14 Chicken Patty and French Fries	15 Ham and Cheesy Hashbrowns	16 Pizza
19 Chicken Wings and Smiley Potatoes	20 Hot Dogs and Chili	21 Waffles and Sausage	22 No School	23 No School
26 Chicken Alfredo and Breadsticks	27 Ham and Cheese Sliders and Smiley Potatoes	28 Chicken Sticks and Mashed Potatoes	29 French Bread Pizza	30 Popcorn Chicken with Mac and Cheese

Healthy Meals ♥ Brighter Days ♥ Stronger Orioles

Halloween Crossword Puzzle

Gackle-Streeter Public School Newsletter

Use the clues to fill in the Halloween words. Good luck!



Across

1. An eight-legged creature that spins a web
4. Something worn to cover part or all of the face
8. The holiday celebrated on October 31
9. A word shouted to surprise someone
10. Something given to trick-or-treaters
14. The month when Halloween takes place
15. Special clothes worn to look like someone or something else

Down

2. An orange fruit often carved for Halloween
3. A light inside a container
5. All the bones that support a body
6. A spooky figure often shown wearing white
7. A sweet treat often collected on Halloween
9. A flying animal that is active at night
11. The season when leaves change color
12. A storybook character who may ride a broom
13. A sticky home made by a spider

Happy Halloween

Happy Halloween!

Have a safe and fun Halloween!



Gackle-Streeter Public School