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# Mounties Make a Difference

Albert Einstein once said, "It is every man's obligation to put back into the world at least the equivalent of what he takes out of it. The value of a man resides in what he gives and not in what he is capable of receiving." This need for giving is what the "Mounties Make a Difference" campaign was all about. Our goal was to raise money to help all the people that were devastated by the recent flooding in Lycoming County and to teach the students to give back to their local community.

I cannot say enough great things about our faculty and students here at Rommelt. They are such a compassionate and giving group. Our *Mounties Make a Difference* campaign raised \$1,275.00 and two car loads of cleaning supplies. What a great effort!

The Rommelt Middle School students and staff held eight days of fundraising activities to raise money for the North Central Pennsylvania Red Cross to help the many flood victims of Lycoming County. The activities we had cost the students one dollar to participate in each day. The activities included:

<b>Rommelt Teachers</b>	Wednesday, Sept. 14	Hat Day – wear your favorite hat during school	
	Thursday, Sept. 15	Thirsty Thursday – bring your favorite drink	
Mr. Brown Ms. Cooke Mrs. Cruz	Friday, Sept. 16	to class <b>Fun Football Friday</b> – wear your favorite football jersey and buy an ice cream at lunch and \$1 was donated to our flood relief fund	
Mrs. Cruz Ms. Driscoll Mrs. Ehrgood	Monday, Sept. 19	<b>Mix-it up Monday</b> – sit anywhere you want at lunch	
Mrs. Flerlage Mr. Hill	Tuesday, Sept. 20 Wednesday, Sept. 21	<b>Trident Tuesday</b> – chew gum in school <b>Wacky Wednesday</b> – dress wild and wacky	
Mrs. Ogden Mr. Pearson	Thursday, Sept. 22	today <b>Pajama Thursday</b> – wear your pajamas to school	
Mrs. Puller Mrs. Sahm	Friday, Sept. 23	<b>Movie Friday</b> – an afternoon of movie and snacks	
Mrs. Zielewicz			

A special thank you goes out to the PTO for donating the drinks and snacks for the students for movie day on Friday. The students were very appreciative of the snacks. I would also like to thank the parents for their generosity of donating many mops, brooms, Clorox, and paper towels. All the supplies were donated to the Red Cross for distribution.

This simple fundraising activity shows just how well a small building like Rommelt can "Make a Difference" when everyone works together. Winston Churchill once said, "We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give."



# **Mounties Make a Difference**



## FIFTH GRADE NEWS

### STRIVING SOUTH AWARD WINNERS

Striving to reach your goals requires classroom attendance, leadership qualities, rising to the challenges that are given in a classroom setting, and school participation. The fifth grade staff would like to honor students that are striving for excellence by giving them the SOUTH Award for the month of October.

Congratulations to Ava Clark, Lexie Yerger, Tayge Molino, and Jovanna Fagnano.

Rommelt Middle School is proud of all of your efforts and hope you continue to be a successful role model to the other fifth grade students!



Tayge Molino, Jovanna Fagnano, Lexie Yerger, and Ava Clark

#### Need Help with Everyday

Mrs. Zielewicz 5th Grade Learning Support

Over the last few years I have heard many complaints about the Student Reference Book (SRB) for Everyday Mathematics. Parents often find that topics and explanations within the reference book can be hard to locate and difficult to understand. As a result of that I have created a Parent Reference Book for 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Math Terms and Operations that is tailored specifically to our fifth grade math curriculum. This reference book explains the topics that we cover and provides examples of how to solve the problems. If you would like to have a copy of the Parent Reference Book please email me at AZielewicz@swasd.org or send a note in with your child.

## SIXTH GRADE NEWS

## S.O.U.T.H.

### "M-azing Mounties of the Month"

An "M-azing Mountie" serves as an exceptional role model for the school. It is a student who <u>strives</u> to do his/her best and serves as a leader and role model for peers and younger students. "M-azing Mounties" are <u>organized</u> and prepared for class each day with completed work and a positive attitude to learn. Students who earn this recognition <u>understand</u> and support others. They listen and share ideas and offer praise for a job well done. Respect is earned when students work as a <u>team</u> at Rommelt and encourage classmates to do their best.

It is an <u>honor</u> for the  $6^{th}$  grade team to present the following students with this special award.

### <u>September</u>

Danny Barker Antonio Blackson Isabelle Blosser Ally Smith



Ally Smith



Isabelle Blosser



Antonio Blackson



Danny Barker





The students of Rommelt were presented with two reading opportunities this summer. The first opportunity was to read 600 minutes and log their reading in twenty minute intervals. The second was to join one of Rommelt's seven summer book clubs. These opportunities were presented to the students and they rose to the occasion!

Congratulations to the following students for having met their 600 minute reading goal this summer. They will receive a reading certificate and reward to show our appreciation to their dedication in beating the dreaded "summer slide."

Lexi Yerger	Austin Ulsamer	Jaela House	Katelyn Hazel
Sophia Bragalone	Chloe Dodge	Curtis Anthony	Brianna Lair
Jason Sprinkle	Sarah Bastian	Derek Tomkins	Jake Lusk
Ava Clark	Kylee Taylor	Sarah Persun	Parker Monoski
Ashley Larson	Anna Nevill	Anna Plotnikova	Christi Bennardi
Chevy Bolay	Josalyn Bradley	Dawson Owen	Justin Stetts
Courtney Patrick	Jenny Bowman	Sarah Pulver	McGwire Molino
Kallie Engler Amiya Harris	Ian Dunlap	Jared Wheeler	Tayge Molino

We are happy to report that the first ever Rommelt Summer Reading Book-Clubs were a success! Many thanks go out to Mrs. Flerlage, Mrs. Puller, Mr. Pearson, and Mrs. Zielewicz who took the time to create reading schedules, prepare book discussions/ parties, and meet with students on their summer reads. It was exciting to see the student dedication and interest in their chosen books! Check out the list of book club participants below. Well done Rommelt readers!

Michelle Hunter Kylee Taylor Christian McBride Paige Lentz Sophia Mussare Rhiannon Newcomer **Derek Tompkins** Abbie Welty Hunter Crawley Alex Snyder Hanna Hennigan Nate Lyons Brooke Andy Ben Garman Aaron Orgitano Sarah Pulver

Amiya Harris Courtney Patrick Christi Bennardi Ally Smith Alyssa Day Kiara McDaniels Brenton Pfleegor Ashley Larson Cyle Hiller McGwire Molino Reilly Barnes Chad Banzhof Rachel Blass Raven Shellman







# CALENDAR OF EVENTS OCTOBER

- 6 PTO Meeting /7:00 pm @ Central
- 7 Mid-Marking Reports sent home
- **10 NO SCHOOL**
- **14 FIRE PREVENTION ACTIVITIES**
- 22 Mummer's Parade
- **28 BOX TOP COLLECTION**
- **31 HALLOWEEN**

<u>UPCOMING EVENTS:</u>



November 11thFall FestivalNovember 21 & 22Parent ConferencesNovember 23—28Thanksgiving Break