

## From the desk of Ron Swier, Counselor:

Sept. 28----Post high Planning Day and Career Fair in Mitchell 9:00 to 12:00 App. times--- Juniors and Seniors
Oct. 3----ASVAB Juniors--Starting at 8:45
Oct. 28--- ACT---Regular deadline is Sept. 22; Late registration is Oct. 6
Scholarships---Even though school is just starting, scholarships are starting to come in. I will be e-mailing or handing out hard copies of the applications to the seniors. Students can register for scholarships on different sites, but the best one probably is fastweb.com
The FAFSA (Financial Aid) sign-up this year has a major overhaul. We are planning as of now to have our financial aid night on Dec. 18. I highly encourage any senior parents and student to attend due to all of the changes. We will have a financial aid administrator from Mt. Marty doing the presentation. He can and will answer all of your questions.
The Free Application period for seniors to apply to colleges and Vo-techs was recently announced. The period runs from Oct. 1 to Nov. 30. This is the time that seniors can apply to many colleges and not charged an application fee.
If you as a parent have any questions, please feel free to call the school or visit me at the school.


C/S Athletic Boosters Donation
The Corsica/Stickney Athletic Boosters hosted a 5 K and a free will donation noon meal this summer during the Corsica Wing Ding Days. All proceeds from that day were donated to the new weight room at the C/S High School. The Athletic Boosters are shown presenting Superintendent, Mr. Scott Muckey with a donation check in the amount of $\$ 2,000$ at the Jaguars first football game.

Left to right: Booster club members-Abby Vanden Hoek, Tara Wentland, Cassie Gerlach, Jamie Prickett, Robyn Denning, Superintendent Scott Muckey, and Chad Clites.

## Homecoming Info

Homecoming activities are set for the week of Sept. 11-15 ${ }^{\text {th }}$. Please see the school's webpage for more info. ...and keep checking for updates as it approaches. ();


## Meet the new teachers

My name is Jaden Barse. I am a Corsica-Stickney high school alumni from the class of 2019. For the past four years, I attended Northern Stare University studying Elementary Education, and graduated in May of 2023. Becoming a teacher somewhere in the Corsica- Stickney School has been a dream of mine since starting college, and now it has become a reality. I will be teaching six grade Science, Social Studies, English, and Physical Education. I am very excited to watch some of the boys and girls that used to come to my school events become great young adults, and I hope that I can make an impact on them just as my past teachers made an impact on me. Overall, I very much look forward to what this school year will bring for experiences and learning opportunities!

Hello! My name is Callie Hohn, and I am from Ethan, SD. I attended Ethan High School graduating in 2019. I went on to college at Black Hills State University for the entirety of my first year before transferring to South Dakota State University. I spent the rest of my college experience at SDSU, and I earned my English education degree in 2023. This is my first year of teaching, and I am beyond excited to be working in the Corsica-Stickney School District!

My name is Miss Cassity Kerner, and I was born and raised on a ranch near Gregory, South Dakota. After graduating high school as a Gregory Gorilla, I attended the University of South Dakota, becoming a Coyote and earning degrees in English Education as well as endorsements in coaching. Following college, I taught at Wagner Community School, home of the Red Raiders, gaining experience with both middle and high school students. Now, I am beyond proud to be a Jaguar, teaching $7^{\text {th }}$ and $8^{\text {th }}$ grade reading and writing as well as coaching oral interpretation.

Hello, my name is Hannah Reimnitz. I was born and raised in Corsica, SD. After high school, I moved to Honduras and worked as a missionary focusing in bilingual education. In 2018, I moved back to Corsica with my husband and daughter. Since then, my family has grown to include two more girls. In the fall of 2019, I started working at Corsica-Stickney School District as a SPED and ELL paraprofessional. In 2021, I decided to go back to school to pursue my degree as a SPED teacher. This opened the door for me to step in and become the 6th$12^{\text {th }}$ SPED teacher this school year. I am looking forward to a great school year!

My name is Katie Strand and I teach $3^{\text {rd }}$ grade. This is my second year here at Corsica-Stickney. I have a degree in Elementary Education with Early Childhood along with Special Education. I have taught special education (4-12 graders), fifth grade, Begindergarten, and last year $6^{\text {th }}$ grade. I live in Mitchell with my husband Matt, our two sons, Tyler and Tate, and daughter Kendall. I'm super excited for this school year in third grade.

Hello! I am Kelly Selland, your school district's temporary fifth grade teacher. I am married to Brett and live near Storla, SD. I am originally from Miller and moved to Plankinton where I taught 6th-7th grade for many years before switching to 4th grade. I even had the privilege of teaching Mrs. Kemp my second year of teaching! She was a stellar sixth grade student! After having my daughters, Shelby and Myah, I went from full-time to substitute teaching. I've truly enjoyed learning from so many gifted teachers who have entrusted me with their students over the years.
I keep busy watching basketball, scrapbooking, reading, walking my dog Dug, and snuggling with my cats, Onyx and Tank. While I enjoy gardening, it is safe to say I am a work in progress in that endeavor!
I am enjoying working with the Corsica-Stickney fifth graders! They are enthusiastic, eager learners and just a sweet group of young people who represent your community well. I look forward to learning with them over the upcoming weeks!

## Title I Tidbits

## Welcome Back!



It is always so exciting to be back in school with the students. They come back with such excitement for the school year and we hope to build upon and sustain that excitement throughout the year!

We are a Title I school here at Corsica-Stickney Elementary. That means that we can work with any and all students in grades K-5 who may need a little extra help in Reading and Math. Students may be with us for a short time or may get extra help all year. We are here to help the students be successful in the areas of reading and math.

Mrs. Koch works primarily with students in grades K-2 and Miss Gillette works primarily with students in grades 3-5 and with the EL students. We may go into classrooms and work with students or pull out small groups to work with one on one.

We as teachers have set goals for this school year and the focus is on increased reading and writing proficiency at all grade levels. We have set a goal of $87 \%$ of our students be proficient in each of the four categories of ELA/Math on the South Dakota ELA/Math Assessments. We will also be focusing on Learning Outcomes. Teachers will communicate the focus or learning outcome for the lessons they teach with their students at the beginning of each lesson and review the outcome at the end to reinforce the lessons learning outcome each day. Students will then know the reason behind the lesson or activity they are completing. These learning outcomes are tied directly to the South Dakota State Standards. Hopefully through explicit teaching and identification of the learning outcomes an increase in student proficiency will be achieved in all areas.

We are making it a goal school wide to make reading more fun this year. Each month we will be doing different things in our classrooms and as a school to promote the joy of reading. We will be having a daily DEAR time (Drop Everything And Read). We started with 5 minutes and hope to increase the duration each month until we are reading for 20 minutes or longer at all grade levels.

We have built into our classrooms daily Math Talk or Math Meetings to work on counting, skip counting, number sense and basic addition, subtraction, and multiplication review. We will be focusing on Number sense, Measurement, and Data and Math Reasoning as specific areas that need improvement at all grade levels.

We encourage you to help us by encouraging your children to take 20-30 minutes each day to read either as a family, with a partner, or by themselves. Have discussions with your children about what they are reading and ask them to tell you what the story is about. If we work together both at home and school students will easily succeed at meeting our goals.

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Counting with your child by 2's, 3's, 4's. 5's, 10 's etc. is encouraged. Also having them practice addition, subtraction, or multiplication flashcards at home can also help.

Measurement facts can also be discussed at home. How many minutes in an hour? Hours in a day? Days in each month, months in a year? Inches in a foot? Feet in a yard? Yards in a mile? Ounces in a cup? Cups in a quart?, quarts in a gallon? Etc.

Here are some examples for questions you can ask your student before, during and after they read.

## Before Reading:

~ After looking at the title and headings, I think this book will be about...
~ I'm wondering if...
~The picture makes me think that...
~I already know some things about...
~What do you think this book is about?
~What are you wondering?
~Do you know anything about...

## During Reading:

~ This reminds me of...
~ I'm wondering about...
~ I'm picturing...
~ This makes me feel...
~ I predict that...
~ I noticed...
~What are you thinking now?
~ What are you picturing?
~ Does this remind you of anything?
~Why did you think that?
~ Have you ever...
~ What do you think will happen next?
~ What was your favorite part? Why?
~ Who was your favorite character? Why?
~ What did you like? Not like?
~ What did you learn?
~What was the most interesting? Why?

## After Reading:

~ I never knew...
~ I found... very interesting because...

~ This reminds me of...
~ My favorite part was... because...
~ My favorite character was... because...
We are looking forward to a great year here at Corsica-Stickney Elementary. Thanks for all you do to foster your child's education!

Ms. Gillette


| Girls VB Roster-2023 | Grade | \# | Height | Position |  | Grade | \# |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Varsity |  |  |  |  | C Team |  |  |
| Cali Vanden Hoek | 10 | 1 | 5'3 | L | Cali Howard | 10 | 11 |
| Sophie DeLange | 10 | 3 | 5'9 | S/RH | Ashtyn Feenstra | 9 | 7 |
| Saylor Lefers | 11 | 4 | 5 '4 | S/DS | Presleigh Lefers | 9 | 19 |
| Ashlyn Lefers | 12 | 7 | 5 '8 | OH | Miley Wieczorek | 9 | 20 |
| Cassidy Woerner | 12 | 6 | 5 '6 | $\mathrm{OH} / \mathrm{RS}$ | Hadynn Johnson | 8 | 4 |
| Brooklyn Bosma | 10 | 8 | 5 '9 | MH/RS | Aspen Bosma | 8 | 13 |
| Jacey Kemp | 12 | 14 | 5'9 | OH | Brailey Mulder | 8 | 14 |
| Ali Wieczorek | 11 | 13 | 5'5 | DS | Brooke Howard | 8 | 12 |
| Brenna Beckman | 12 | 18 | 5 '5 | DS | Lexi Gerlach | 8 | 2 |
| Claire Gerlach | 9 | 9 | 5'9 | MH/RS |  |  |  |
| Cadyn Plooster | 9 | 2 | 5'5 | S | B Team |  |  |
| Macayla Gerlach | 9 | 11 | 5 '8 | MH/RS | Aspen Bosma | 8 | 13 |
| Braylee Bordewyk | 9 | 5 | 5 '8 | S/H | Brailey Mulder | 8 | 14 |
| Paige Timmermans | 11 | 10 | 5 '6 | $\mathrm{OH} / \mathrm{RS}$ | Lexi Gerlach | 8 | 2 |
|  |  |  |  |  | Brooke Howard | 8 | 12 |
| JV |  |  |  |  | Elizabeth Bultje | 8 | 18 |
| Ali Wieczorek | 11 | 13 | 5'5 | DS | Aubrey Schuman | 8 | 21 |
| Saylor Lefers | 11 | 4 | 5'4 | S/DS | Emily Beckman | 8 | 25 |
| Paige Timmermans | 11 | 10 | 5'6 | Hitter | Remi Nelson | 7 | 23 |
| Macayla Gerlach | 9 | 11 | 5 '8 | Hitter | Bristol Nydam | 7 | 34 |
| Claire Gerlach | 9 | 9 | 5'9 | MH | Faith Plamp | 7 | 42 |
| Cadyn Plooster | 9 | 2 | 5'5 | S | Mary Krogstad | 7 | 37 |
| Cali Howard | 10 | 11 | 5'5 | Hitter | Chasity De Beer | 7 | 2 |
| Ashtyn Feenstra | 9 | 7 | 5'9 | Hitter |  |  |  |
| Presleigh Lefers | 9 | 19 | 5'5 | DS | A Team |  |  |
| Miley Wieczorek | 9 | 20 | 5 '4 | DS | Elizabeth Bultje | 8 | 18 |
| Hadynn Johnson | 8 | 4 | 5'6 | Hitter | Aubrey Schuman | 8 | 21 |
| Head Coach: Kylee Hongslo |  |  |  |  | Emily Beckman | 8 | 25 |
|  |  |  |  |  | Remi Nelson | 7 | 23 |
|  |  |  |  |  | Bristol Nydam | 7 | 34 |
| Assistant Coach: Lindsey Denning |  |  |  |  | Faith Plamp | 7 | 42 |
| 7/8 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ Coach: Jacque Boyle |  |  |  |  | Mary Krogstad | 7 | 37 |
|  |  |  |  |  | Chasity De Beer | 7 | 2 |





## Corsica-Stickney Cross Country Preview

Head Coach: Nikki Reichert
Team: Brayden Bordewyk- $7^{\text {th }}$ Grade, Ethan Vanden Hoek- $8^{\text {th }}$ Grade, Reed Woerner- $8^{\text {th }}$ Grade, Addison Krogstad$10^{\text {th }}$ Grade, Elese Gerlach-12 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ grade (returning letter winner)
As we start my third year coaching cross-country, I am excited for the season to start! Our team is fairly young, but I am hoping we can get them running at the varsity level soon, in order to compete as a team. (A team consists of 3 runners: girls \& boys) These athletes have been working hard at practice and we're hoping it shows at their meets. We're excited to see where the season takes us and hope to see improvements and new records broken.

## Schedule:

- Tuesday August 29th Gregory Invite
- Tuesday, September 5th: Scotland Meet
- Monday, September 11th: Wagner Meet @ Ft. Randall Golf Course- Pickstown
- Wednesday, September 20th: Mt. Vernon-Plankinton @ Fish Lake Golf Course- Plankinton
- Saturday, September 23rd: Platte-Geddes Meet
- Thursday, September 28th: Great Plains Conference Meet
- Thursday, October 5th: Parkston Meet
- Wednesday, October 13th: Region Cross Country Meet
- Saturday, October 21st: State Cross Country @ Yankton Trails Park- Sioux Falls


L-R Brayden Bordewyk, Ethan Vanden Hoek, Reed Woerner, Elese Gerlach, Addison Krogstad



Kylee Hongslo's $5^{\text {th }}$ grade class played a game to get to know each other and welcome a new student to their class this year.


After reading the book, "This School Year Will Be the Best" first grade wrote their hopes for the year (real or silly!)

Rae Nelson- This year I hope our teacher is gone, so we can play all day! Leighton Blom- This year I hope that my aunt has a baby boy. Zander De Beer- This year I hope that there will be a waterpark for PE. Lane Donker- This year I hope we can bring our pets to school!
Avaya Harris- This year I hope I can fly high in the sky.
Emma Bultje- This year I hope I get a pet dog.
Hayes Mulder- This year I hope it snows so I can build a snowman. Ellie Groeneweg- This year I hope I get my spelling words all right! Josiah Ferris- This year I hope to see fireworks light the sky. Asher Prickett- This year I hope I get a new phone. Alanna Tornow- This year I hope I get to be a great writer. Violet Boyle- This year I hope it rains.
Oliver Johnson- This year I hope I can pick whatever I want.
Bryer Blom- This year I hope the school is red.
Anita Olson- This year I hope I get a desk pet.
Boyd Johnson- This year I hope I get a new house.
Kailahni Obago- This year I hope to have a puppy.
Charlie Wright- This year I hope, I will be kind, helpful and help the teacher.
 or longer at all grade levels.


