



# NOVEMBER NEWS

## 2023

Thank you for attending Parent Teacher Conferences and working with our staff to offer the best educational experience possible. We appreciated the organized meals by our PTC and enjoyed the desserts that families brought in.

Our students have been working toward listening to directions the first time and earned the reward of playing BINGO. Our PBIS Team will announce our November behavior goal at our Tiger Team Meeting on November 3rd. We all need to work together to stay focused, motivated and ready to learn.

As the weather continues to get colder, please make sure your child is prepared with winter clothing- hat, boots, gloves, snow pants, and a jacket are needed during recess. Remember to pack their shoes as they begin wearing boots to school. We want to keep our classrooms clean and healthy, so we encourage students not to wear outside boots throughout the school day.

Attendance continues to be a priority at Downsville Elementary. Please remember to call our main office if your child is not feeling well or will miss school due to an appointment. Notes are always appreciated when your child comes back from an appointment or extended absence from school. Letters will be sent at the end of the month for any students we are concerned about.

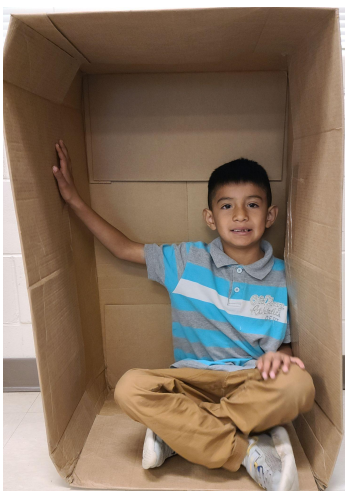
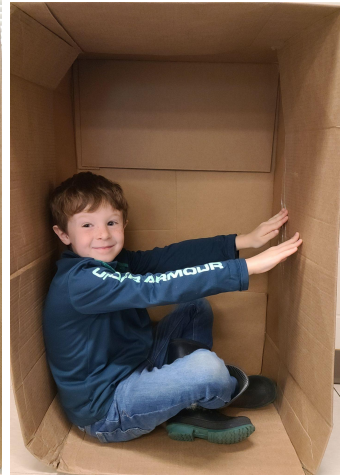
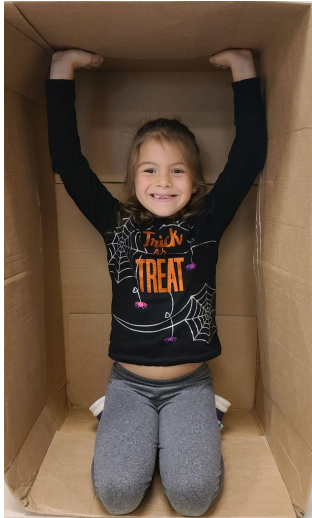
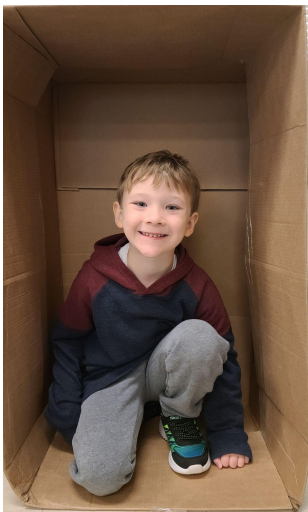
Mark your calendars for *Thursday, November 9th*, our school will be recognizing Veterans Day. All our students have been working on their songs and speeches to make this program a special experience for our veterans and families.



***Important Dates:***

- November 3**     **Student Council Meeting**  
   **8:15 in Library**
- November 9**     **Veterans Day Program**  
   **10:30 a.m. - Gym**
- November 17**    **End of First Trimester**
- November 17**    **Student Council Meeting**  
   **8:15 in Library**
- November 20 - 24 - NO SCHOOL**
- November 29**    **Bridging Brighter Smiles Dental Clinic**
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- December 1**     **Report Cards Go Home**
- December 1**     **Student Council Meeting**  
   **8:15 in Library**
- December 11**    **DOWNSVILLE SCHOOL**  
   **“WINTER CONCERT” @**  
   **River Heights Elementary Gym**  
   **5:30 p.m. - Kindergarten - 1st Grade**  
   **6:30 p.m. - 2nd - 5th Grade**
- December 15**    **Student Council Meeting**  
   **8:15 in Library**
- December 18**    **PTC “Cookie Decorating Event”**  
   **5:30 - 7:00 - Downsville Gym**
- December 21**    **Winter “Book Give-Away”**  
   **Special Visitor**
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- December 22 - January 2nd - NO SCHOOL/Winter Break**  
**January 3- School Resumes!**

# Individually Unique, Together Complete



Mrs. Gully's Class 2023-24

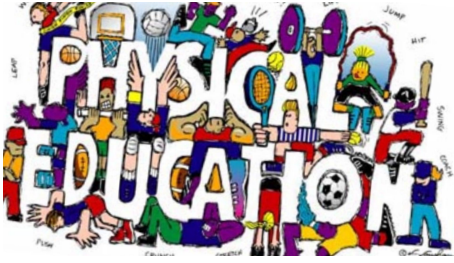
## Third Grade!

We were fortunate enough to have a special guest join us for story telling! Kris Winter is a part of AIM (Arts Integration Menomonic) and she came in to tell a spooky story to Second and Third Graders! She even had the teachers involved in her story. Students enjoyed being engaged in her spook-tacular story!



## 5th and 1st Grade Buddies!!





## Mrs. Blomquist's Sideline Report for PE:

Students finished their throwing and catching unit in October. We used many different types of balls and targets, as well as games to practice these skills.

When throwing overhand (which was the 2nd-5th grade focus) we used the cues:  
Side to your target, step, twist, throw

When throwing underhand (our Kindergarten and first grade focus) we used the cues:  
Swing, step, throw.



Kindergarten students practice throwing at a target while practicing letter sounds and names.



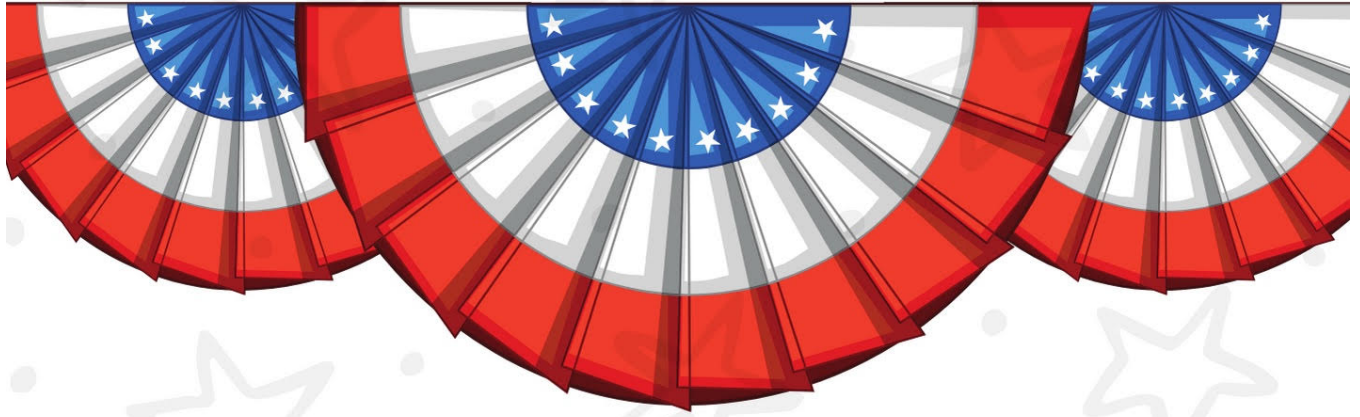
Looking for a family fun activity? Try making this healthy snack, which is perfect for after school!

All you need is:

- apples (red and green)
- carrot
- whole wheat toast
- peanut butter
- candy eyes



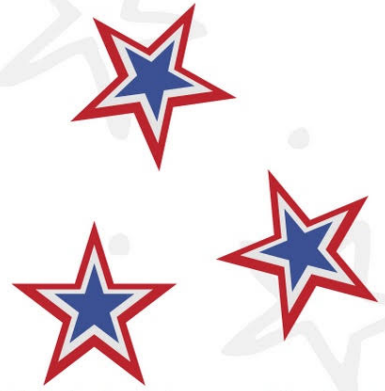
Jamie Blomquist  
Physical Education Teacher  
Knapp & Downsville Elementary



Downsville Elementary Dress Up Day!

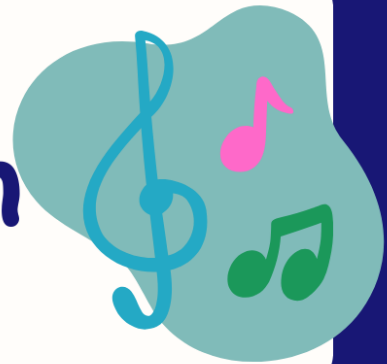
**U.S.A.**  
**Thursday,**  
**November 9th**

Wear red, white, and blue in honor of our Veterans.





# Music Classroom News



## Upcoming Winter Concerts



Tuesday December 19th

K-1 perform at 5:30pm

2-5 perform at 6:30pm

*More information coming soon!*



## Veterans Day Program



Thursday November 9th at 10:30am  
Downsville Elementary Gym.

Downsville students have been working hard to express our gratitude to our veterans. We hope to see you there!



## Name Change

Ms. Groskreutz is now Mrs. McMahon! However, her district email is still [amy\\_groskreutz@msd.k12.wi.us](mailto:amy_groskreutz@msd.k12.wi.us) if you have any questions about upcoming events!





# Art News!

The Menomonie Art Department is holding their bi-annual fundraiser at Culver's on November 7th from 4pm - 7pm. The proceeds will go toward Art Supplies used during your child's Art time! Please plan to bring your family for dinner and support MSD's Art Department!



Thank you,  
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**Please access the November Library newsletter online:**

<https://www.smores.com/kwxdr>

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# Downsville Elementary

*Oh Deer, Our November  
Dress Up Day is Here!*

DIG OUT YOUR BRIGHT  
ORANGE "HUNTING" CLOTHING!

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH



event planned  
by the DN  
student council



Save  
THE  
Date

JOIN US FOR A

**HOLIDAY  
COOKIES  
AND  
CRAFT NIGHT**



**18**

**DECEMBER**

5:30-7:00

· DOWNSVILLE ·

· SCHOOL ·

LIGHT SNACK PROVIDED




EVENT  
ORGANIZED BY  
PTC AND  
STUDENT  
COUNCIL





# Downsville School is having a special visitor who will...

- encourage reading for fun
  - motivate reluctant and struggling readers
  - support classroom learning
  - improve writing confidence
  - inspire students
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## It is an author:

# KEVIN

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## Monday, December 18th



Event Sponsored By: The Downsville Sportsman Club & the Downsville School PTC

Downsville Elementary announces a...

# WINTER

*Festival*

Stay tuned for more information coming in  
December!

We are changing up the original Fall Festival to a  
Winter Festival this school year. It is tentatively being  
planned for the end of January 2024.

