

SPORTS CENTER

Football teams pick up big wins

By Keegan

The 8th grade football team has had a rough time coming from a championship last year and now being desperate for more wins. They are 5-12 total between the two teams.

A couple star players that really deserve the spotlight are Lanitolo Takitaki with his moves who's gonna catch him, Jordan Dunn with his Tackles and no one's gettin' by. The

The 7th Grade football team is 3-5 on their season with some great coaches who are going to guide them to a few more wins in the playoffs.

With a few star players being Drew Deucher with his speed on the outside and Lance Reynolds with his arm *more sports next page*



Football teams continue to seek wins in post season play.

Ladies kickers set league on fire, number one in bracket

by Olivia

As the girls soccer team, Utah Valley United (Provo Bulldogs), wraps up for this season, the girls have had a strong defense and a fire offense. With a winning score of 5-4, the ladies are now #1 in their bracket.

Top defenders include Kiley Biorge, Alana Toutai, Nicole Case, Kate Lunt, Rachel Pope, Isa Puertas, Mara Reynolds, and Katie Jensen. Standout mid-fielders are Hannah Rose, Olivia Armstrong,

Riley Huntsman, Chloe Huntsman, and Sadie Snow. Finally our forwards are Mckinley Jorgensen and Lucy Brown.

Dixon boasts its share of outstanding soccer players and among those are standouts Cole Disbrow, Luke Allen and Seth Gutzman.

Disbrow plays on team Xolos and his team has won three games this season. Luke Allen is playing on the UAFC team winning six games. Gutzman is also having a great season.

The Utah Valley United boast a strong defense and are currently leading their league. A big win recently put them at number one.



HAPPY HALLOWEEN



Students tie ribbons around trees as they pledge to not do drugs.

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Panther Pride

October 2018

Say no to drugs, violence but yes to a plethora of activities and fun

Students will sign pledges to say no to drugs and violence this week.

Organized by the

PTA and the student council, there will be lunch activities, dress up days and an anti-bullying stomp after school.

Nov. 9 will be the stomp afterschool in the lunch room.

Thursday, Oct. 25 is wear read and students will participate in dizzy goggles lunch activity.

On Friday, students will sign pledges to be ... **see more on next page**

Adventure, magic come to Dixon stage as two fall plays run Nov. 1, 2 and 5

by Mele

Two fall plays come to the Dixon stage under the direction of Nicole Marriott.

The plays will run Nov. 1, 2 and 5 at 6:30 pm in the auditorium. They are performing *Montana Jones and Gymnasium of Doom*, by Wade Bradford, and *Holka Polka*, by DM Larson,. Some 40 students will take the stage in these comedy shows. Tickets will also be three dollars, but two dollars if you have your student ID.

Montana Jones tells the story of two kids who meet up with

an adventure, looking for the Ultimate Treasure! Join them on their quest through the forest of Broken Glass and the Library of Loneliness to their final destination.

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Don't miss the adventure of Montana Jones and the magic of the Hoka Poka as two fun-filled plays come to the Dixon stage Nov. 1,2 and 5 at 6:30 p.m.





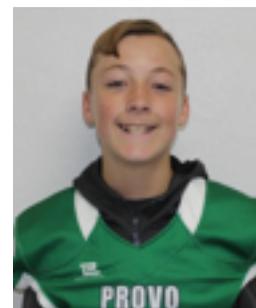
Alana



Sadie



Trey



Jordan

IN THE SPORTS SPOTLIGHT...

by **Kiley and Seth**

Featured in this issue are athletes who are passionate about kicking the ball on the field.

Eighth grader **Alana Toutai** is passionate about soccer. She plays volleyball, basketball and does Polynesian dance. She has been playing since eight years of age.

Sadie Snow plays basketball, swims and does track and field. She plays forward and midfielder on her soccer team, which is currently number one in their bracket. Sadie has been playing since pre-

Trey Jarvis plays football for the seventh grade football Provo High team He plays quarterback, and safety.

This past season was his first ever and he was put as captain. His favorite professional team is the Chiefs.

Jordan Dunn loves to play football but also plays golf and basketball.

In football, he plays running back and corner back. He has been playing for three years and has won the Football team championship.

He loves to watch and support the West Virginia Mountaineers.

P.E. Notes

by **William**

There are many physical activities that go on during the year, and here are some the ones going on this month. In girl's PE, they practiced ultimate frisbee and are now moving on to their tennis unit.

Meanwhile, in boys PE, they have been practicing soccer and have now split into 2 different leagues based on experience and are now participating in a tournament to see which team is the best at soccer.

Tennis teams heat up courts

by **Jacob**

Boys' tennis is going great. The stars of the team are Tim and TJ, and the doubles are Cade and Michael, and Jacob and Bryton. The season is going well for the Panthers, who have won most of their matches.

Girls' tennis is stellar, too. They are really good! They are winning a lot of their matches. The Lady Panthers are one of the most feared teams, and with players like

more football results...

they are bound for more touchdowns in the future.

The grade team picked up a big win as their season goes into the final week. They won 14-0 with Jason Carter and Clark Nielsen scoring their touchdowns. The team had two interceptions and Kelson Scott forced a fumble to help out with the win.



Baseball predictions

WILL IT BE THE BREWERS?

by **Isaac**

I know the World Series are not decided yet but if you ask me with the standings I think that it will be the Houston Astros Vs the Milwaukee Brewers

I picked these teams by the stats they both of these teams have. The Houston Astros have a record of 103 win and only 59 loses. And the Brewers have a record with 96 wins and 67 loses.

The Astros are have the dominating pitcher in the league Justin Verlander. Milwaukee has been dominating in the regular season and the playoffs.

In the NL West, the Brewers are up one game but there is still plenty more to go.

With some pretty good teams you will wait to make sure you catch some baseball in the coming weeks as we head down the home stretch to the World Series.

Game Bytes: Top rated video

By **William**

Recently, there have been certain games that have been all the rage. Everyone has been playing Fortnite, which is available on PC, Mac, Xbox One, PS4, iOS, Android, and Nintendo Switch. Others have been playing more active games like Pokemon GO, which is available off the App Store and the Google Play Store.

If you don't like any of those, then you can play Minecraft on its new aquatic update. Minecraft is available on PC, Mac, Linux, Windows 10, iOS, Android, Xbox One, Playstation 4, Nintendo Switch, and many more platforms. Have fun gaming!

Watch some great, classic scary movies

by **Lucy**

One "scary" movie for all of you that don't quite love horror is *Goosebumps*. *Goosebumps* is about teenage Zach Cooper. Zach has just moved to a new town and discovers his neighbor is R.L. Stine. When Zach sneaks over and accidentally unleashes all of the characters in Stine's books.

When Stine can't quite write the characters back into the book Zach must take over. This film has some great graphics and humor relieves the intense scariness.

October is one of the best months, especially for horror/scary movies. One of the best scary movies to watch *Disturbia*. *Disturbia* is about a teenage boy named Kale. Kale is played by Shia Labeouf.

When Kale's dad dies he starts to lash out and ends up getting house arrest. In house arrest Kale has nothing to do so he starts to study the neighborhood, when he discovers one of his neighbors doing shady stuff and beliefs he might be a murderer.

Another good movie is *A Quiet Place*. *A Quiet Place* is about a family stuck in a town where they are basically the only people there. The family has to be totally quiet, if they make any noise, something will hear them, find them, and kill them.

If you don't like very scary movies a good one to watch is *Lights Out*. *Lights Out* is about Rebecca, about age 20. When she was little she didn't know what was real or fake. Strange things kept happening to her. Now something is after her and her brother.

More Red Ribbon

drug free and leadership students will be wearing shirts and not talking to represent students who have been killed by drunk drivers.

Oct. 30 students will stand up to bullies and have fun lunch activity titled Cup Pong.

Students can wear Halloween costumes but no gang apparel, masks or weapons.

Author Visit

Sign up is currently available in the library for author Rebecca Jameson who will be coming to Dixon in December.

Her newest book is titled *Unforgettable*. Please ask Mrs. G, the librarian, for more information.

Career Day Nov. 1

On Nov. 1, Thursday, students will participate in Career Day and attend sessions presented by various volunteers from the community.

Hope Squad

Hope Squad recently sponsored Hope Week to encourage students to be friends to everyone and help them have hope.

Activities included wearing a yellow wrist bands, dressing in yellow, writing notes to other students which came with life savers. There was a high five day and a hat day.



Students are hard at work creating this year's yearbook with the theme beyond. Students can purchase a yearbook on line or in the main office.

The yearbook is beyond amazing, pre-order now

Students are enjoying the yearbook music video which introduces the theme of Beyond. The theme is about exploring new horizons and learning as the new decade approaches. Its all about space travel.

Yearbooks need to be pre-ordered by February. They are 30 dollars for 132 pages of full colored memories.

Applications available for Honors Society

Applications for honor society are now available from Mrs. Moody in room 100 and from Mrs. Humpherys. They are due Nov. 5 and the first activity is Nov. 12.

Honors Society service activities are held during iTime and the group also goes on field trips.

Students will have the opportunity in December to attend the Nutcracker Ballet, complete several service projects, participate in a writing workshop with author Jennifer Nielsen and go on an adventure to Thanksgiving Point.

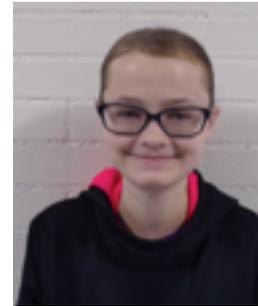
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In Holka Polka, the Prince has been put under a sleeping spell, and it is up to the sweetest witch in the land to discover who committed this nefarious deed.

With her friends Cindy and Mr. Fuzzy, she investigates to uncover a deeper plot that could change the course of the world as they know it.



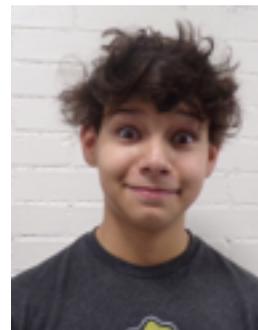
Katelyn



Alexis



Jaden



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Panther Piks

by KenneDee

This month's Panther Piks features Katelyn Jensen, Alexis Ercanbrack, Isaiah Gonzales, and Jaden Lineback.

One of **Katelyn's** hobbies is pottery and she is also interested in 60's, 70's, and 80's music. When Katelyn is bored she likes to read and her favorite thing about Dixon is the courtyard. Her favorite food or treat for halloween is pretzels.

Alexis loves to draw, her favorite movie is *Coraline*. When she is bored she likes to hang out with her best friend. She loves that at Dixon the teachers help the students focus on helping students succeed and understand material. Her favorite halloween candy is Reese's Pieces.

Isaiah's loves dancing, and when he is bored he likes to play video games. He likes pop music and his favorite thing about Dixon is their pizza. He loves Snickers and his favorite halloween costume is a gilly suit.

One of **Jaden's** interests is theater and ballroom. His favorite band is twenty one pilots, one thing that he likes about Dixon is the teachers and how much fun they are. His favorite Halloween treat is boo-berry



Student Life

LIA attends conference, completes service for orphans

by Estafni

After several weeks of selling chips at lunch, Latinos in Action used the funds to buy school supplies for an orphanage in Mexico.

Ms. Ordaz was able to hand deliver donations, a card and a pillowcase made by Dixon students.

She said, "The happiness and the excitement that each student and girl showed as they saw their cards and gifts was what brighten my students' day."

LIA students were also invited to attend a conference at the Vivant area last week. This conference was to inform them about the problems of Opiod Abuse and encourage them to lead a healthy lifestyle.

The summit included mixed martial arts fights, musicians and parents who had lost children to opiod abuse.



What's happening around campus...

by Lucy and Olivia

It's **science** project time and all eighth graders get to make present a science project. Dixon's school science fair will showcae excellent projects in January.

Students have started training for **Science Olympiad**. Students who are interested can participate on Tuesday and Thursday. They have started building projects for a competition in the spring.

Both Math 8H and the Math SM1 are now working on their i can #4. The Math 8

students are not far behind.

The **stem classes** are preparing for a presentation from a game programmer on Oct. 26 6th and 7th period.

In **Mrs. Moody's reading classes**, students are reading a horror novel title Vladimir Tod and completing a book project. They showing reading growth in Reading Plus.

In her **English honors class**, students completed a research project including a mini movie about a person who made a difference in the 1930's. In November they will be working with nonfiction texts.

In **digital media**, students are working to create media about an issue that effect society. Those issues include religious in-

The **librarian** would like to remind students to return books. The check out period is two weeks and others are waiting to read the book.

Also Book Battle team meetings have begun in the library. They meeting each month during iTime.

Also in the library students can particiapate in fun activities including pumpkin piano.

Every art 1 class is working to create lartge snapshots of Provo. Students are using the grid method to divide up a photo into 35 squares, which will be then drawn larger by the students and painted as realistically as possible.

According to Ms. Celar's the art will be on display in the upstairs hall in November.

In **Mr. Harris' classes**, Art I, drawing and Art 2, students have begin working on clay sculptures after fall break. Art 1 will make clay monsters, Art 2 will make theme mugs.

In **U.S. studies, Mr. Sheeder's** students have become the teachers. They prepare a presentation, activity, assessment and something tangible for each student to take home.

They also completed debates about explorers, preparing research and discussing the topic of which explorer was the most important.

Mrs. Drussel's honors English classes wrapped up their dytaopian unit by completing challenging projects and reading Fahrenheit 451.

Her other English classes finished reading Watson's go

to Birmingham, 1963. They read about the bombing in Birmingham and did activities at home related to the book. Next, all classes will begin a short story unit, including Halloween/scary stories.

Ms. LaRose's history classes recently did research and the held a debate.

In **Mrs. Vassau's Honors/Pre AP classes** we are reading *Fahrenheit 451* and learning about Dystopias. In her **English 8** classes, students are reading *The Watsons go to Birmingham* and learning about the Civil Rights Movement.

Mr. Lyman's English classes have been reading *The Outsiders*.

It's all about music and dance

by Moira

Dance students participated in a dance social with Centennial in October. In November there will be a dance social at 3:30 p.m. at Centennial.

Music students are preparing for the holiday season. On Dec. 12 there will be band concert featuring the Jazz Band, Concert Band along with Panther Band and Beginning Band. This will begin at 6:30 p.m. under the direction of Ms. Giblon.

Mrs. Laccayo will direct the orchestra groups in a concert on Dec. 13 at 6:30 p.m. The choirs will perform under Mr. Tijerina on Dec. 19 at 6:30 p.m.

Dixon Middle School presents
Montana Jones
and the gymnasium of doom
by Wade Bradford
and
Holka Polka
by Mrs. Lanson
Nov. 1, 2 & 5
at 6:30 p.m
auditorium
Directed by Nicole Marriott
Tickets \$3 per student, \$2 with student I.D.
\$10 per family
produced courtesy of freedrama.net



Students show off the pillowcases they made in sewing class.



Students in Mrs. Moody's Honors English class create mini-movies.



Students work with Mrs. G in the library to prepare for Book Battle.



A student in LaRose's history participates in a debate.

At the movies...

House with Clock in Walls

The House with the Clock in the Walls tells the spine tingling tale of a ten year old orphan, who unleashes an evil wizard on the world as he seeks to impress new middle school friends.

The sleepy town jolts to life as the wizard and his evil witch wife threaten the world. After losing his parents, Lewis is sent to Michigan to live with his uncle Jonathan. He discovers his uncle is a warlock and enters the world of magic and sorcery.

His power is not limited to good people and Lewis learns of Isaac Izard and evil wizard who constructed a dooms day clock and hid it in the walls of the house. Now Lewis and Jonathan must find the clock before it finishes his countdown and ends the world.

This action packed film stars two of my favorite people in Jack Black and Cate Blanchett.

Black and Blanchett have excellent chemistry together. They're both quite humorous, but they also nail the characters' more serious moments.

Visually the film looks great from the 50s' setting to the entire look of the lavish house from the title, especially the scary visuals. Really, they rank with the likes of Tim Burton.

The film knows when to have fun, but it knows when to bring on the scares. I prefer the book and the other works of John Bellairs over Goosebumps, because the horror was played more directly and seriously, and this movie understands that. It's good for a laugh and a scare.

Halloween Jokes by Bailey and Josh

Joe: What do you called wood when it's scared?

Bob: I don't know.

Joe: Petrified

Michael: What treat do eye-doctors give out on Halloween?

Matthew: I don't know. What?

Michael: Candy Corneas

Spencer: What plants like Halloween the most?

Tanner: Which ones?

Spencer: Bam-BOO!

Fave Halloween Haunts

Looking to have some fun over the fall break? Whether it's pumpkins or night frights there are some great places in Utah County to celebrate the Halloween season. Cornbelly's is a family tradition for many with activities for the whole family.

Carnival rides, the cow train, hay ride along with apple blast cannons and a variety of games to play,

Jake's Farm in Springville includes hayrides, petting zoo and corn maze and people can also select a pumpkin. Less time involved and less money than Cornbellys but still fun.

Hee Haw Farms in Pleasant Grove also features a haunted hayride-pumpkin menu and is the home of the great pumpkin drop.

Halloween Cruise on the Provo River run through October and includes dozens of hand carved pumpkins and is a scary way to spend an October evening.

Sarah: What are a ghost's favorite ride at a fair/

Ryan: I don't know, tell me?

Sarah: The scary-go-round and the roller-ghoster



The Funny Papers

