

# THE BRAVES' BULLETIN

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## Learning and Growing

February marks a busy time in our school year and a time when we see so much growth in our students' learning. Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd graders recently took part in our literacy night with visitors Ryan Milling, author, and Heather McCue from the Richland County Library.

Friday, January 31 was our annual Book Character Parade. Students flexed their creativity muscles and came to school dressed as a favorite book character and shared the texts from which they came. This event is celebrated by all our grade levels K-5th grade.

Monday, February 3 was the 100th day of school. Students celebrated with all things 100 and reinforced math concepts along the way.



## From the desk of...

### Principal Scandrol

I cannot believe that we are already through half of the school year. Time flies when you are having fun, and we sure have been having fun this year. A huge congratulations goes out to our Fitness Bowl Team. They finished in 2nd Place only 1.25 points behind the winner. Ten of our Fitness Bowl team members were selected for the "All District" Team, and 5th grader Korenz Atkins was named Richland One "Mr. Fitness." Also thank you to all of our coaches that gave of their time to prepare our students for the event. Our Honor Choir opened the bowl with the singing of the National Anthem. A job well done to Mr. Day and the Honor



Choir. We are into one of the most important times of the school year. This stretch from mid-January to Spring Break in April is critical to the development and achievement of our students. Many new concepts will be taught and new ideas will be formed. Like you, I am looking forward to watching our students grow and achieve during this time. This has been a great year, and I am eagerly anticipating this greatness to continue. Thanks for all that you do and continue to do for our students and school.



### *We've got spirit!*

*This year's tie dye short-sleeve tees are available online on the Satchel Ford PTO website: [sfpto.org](http://sfpto.org).*

*You can receive one free headband with online purchase, and your order will be delivered to your student's homeroom teacher.*



Calling all dads and father-figures! Come be a hero for the day! Join us at Satchel Ford for one day that fits your schedule this school year to serve as a positive male role model for students and provide an extra set of eyes and ears to enhance school security and reduce bullying. If you are interested, email [SFordWatchDogs@gmail.com](mailto:SFordWatchDogs@gmail.com). For more information on the national program, visit [dadsofgreatstudents.com](http://dadsofgreatstudents.com).



# COMING SOON:

Feb. 14	Brave Arts Valentine Lunch
Feb. 18	1st Grade Performance, 6:30 pm
Feb. 20	Spirit Day/Box Tops
Feb. 21	Daddy-Daughter Dance
Feb. 25	Boosterthon Pep Rally & Marco's Night
Feb. 27	Black History Month Celebration
Feb. 28	Student Holiday
Mar. 6	Boosterthon Fun Run
Mar. 10	PTO Board meeting, 1:00 pm



## Save the date!

March 6th (K-4th)

March 27th (5th)

Hello Satchel Ford Parents! It's time for the PTO's biggest fundraiser of the year, Boosterthon. Last year Satchel Ford profited over \$40,000, thanks to all of your hard work and dedication to our school! Last year's profit was used to purchase new playground equipment. The teachers and students are super excited for Boosterthon to get underway again. The theme this year is Wild West Mind Spark, a western time-traveling mystery theme that combines S.T.E.A.M. Skills (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math) with character building. So mark you calendars and support Satchel Ford's biggest fundraiser. We couldn't be the amazing school that we are without our awesome families, students, teachers, and administration. All of your support is greatly appreciated!!

## Spotlight on: 2nd Grade Writing

One day not so long ago, I was at Hiwire at the ninja course. I was about to go on it and I got on and jumped and swung. I got on the table and I almost fell. Then I was on the monkey bars and I fell. I was bleeding on my knee. It really hurt and I screamed and my mom came and she got the blood off. I got a band aid and I felt much better and I was glad for that. - Maddie R.



The author and her student teacher, Ms. Benfield.

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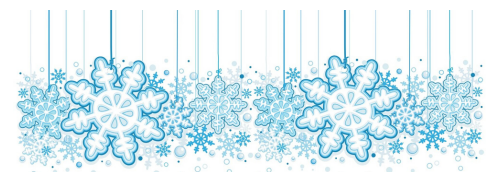
## News from Brave Arts

**Feb. 14:** Valentine's Day faculty & staff luncheon - The luncheon is an opportunity for students to show their teachers their appreciation and also to help support the Brave Arts program. More information regarding the lunch will be sent home with students.

**Feb. 21:** Winter Wonderland Daddy-Daughter Dance! Grandfathers, uncles, brothers, or moms are welcome. Just bring your special friend, and we have a magical evening in store! New this year, the dance will be split into two time frames based on grade levels. From 6:00-7:30 is Kindergarten - 2nd Grade and from 7:30-9:00 is 3rd grade -5th grade. (These times frames are only a recommendation, please do what is best for your family. If you have a child in both time frames, we recommend picking the time frame that works best for your family and arriving then. No child will be turned away from the door if they come at a later or earlier time.)

**April 25:** Satchel Ford's first ever Mother-Son Fireflies game night

This event will be held in lieu of the Sports Spectacular this year and is being coordinated by the Brave Arts Boosters. All boys and their mothers or special adult/chaperones are encouraged to order tickets to this event. More details will be sent home with students in late March.



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Winter Wonderland  
Daddy Daughter Dance  
February 21, 2020



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2/14: Valentine lunch  
2/18: 1st grade performance  
2/27: Black History Month celebration  
3/17: 3rd grade performance  
4/7: Kindergarten performance  
5/19: Spring Concert