

Buck Pride Shines in Many Ways.

We have just finished the first quarter and it seems like the school year is flying. The first quarter has been a lot of hard work by both students and staff in many ways. It was a pleasure to see all the community members and parents who came to watch our basketball teams play at home last Saturday. The boys played in overtime and it was an exciting contest to the last second. A number of people came up to me and commented how well they played and most importantly they never for one second gave up or looked defeated when a win slipped away. I was proud of our players as they played with heart. That is when the Bucks starts to really shine.

Those who were at the game had the chance to meet our newest edition to our extracurricular lineup, the Junior Hype Squad. Eighteen students from grades 3 to 5 who showed their Bucks pride and supported our teams. After our defeat the Junior Hype Squad got altogether and started to walk across the court and cheered, "We are proud of you!" Though the Junior Hype Squad tends to be small in size, their sense of Buck Pride resonated throughout the gymnasium, full of heart in a big way. Job well done!

Back in school we had a Hype Rally celebrating both Perfect and Excellent Attendance. We had eight students who had Perfect Attendance first quarter and seventeen students who only were absent 1 day. That is quite an accomplishment. The whole school cheered them on as they came up to accept their award. Bucks Pride shining once again.

I see Buck's Pride when I visit classrooms on a daily basis. Students working hard, studying and learning. I see teachers focused on making sure our students achieve their full potential. Many times teachers will show off, with pride, real improvements or achievements our students are making in their studies. Each time I visit Mr. Grandy's workshop students are busy and approaching each project with care, focus and pride.

Other staff are hard at work as well with a sense of pride. Mr Jones always makes sure our floors shine with the same luster found on the first day of school. Mrs. Krueger makes sure each student is getting the support they need with a heartfelt commitment and Mrs. Cornell makes sure everything runs smoothly with a smile on her face. Bucks Pride is shining through and through.

Our school still has three quarters left in the year. Each day our students arrive eager to learn and our staff is eager to teach and support them. There is a lot work to do, but I have no doubt with the hard work and pride in our students accomplishments, it will continue to be a great year. .

Sincerely

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