

# Dragon Tales

Alconbury Middle/High School  
NEWSLETTER

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## *“Quality Not Quantity”*

*Quality Through:*

*Rigor - challenging curriculum and instruction*

*Relevance - assignments with a purpose*

*Relationships - mutually respectful interactions*

**Upcoming Event** Feb 8 Academic Awards Assembly (All Grades) 1335hrs Small Gym  
Feb 9 NAEP Testing for 8<sup>th</sup> graders  
Feb 11/12 Basketball @ MWH, Wrestling @ Lakenheath  
Middle School Dance – see details below

### **From the Principal**

2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter/1<sup>st</sup> semester report cards were mailed on Tuesday, Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>. If you did not receive one, please contact Ms. Cloum. We look forward to celebrating the success of our students at the Academic Awards assembly on Tuesday, Feb 8<sup>th</sup> at 1335 in the small gym. Please encourage your students to dress up for this event. We are proud of their achievements!

Thank you to those parents and students who helped make the basketball tournament such a success this past weekend. Go, Dragons!

### **AAFES' Made the Grade Program**

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service's Made the Grade program is offering students in grades one through 12 who achieve a B average or better on their report cards a chance to win awards and a savings bond worth up to \$5,000.

The mail-in drawing for the bond is the most valuable prize in the program, now in its 10th year. Other awards include a coupon-filled booklet that offers free or discounted meals at AAFES restaurants, savings on movie rentals and discounts on DVD purchase, according to an AAFES news release.

Students with a valid Department of Defense ID card and proof of an overall grade average of B or better can pick up the awards package by contacting their local exchange. Students can receive one coupon package for every qualifying report card, but can enter the savings bond drawing only once per year.

### **Middle School Dance February 11th**

The Alconbury Dance Team is sponsoring a Valentine's Dance for Middle School only on Friday, February 11<sup>th</sup> from 5-7pm in the AM/HS small gym.

Tickets will be on sale for \$5.00 during seminar and at the door. It is not a formal dance, but students are welcome to dress up for the dance.

### **Wrestling**

Other schools represented were: AF North, Bitburg, Brussels, SHAPE, Kaiserslautern, and Lakenheath. Our 5 varsity wrestlers performed well enough to come in 5<sup>th</sup> place and outscored SHAPE and AF North. Andrew Luong led the way coming in 2<sup>nd</sup> in his weight class. Johannes Wimmer scored 2 impressive victories in the 171 lb weight class. Frankie Goines came in 3<sup>rd</sup> in his weight class with 2 wins. Peter Rydzynski also looked strong in the 125 lb weight class and came in 3<sup>rd</sup>. Matt Geronimo had a strong win in the tough 119 lb weight class. Wrestling for the middle school were Salomon Dana and Gaby Gonzalez who both wrestled tough opponents.

Our next match is this Saturday @ SHAPE HS, Belgium. Circle 12 Feb. on your calendar and plan to come out and support the team at Lakenheath HS who will be hosting the Northern Sectionals. See you there.

### **Girls Basketball**

The Girls Basketball team had some tough losses this past weekend, but played very well and showed a lot of improvement. Defensively, the girls stepped up and fought hard. Offensively, nine of the girls put points on the board this weekend. Jemma Matthews, Sydney Smith, Rachel Malcolm, and Kayla Gray all scored baskets for the team. Ashley Steele, Nastassia Peters, and Riley Sorensen each had 8 points for the weekend. Freshman Stephanie Galan had 14 points over the tournament, while Senior Savanna Fourhman had a total of 34 points over four games. The Dragons will host Bedford this Wednesday at 5pm and they will be traveling to TESIS on Friday.

The Girls Basketball team beat Bedford Wednesday night 21 to 11. Savanna Fourhman led the Dragons with 9 points. Stephanie Galan and Sydney Smith each had 4 points. The Girls will play TESIS on Friday.

### **From the AVID Department**

#### **AVID STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS**

##### ***MULTIPLY-CHOICE QUESTIONS***

It's important to remember to READ THE ANSWERS FIRST when answering multiply-choice questions. This type of question is usually used in STANDARDIZED TEST-tests that are used all over the country or throughout and have been written by test experts and graded by computer.

1. Answer all questions you know first; read all of the choices for each question and choose the one that answers the question smoothly and seems right on its own.
2. Go back and look over the questions you didn't know or were unsure of and make an intelligent guess-remember, ONLY ONE ANSWER IS CORRECT.
3. Read the questions carefully, looking for trick words.

EXAMPLE: "All of the following are correct, except..." The word "except" tells you that you should select the one choice that IS NOT correct.

4. Sometimes one of the answer choices may be "all of the above" or "none of the above." Use your common sense:
  - a. If you know at least one incorrect choice, then "all of the above" can't be right.
  - b. On the other hand, if you know that at least one of the choices is right, "none of the above" can't be correct.
5. Be sure to answer every question and check to make sure that you marked each answer in the correct space.

STANDARDIZED MULTIPLY-CHOICE TESTS often have very specific parts to them. Check out the next issue of the Dragon Tales for *VOCABULARY TESTS*, followed by *TAKING ESSAY TESTS* and concluding with *TIMED WRITING*.

### **Attachments:**

**Lunch Menu:**

<p><b>7</b></p> <p>Hamburger on a Bun            3-Cheese Boat or Grilled Cheese            Nic Nac Chicken Salad w/Crackers            Chicken Fry            Veggie Wrap            Deli Roasters            Steamed Broccoli            Mandarin Oranges            Melon Fruit Cup</p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p>Turkey &amp; Vegetable Egg Rolls            Orange Ginger Chicken Bowl            Ham Salad w/Crackers            Chicken Fillet on WG Bun            Asian Chopped Salad            Mediterranean Vegetable Blend            Green Beans            Chilled Peaches            Chilled Pineapples            Brown Rice</p>	<p><b>9</b></p> <p>Philly Cheese Sandwich            Cheese Salad            Turkey Salad w/Crackers            Hotdog on a Bun            Mexican Chicken Salad            Baked Beans            Steamed Carrots            Fresh Fruit Cup            Applesauce</p>	<p><b>10</b></p> <p>Chicken Sliders            Meatball Sub Sandwich            Chef Salad w/Crackers            Turkey Wrap            Ham Submarine            Sweet Potato Wedges            Spinach &amp; Tomato Salad            Chilled Pears            Juicy Orange Wedges            Italian Pasta Salad</p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p>Breakfast Panini or Cheese Omelet            Sausage Patty            Chicken Fillet Salad w/Crackers            Cheese Pizza Dippers            Tuna Wrap            Deli Roasters            Montego Bay Veggie Blend            Fruit Cocktail            Fresh Sliced Apples            French Toast Sticks or Waffle</p>
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If you have any questions about our school policies or comments you would like the principal to know, please contact Dr. White using the following email address: [AlconburyHS.Principal@eu.dodeca.edu](mailto:AlconburyHS.Principal@eu.dodeca.edu) or Dr. Ronald McIntire, Isles District Superintendent at DSN226-7234/7252/7224.: or COM 01638-527234/7252/7224.