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Lights! Camera! Book Fair!

Jazzy Matlock 5th

The book fair was last month!!! If you missed it, build a time machine and go to the dates of February 2-6. You would be crazy not to. It was huge! They had everything from books to posters and school items such as pencils,

erasers, and bookmarks. The top sellers were: *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*, *Breathe a Ghost Story*, posters, and many more! It was open from 7:30 a.m.- 8:00 a.m. in the morning, and 3:30 p.m. -4:00 p.m. in the afternoon. I loved all of the skits we heard in the morning and afternoon.

I hope you all had an awesome time at the book fair!!!!

Let It Snow!

Kendyl Estrada 5th

You wake up in the morning, and you look out the window. Snow! It's all over the ground. On January 28, we came to school at 10:00 a.m. because of the ice, sleet, and snow that was on the roads of Comanche.

On the way to school, there was a truck slipping on the ice that was in the Comanche Middle School drive at the ramp to the drop off area. Many others and I had to get out of our cars and walk across the grass to the front doors. It wasn't pretty! There was traffic everywhere. We also got out at 12:20 p.m. on Tuesday January 25! The earliest we have ever gotten out of school this year. There was supposed to be a big storm on January 29, but it didn't happen. I hope we have more snow soon so I can make a snowman.

360 minutes for Six Flags

Alex Sanchez 5th

Remember the Six Flags reading that was due a while back? Well, for the people that did do it, you got a Six Flags ticket and a 100 in the grade book. For the people that didn't finish, you didn't get a ticket and got a 0 in the grade book. You had to read 360 minutes or 6 hours. Although it seems a long time to read, it's worth it once you're at Six Flags riding the Superman or some other cool ride. For the people that didn't get it done, you could've read a newspaper, the back of a cereal box, and of course, a book. So if we do Six Flags reading next year, I hope you try hard and get that ticket!

Sixth Grade Band

Angie Evans 4th

Have you ever wondered about being in the sixth grade band? There are two bands that you have the opportunity to join. One is the percussion and woodwind. The second one is the brass section.

At the beginning of the year, you could spend three weeks finding an instrument. I interviewed Mrs. Reedy. She said, "When selecting a band instrument, first the Band Directors demonstrate and talk about all of the instruments available to the sixth graders. Then we talk about how many of one type of instrument we would need depending on the size of the band because we don't need to have ten saxophones and only two flutes."

The Band Directors talk to the kids and ask about their interests in instruments. Then they check to see if any thing would prevent them from playing the instrument. So if you plan to join the band, I'd get used to it.

PTO Fund raising

John Whiteside 5th

Did you go in the lunchroom on February 11 at 8:00? Well, if you didn't, you missed A LOT! It was about PTO fund raising. I hope you did this program for new playground equipment, awesome prizes, and, the best, is it helps our school get money!

If you raise \$200 dollars, or sell fourteen boxes, you will get to go in a limo to lunch! Not a Lincoln limo a HUMMER LIMO! You will feel like a star! You are getting a heck of a deal. All you had to do is sell 14 boxes! I hope you made it!!



New coach

Jacey Biggs 5th

We have a new student coach at our school. His name is Weston Hooker. He graduated from Manor High School and is attending Tarleton State University. He will be helping at Comanche Middle

Hoops for heart!

Corie Tunnell 4th

This month we are starting "Hoops for Heart." The money we get goes to the American Heart Association. For one week we play different games and have shooting contests and win ribbons. If you get the paper signed, you get your envelope and start raising money. The more you raise, the more prizes you get-like a basketball and a T-shirt and much more. If you raise more than one hundred-fifty dollars, your name is put into a drawing for you and three other people to go to Disney world. The top ten kids from fourth and fifth grade get to go to the movies in Stephenville with Mrs. Bill and Mrs. Ferrell and maybe Coach Hooker. And lastly, if you get in the top three, you get a trophy. Last year's winners were Madison Gore-first, Ty McCullough-second, and Audrey Montgomery-third. So we encourage you to raise money.

School and Elementary School with Mrs. Ferrel and Mrs. Bill. He will finish the semester at the high school assisting Coach Speer with PE classes and basketball. Then he will be certified to coach at all levels. We think he is a good coach!

Bluebonnets

Corie Tunnell 4th

Over the past few years Comanche Elementary School has been reading the Bluebonnet books. Even though the fourth, fifth, and sixth grades moved to the Middle school, we still read the Bluebonnet books.

The winners for Comanche Middle School are: fourth grade-Libby Latham, fifth grade-Kristin Rogers, and sixth grade-Madison Hagood.

The book that got first in Comanche Middle School is *One Potato, Two Potatoes* and the book that got second is *Lawn Boy*.

The state winning books are: first place-*One Potato, Two Potatoes*, and second-*How To Steal a Dog*, and third-*The Inventions of Hugo Cabret*.

Congratulations to the Bluebonnet reader winners. Good job to all of those Bluebonnet readers and good luck for next year!