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Dedication Ceremony

Angie Evans 4th

On December 7, at the new Middle School there was a dedication ceremony. At the ceremony Mr. Howard, Ms. Carruth, Frazier Clark, the architect and the contractor gave speeches. Mr. Clark accepted the building.

After that Mr. Howard joined him for the ribbon cutting. Then Ms. Carruth talked about the time capsule. She said the fourth grade will bury a time capsule, and when we become seniors we will open it. After that we all went out to release balloons. They looked beautiful.

U.I.L. Results!

Ian Stark

Here are the U.I.L. results! The contest was in Coleman this year, but it might be in Comanche Middle School next year. We do have a new school after all. The winners for 4th grade are: for Art 1st place Carly Mazurek and for number sense 2nd place Corie Tunnel. The winners in 5th grade are: for Art a tie for 1st Hayden Taylor and John Whiteside, for Listening 2nd place John Whiteside and 3rd place Rachel Lilley, for Number Sense 4th place Ryan Senger, for Oral Reading 2nd place Breck Driskill, for Ready

Writing 6th place Jazzy Matlock, for Spelling 2nd place Ian Stark 5th place Jacey Biggs. The 6th grade results are: Mathematics 3rd place Kailee Pickett, for Dictionary Skills 2nd place Madison Hagood 3rd place Daniel Volleyman and Jeff Koster, for Maps, Graphs, and Charts 2nd place Kailee Pickett, for Art 2nd place Kailee Pickett, for Calculators 6th place Kendra Gilliam, for Oral Reading 4th place Brenna Warren, for Spelling 4th place Liberty Leonard 6th place Michael Foix, for Music Memory 6th place Sandra Schwartz. Well, that is the U.I.L. results this year. Comanche did very well.

Sixth Grade Performs

John Whiteside 5th

The Sixth grade performed two plays recently, "Happy Christmas" on December 11 at 7:00 p.m. at the High School and They also did another play at the Elementary and it was Called "Escape to the North Pole" at the Elementary at 2:00 p.m. on December 11. They're teacher is Mrs. Hancock. She had two classes with a total around 35 kids in the plays!

A Charlie Brown Christmas!

Caroline Wilkerson 5th

C.H.S Drama Club and Sophomore class presents "A Charlie Brown Christmas." "It's Christmastime Again, Charlie Brown" Dinner Theater December 18, 6:30 pm High School Commons Tickets 15.00 per person Contact the high school office or Teresa Cope Please Come!

The Gold Warriors

Pre K-3 news

Jazzy Matlock 5th

We have decided that because of the move, we will not be able to keep in touch with our good friends in pre K-third grade so they will have their own section in the *Black and Gold Times*. Introducing *The Gold Warriors* on pages 8 and 9. The third grade columnists will be writing articles and taking pictures. Be sure to check it out!!!!

The 3rd graders feelings

Rachel Lilley 5th

The fourth, fifth and sixth graders moved but, what about the third, second, first Kindergarten and Pre-K, we basically just left them! Well I got the inside scoop on how my mom and the other teachers feel on the **BIG** move. Well I sent mom an e-mail an here is what mom said, that the third graders enjoy the new rooms because they are soooooo much bigger and nicer than the other rooms. She said it may be quite and lonely but there are more parking spaces there are. They also are excited about the fact that they are the "top dogs" and get seconds now. They all wish we could be together but for now this is all right!!!

Santa's Helper's

Alex Sanchez 5th

Share the Christmas joy with the less fortunate! If you care and you should care about Santa's helpers, donate an item. I interviewed Mrs. Dudley about Santa's Helper's. She told me, "the items go to the needy." You may donate these items: toys, clothes, coats, and food. Santa's Helper's has been going on 26 years in Comanche. Santa's Helper's will come and pick the items up on December 20. Thanks for all your donations!

A Fourth Grade Opinion

Payton Nance 5th

Mrs. Taylor felt that we were very fortunate about the move and she is looking forward to the year. But the new school schedule will be hard to get use to after a while it will get better. She loves the new school because there is more space, more storage and the new technology. She likes the new school better because the air conditioner does not sound like a freight train. She said the hardest thing about the move was leaving fellow workers. The best about the move she said was it was prettier and more space. The kids feel proud and are very lucky said, Mrs. Taylor. But the worst thing is the lunch line, she said. Hopefully it will get better.

Fifth grade Move

Jacey Biggs 5th

I interviewed my fifth grade homeroom teacher Mrs. Cobb to get her opinion about moving to the new school. She thought it was pretty difficult and took a lot of hard work, and there was lots and lots to move. "The new technology in every room is nice," she says, "but having to organize everything again is hard." She also misses teachers at the elementary since the fifth grade has always been at that school until now. She liked the old school because everyone was together, but likes the new school because there are many surprises and advantages in the future. She also loves her room because of the computer tables and the wonderful storage space. She notices the better behavior in all the kids, too. She thinks this school is very wonderful and beautiful.



Ms. Carruth, Our New Principal

Hayden Taylor 5th

"I like it a lot." Ms. Carruth said after I asked her "What's it like being the principle of a new school?" She said the most fun thing was.... all of it!!! But she said the hardest thing was "making sure the building is clean and ready for students." She loved it that everyone helped in the moving. She loves all the building but her favorite things are the library, science labs, adequate office space, modern lunchroom and stage, and a soon to be finished gym. And her goal for this year was to have students engaged successfully and stretch to their maximum ability.

The Move

Kendyl Estrada 5th

On December 1, the fourth, fifth and sixth grade had there first day of school in the new building. The 5th grade took a tour of it the Thursday before. It was HUGE!! Way bigger than the old school. The cafeteria and the gym are 2 times bigger than the old ones. The classrooms are bigger, too. There is carpet in almost every room and new desks in the science room. We were so excited when we first came. If you came to open house you could have seen all of this. So come see it sometime!!