

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 **May 21** Baseball/Softball v. Lakenheath
May 23 SAC Meeting 1530 hrs AMHS Library
AP Night 1700 hrs AMHS Library
May 24 Spring Music Concert 1900 hrs Small Gym
May 25 NJHS/NHS Induction Ceremony 1335 hrs Small Gym

From the Principal

As we dash through the remaining month of school, we invite you to attend the various events at AMHS! Our soccer and track teams are at Europeans this week and softball and baseball will be going to Europeans next week. Next Monday, we will have our final School Advisory Council (SAC) meeting of the year in the library at 15:30. We need volunteers to serve on this committee next year. The SAC meets once a quarter and we really need your support! Please contact me if you are interested in volunteering.

Our annual AP Night is Monday, in the library from 17:00 – 18:15. If your student is taking an AP course next year, please bring your student and learn more about our AP program. Our booster club is preparing for Dragon Fest (Friday June 3) and needs approximately 10 volunteers to help set up, cook, serve lunch, and clean up. If can help with this activity, please contact Terri Cloum or Dave Hammond.

Middle School Dance

All Middle School Students are cordially invited to attend The Masquerade Formal May 28th, 2011 at 6:30-9:00pm at the Village. Tickets are \$10 and will be on sale in the cafeteria through the 27th of May. Dress code applies; ties are required for boys, no jeans or sneakers allowed. Come and help send off our class of 2015!

Are You Leaving Alconbury This Summer?

If you will not be returning to Alconbury MHS, please inform Mrs. Cloum and come by the school office on Thursday June 23rd between the hours of 0600 and 1500 hrs to pick up your student(s) sealed school records. This will enable you to hand carry the records to their next school. If you cannot make that date, please contact Mrs. Cloum to arrange another specific date/time.

Terra Nova Results Are In!

Please come to the office to pick up your student(s)' Terra Nova Results.

Sports Physicals

If your student will be playing fall sports this coming year at Alconbury, it is highly recommended that you begin the process of getting their physical now if at all possible. The clinic is staffed with only one doctor over the summer and we want to be proactive as much as possible in getting our student-athletes cleared for fall sports early on.

AMHS Basketball Camp

Students from the 8th to 11th grades interested in improving their basketball skills are encouraged to sign up for the AHS Intramural Basketball Week being held from Tuesday, May 31 to Thursday, June 2 in the large school gym from 3:30-5:30. Emphasis will be placed on dribbling, passing, and shooting skills as well as defense and rebounding. Participants can sign up for the activity bus and there is no limit to the number of girls who can attend.

For an application form, see Coach Eidt or pick one up in the front office. We look forward to seeing you there!

Parents of 8th graders: Please join us on Friday, May 27th @ 13:45 in the small gym for the 8th grade “Moving Up” ceremony, celebrating your child’s transition into high school. Questions? Contact Student Council Sponsor Valerie Pisierra at valerie.pisierra@eu.dodea.edu

Scholastic Challenge: The Results Are Back!

Several of our 6th and 8th students took the opportunity to participate in this nationwide competition sponsored by the American Scholastic Achievement League. They were among the 15,000 middle-school students who participated on the two contest levels. All of our students scored well, and over 90% of them scored at or above the national average for their level! We are very proud of all of our participants. Awards will be given out at our last Awards Assembly on June 9th.

From the AVID Department

Critical Thinking Activity

Were you able to *Beat the Computer* question: Do you agree with Bob? What argument might you use against him?

Answer: There was a fatal flaw in Bob’s argument. Suppose Bob were to build a second computer, identical to the first one, and then make the two computers play against one another. One computer will beat the other, so clearly one of them will not have won every game it ever plays.

Today’s Critical Thinking Activity is **Connect the Dots**.

Nine dots are arranged in a grid, as in the diagram below.



Draw four straight lines without lifting your pencil from the paper so that the lines pass through each dot.

Look for the solution in the next issue of the Dragon Tales and have fun with another **Critical Thinking Activity**.

Track

Alconbury Track Results: Patrick Short, Keith Marasigan, Brian Raab and Jonathan Lee qualified for the European Track Championships this weekend. They ran the 1600 meter Sprint Medley in a qualifying time of 3 minutes and 59 seconds.

Softball

The Lady Dragons softball team got off the bus in AFNORTH a little tired and didn't play up to their abilities dropping two games to AFNORTH Lions.

However, with a good night's sleep the Lady Dragons took out their frustrations on the SHAPE Spartans. They won the first game 17 to 8, which saw many of the Dragons improving their batting averages. Marissa Cole pitched 4 innings, striking out 8 in four innings of work. Marissa also went 3-5 at bat hitting 3 singles, Ashley Uballo went 4-5 hitting 4 singles, Jordan Portman hit 4-5 with 3 singles and a double, Ashley Steele went 5-5 with 3 singles, a double and a triple, Emily Luong going 4-4 with 4 singles, Riley Sorensen going 4-4 with 4 singles and Sara Hubert hitting a two run home run which helped put the game away.

In the second game, the Dragons wanted to get back on the bus quickly so they mercy ruled the Spartans in 3 innings 15-0. Behind good defensive work by the entire team, Ashley Steele fanned 4 batters, allowing 3 hits in 3 innings. As indicated by the score, the bats were hot in the second game, batting around the order twice to seal the victory.

Senior Finals Schedule

June 2 – Exam Periods 2 & 4

June 3 – Dragon Fest

June 6 – Exam Periods 5 & 7

June 7 – Exam Periods 1 & 3

June 8 – Exam Period 6

Seniors clean out lockers/return locks

Deadline to replace any lost or damaged school materials

Clearance sheets completed and submitted to Ms. Cloum

June 9 – All Senior grades due by 8:00

Senior Meeting 8:20 – Location TBA

Watch graduation DVD, March Practice & Activity

June 10 – Leave school on bus at 8:30 for Peterborough Graduation Practice

Be at Cathedral by 5:45 for graduation

Clearance Sheets will be given to seniors on Wednesday, June 1st.

Teachers will sign the senior clearance sheets as they have students for classes and exams. Teachers can tell students when they will sign their clearance sheets, so students will not interrupt them while they are teaching.

6th -11th grade Finals Schedule

June 10 – Period 5, 6, Period 1 & 2 Review

June 13 – Period 1 & 2 Final, Period 3 & 4 Review

June 14 – Period 3 & 4 Final, Period 5 & 6 Review

June 15 – Period 5 & 6 Final, Seminar, Period 7 Review

June 16 – Period 7 Final, Seminar – Early Release day – Students dismissed at 1120

Attachments:

Lunch Menu

23 Corn Dog Club Submarine Nic Nac Chicken Salad Chicken Fryz Veggie Wrap Montego Bay Veggie Blend Cauliflower Chilled Peaches Melon Fruit Cup	24 Chicken & Cheese Quesadilla Turkey Tetrizzini Ham Salad Chicken Fillet on a Bun Asian Chopped Salad Deli Roasters Romaine & Tomato Salad Mandarin Oranges Fresh Sliced Apples Blueberry Muffin or Banana Bread	25 Beef & Broccoli Bowl Mac & Cheese Entrée' Turkey Salad Hotdog on a Bun Mexican Chicken Salad Steamed Carrots Garden Side Salad Fruit Cocktail Seasonal Fruit	26 Chicken Sliders Sliced Turkey w/Dinner Roll Chef Salad Turkey Wrap Ham Submarine Sweet Potato Wedges Green Beans Applesauce Banana Chocolate chip cookie	27 Pepperoni Pizza Ranch Turkey & Cheese Wrap Chicken Fillet Salad Cheese Pizza Dippers Tuna Wrap Broccoli, Carrots & Cauliflower Carrots & Celery w/FF Dip Juicy Orange Wedges Chilled Pears Dinner Roll
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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.dodea.edu or Dr. Ronald McIntire, Isles District Superintendent at DSN226-7234/7252/7224.; or COM 01638-527234/7252/7224.