



# PARIS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2018

## *Where's Parry?*

Parry was not hidden during the literacy unit. He will go back into hiding in April. Be sure to be on the lookout for Parry's next hiding spot.



## Class of the Month Spotlight

### 7th Grade

Seventh grade just finished learning about Africa in our school-wide literacy unit. Students read about the "Lost Boys" of Sudan in the book *A Long Walk to Water*, and explored African proverbs and folktales. In math class, students will be working with Geometry and learning more about volume and surface area of three-dimensional figures. The class will end the year learning about genetics, DNA, and cells in Science.

## *Counselor Connection*

April will be a fun month for Guidance. We will be talking about Earth Day and volunteering. We will also discuss self-esteem. Students in 7th and 8th grade will be finishing up with Career Cruising, and 8th grade will be working on researching a college for their "College Fair".

Ms. Thomas  
School Counselor

## DO YOU KNOW THIS STAFF PERSON?

1. I grew up on a farm in Paris.
2. I have two dogs, two rabbits, and a goldfish.
3. I recently became a grandparent.
4. I love to play volleyball and basketball.
5. I am related to another staff member at Paris School.



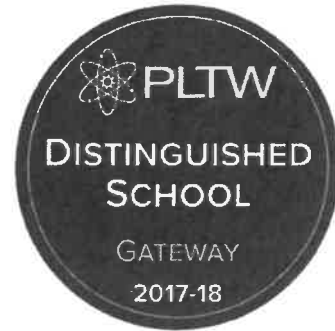
Answer: Mrs. Jones  
Classroom Aide



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Roger Gahart District Administrator



Dear Paris Families,

It is my honor to announce that Paris School was recently recognized as a Project Lead The Way (PLTW) Distinguished School for providing in-depth learning opportunities for students through PLTW Gateway™ curriculum. It is one of just 110 middle schools across the U.S. to receive this honor. PLTW is a nonprofit organization that serves students in over 10,500 schools across the country.

The PLTW Distinguished School recognition honors schools committed to increasing student access, engagement, and achievement in their PLTW programs. To be eligible for the designation, Paris had to meet the following criteria:

- Offer at least one PLTW Gateway unit at each grade level;
- More than 50% of jr. high students participated during the 2016-17 school year;
- At least 25 % of students advancing to high school participate in two or more units.

Numerous staff members, including Mrs. Margie Blair, Mrs. Brittany Nelson, Mrs. Tiffany Erbentraut, & Mrs. Christy Hoff have received extensive training in the understanding of and ability to properly instruct this curriculum. Units currently offered to junior high students include:


- Design & Modeling
- Automation & Robotics
- Flight & Space
- Medical Detectives

Through PLTW programs, students develop STEM knowledge as well as in-demand, transportable skills that they will use both in school and their future careers. PLTW Gateway empowers students to lead their own discovery and uncover a range of paths and possibilities they can look forward to in high school and beyond. Additional training & implementation is scheduled to include Kindergarten through Fifth grade students & teachers in the PLTW *Launch* curriculum, which empowers students and develops hands-on problem solving skills at an early age.

We are proud of the hard work and dedication staff & students have put forth to earn such a prestigious award.

Sincerely,

Roger Gahart  
District Administrator



# HOOOPS & HOOPLA

8th grade graduation fundraiser & family fun night!

★ **FRIDAY, APRIL 13, 2018** ★

**DINNER: 5:30 P.M. • KIDS' GAMES: 6:15 P.M.-3RD QUARTER • TIP-OFF: 6:30 P.M.**



**\*Hula hoop contest and K-5 games**

Practices will be held for K-5 students in gym class. Finalists will participate in the fun on event night!



**\*Plan to eat dinner at school on event night!**

Enjoy tasty meal options including Mr. Weidner's Panther Prowl chili, hot dogs, chili dogs, nachos, beverages, and bake sale goodies! Dinner service will begin at 5:30 p.m. in the cafeteria.



**\*6:30 p.m. game time: 8th grade boys vs. Dads & Mom cheerleaders!**

Take a seat for center court action as our 8th grade boys take on their Dads in an action-packed basketball game. Watch Paris cheerleaders and 8th grade moms pump up the crowd with fun cheers and entertaining halftime performances!



**\*50/50 raffles**  
**\*Bake sale**  
**\*Spirit items**  
**\*Concessions**

Get bake sale goodies, spirit items, and sweet treats on event night--and enter our two 50/50 raffles to win cash! Drawings at halftime and at game end.



**PLUS: \*6th & 7th grade 3rd quarter fun!**



**ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT PARIS SCHOOL'S CLASS OF 2018!**



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## SPRING DANCE

Friday, April 20th  
6:00-7:30p (K-4<sup>th</sup> grades)  
8:00-10:00p (5-8<sup>th</sup> grades)

Our annual Spring Dance is a great time to get involved! Volunteers are needed to organize, supervise, & chaperone this fun evening.

Contact **Becky** at [rebeckakeel08@yahoo.com](mailto:rebeckakeel08@yahoo.com) to help!

## TEACHER & STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK

May 7-11, 2018

Watch for information about celebrating our amazing Paris School teachers & staff this week!

## FIELD DAY

Grades 5-8: May 24<sup>th</sup>  
Grades K-4: June 4<sup>th</sup>

Stay tuned for requests for parent volunteers for these fun-filled days!

## KINGFISH GAME!

Thursday, May 31<sup>st</sup> @ 6:35 p.m.

Mark your calendar to join Paris School friends & families for an exciting evening at the ballpark!

## FAIR ART DISPLAY

August 2018

Help ensure the safe return of student artwork after the Kenosha County Fair. Volunteers are needed to take down our Education Building art display & to monitor the display during Fair week.

Pease contact **Beth** at [labell5@yahoo.com](mailto:labell5@yahoo.com) to help!



OUR 63<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL Spaghetti Supper Fundraising Event on March 10<sup>th</sup> was an outstanding success thanks to dedication, donations, and desserts from generous Paris School families and local sponsors and contributors.

In addition to sincere appreciation of the 100 parent and student volunteers who provided an amazing experience for more than 1,020 Spaghetti Supper guests this year, we also thank our generous sponsors whose support helps make our event an annual success!

### GENEROUS EVENT SPONSORS

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AMAZING PARIS SCHOOL FAMILIES

HARDWORKING PARIS SCHOOL STUDENTS

DEDICATED PSO VOLUNTEERS

OUR CARING COMMUNITY...

THANK  YOU! FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

## Literacy Unit: Africa



YOUR SUPPORT OF PSO fundraising brings amazing educational experiences to our students during Paris School's annual Literacy Unit. This year, PSO sponsored an all-school, interactive African drumming and dancing assembly. In addition, K-2 students were captivated by an African storyteller, 3-5 grade students took a field trip to study mummies, and middle schoolers enjoyed an informative African learning and Q&A session.



# Literacy Corner

April 2018



The Africa Exploration Unit and the culmination assembly were a huge success. It was so wonderful to see all that the children have learned and enjoy a day of celebrating such an inspiring culture. We want to give a special thanks to our guest speaker Alpha Seisay for sharing his knowledge and enthusiasm about Sierra Leone. We also want to thank the entire Seisay family for performing the energetic and inspirational drum music. It was a perfect ending to an engaging cultural experience.



We would also like to thank the **PSO** for all of their support with purchasing literature and supplies, specials assemblies, and field trips that made this unit such a success. You make units like this possible!

**Reminder:** Paris Penny War will end this **Friday**. All proceeds will go to **Charity Water** whose goal is to bring safe drinking water to the people in Africa!

## Young Authors' Stories are Complete!



The books of students in grades k-3 are in Milwaukee for judging in the *GO KIDS GO! MPTV Writing Competition*. The books turned out amazing! It was inspiring to see all the creative stories and illustrations come to life. We are waiting for the copies to be returned from the printer and then we will be sending copies home when we have the originals back at school.

We are so proud of our writers and so grateful to our staff and parents for helping making the process successful. Soon we will begin preparations for our *Writer's Club Celebration* featuring all of our young authors and books! Look for details to follow! Thank you again to the staff and family members for making this program so successful.

Ms. Blair and Mrs. Van Tine

Coming Soon.....

## 2018 Westosha Junior High Forensics Competition

At Bristol Grade School  
When: Monday, April 16th

Arrive around 6:45 P.M.  
Round 1 - 7:00-8:00 P.M.  
Round 2 - 8:00-9:00 P.M.





Dear Paris School Community:

If you are aware of a new family in the Paris School attendance area with a prospective kindergartener that will be enrolling at Paris School for the 2018-2019 school year, please ask them to call the school office as soon as possible. Kindergarten screening is coming up very soon, and we want to be able to include them in our mailing. We appreciate your assistance in this regard.

Mrs. Dorn  
School Secretary  
Phone: 262-859-2350

Southern Lakes  
Advanced Learners Network  
Presents

**"Parenting Today's Advanced Learners"**



with *Jackie Drummer*



Jackie Drummer has given educator, administrator, and parent workshops on gifted education in over 150 districts in the Midwest. She was also a featured speaker at the 2016 Supporting the Emotional Needs of Gifted (SENG) Conference in Williamsburg, VA. She speaks nationwide on the behalf of gifted children and is certified as an Instructional, Team and Organizational, Systems, and Transformational Coach.

Gifted and Talented Education Specialist; Education Works! CEO;  
Past President WI Association for Talented/Gifted; Educational consultant;  
musician and writer

**"Navigating the High C's of Giftedness: *Cognition, Creativity, Curiosity, Compassion, and Confidence*"** If you missed the Fall Workshop, you'll want to be sure to attend our Spring Workshop! Last Fall, Ms. Drummer told how schools find and serve gifted students. This program is packed full of ideas on how to develop the whole gifted child, including things that families can do to grow good gifted kids. Parents have remarked that this highly interactive workshop gives their brains a good workout!

Location:	Date:	Time:
Janesville Performing Arts Center Janesville, WI	Thursday April 12, 2018	6:00 p.m.
Kenosha County Building Bristol, WI	Thursday April 19, 2018	6:00 p.m.
Matheson Memorial Library Elkhorn, WI	Saturday April 21, 2018	9:00 a.m.

- »This program is a free, two-hour, adult-only workshop.
- »Unfortunately, no childcare will be provided.
- »Attendees may choose only one location/date.

To register, go to: <https://goo.gl/forms/sgBsPqOOGinIB64U2>