

Dec. 2019**Coming Up!**

Winter Break:
Dec. 20th –Jan. 3

Jan 14—PTSA : 530
p.m.

Sports Schedule:

Archery:
Jan 21 Ozark Empire
Jan 26 Champion-
ships
Jan. 28 Ozark Empire

Boys Basketball:
Jan. 16 v Cassville
Jan. 21 v PV
Jan. 24 v Westport
Jan 30 v Camdenton

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The New Jarrett Broadcaster

Dr. Slater, Principal

Dear Jarrett Family,

I want to thank everyone who has played a role in making these first four months at Jarrett so rewarding for me. This has been a tremendous opportunity and I am blessed to be surrounded by such a community of support! We are nearing the end of 1st semester with the sights and sounds of the Holidays all around us. I am so proud of our faculty, staff, and students and thankful for the support of parents who make our calling of education so gratifying.



As the Jarrett team, we are looking forward to a strong finish as we close out the quarter and a bright future as we look ahead for the next semester. Don't forget to follow us on Twitter, stay abreast of important updates on the Remind App, and peruse the Jarrett website for extra and co-curricular activities on our Google calendar. It's truly a privilege to partner with the Jarrett community investing in the lives of our future leaders. I am reminded daily, it's all about TEAM...Together, Everyone, Accomplishes, More.

Twitter - @JarrettTrojans

Remind App - text @7e4kk6 to 81010

Website - <https://www.sps.org/jarrett>

Safety and Security



The new offices are finally ready! It took six months and several days with lots of racket, but the work is finished! The entrance to Jarrett is now safe and secure. Dr. Slater, Mr. Ivey, Mrs. Summers and Mrs. Howell moved from their cramped spaces in the 7th grade hallway to their new offices just before Winter Break. So far only one teacher has gotten locked in!



"It's the most wonderful time of the year!!!" The holiday season is all about gifts and sparkle and music and goodies. But best of all... Winter Break, 10+ glorious days of no school!! No getting up early, no homework and lots of time to do whatever you want. As awesome as this sounds, sometimes the holidays can be super stressful. Here are 3 ways to find some peace and happiness during the winter break.

1. Get enough sleep!

You're a lot more fun to hang out with when you've gotten some sleep. You have more patience for your family and that means they'll have more patience for you.

2. Eat some food without sugar! Everything is full of sugar during the holidays and sugar hypes you up and also makes you crash, eat your veggies.

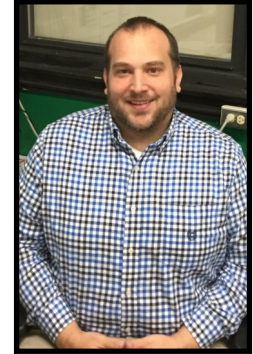
3. Take some time to be grateful! Social media makes everyone's lives look exciting and glamorous... perfect. Remember that life is lived and social media is staged. Be grateful for the little things in life that make you and your friends and family feel good.

Mr. Duncan, Special Ed by Makyla Trexel

We have a very special teacher at Jarrett this year. His name is Mr. Duncan and he teaches the special needs math. He likes using a mixture of hands on work and listening and learning. So far he tries to connect with his students by having a positive attitude and "Making sure my students feel comfortable."

Before he started teaching at Jarrett he worked with kids in foster care, for seven years. Mr. Duncan has always wanted to be a teacher ever since he was young. Some things he does on his free time include spending time with his family, gardening and studying Spanish colonial history. So if you see

him in the hallway or around school, make sure you smile and welcome him to Jarrett.



Mr. Spillers by Cricket Saddler



Jarrett has a new teacher you may not have seen. His classroom is in the basement and his name is Mr. Spillers. He works with the special education kids and this is his

10th year working in that field. Clearly, he enjoys it.

Mr. Spillers used to work at Forsyth and he says that Springfield is a much bigger district than what he's used to, but he figured that it was better to go to Jarrett since it's closer to home. "I like Jarrett because of the faculty. When I got here they were all immediately helping me out and building relationships with me. They are very welcoming and nice. Jarrett has a lot of school spirit."

Mr. Spillers also states, "I want to impact Jarrett to make relationships and to help kids reach their goals, not just in education, but life in general."

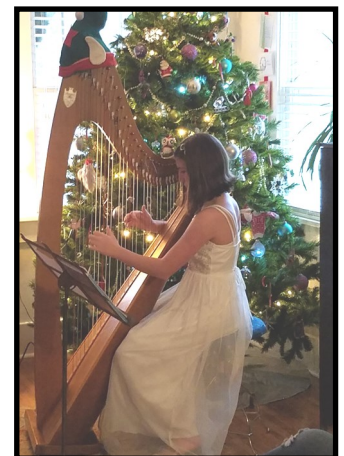
Mr. Spillers' wife is also a teacher in Springfield, and they have 2 children. They are ages six years and eight months old. He also claims to be a Chiefs fan, so if you're someone who likes the Kansas City Chiefs, you will most likely get along with him.

Student Profile: Evy Sunshine by Natalee Smith

Who is the girl behind the harp? Evy Sunshine! Evy is a 6th grader here at Jarrett and she loves to play the harp. We were lucky enough to be able to hear her play during the first Jarrett Pride Assembly of this school year. It was incredible and it is easy to realize why. She usually practices twenty minutes twice a day! Evy has been playing the harp since she

was six and she started playing the harp because it is a family tradition.

A couple of her goals are to either make it to the Springfield Symphony or some kind of symphony. She also wants to learn how to play the Pedal Harp. Some of the goals she has achieved so far are being first in her group and she has gone to state.



Jarrett Holiday Concert

The Jarrett band, orchestra and choir performed for all students on Friday, November 22nd. We were entertained with a wonderful mixture of current music. The 8th grade choir performed four selections which included "This is Me" from the Greatest Showman, Lovely by Billie Eilish, Carol of the Bells, and Fruitcake. The choir demonstrated their talent by sounding as one voice, with spirit and enthusiasm. Soloists for the choir selections included, Makayli Wright, Jayden Christian, and Erykah Lee.



Cheer Squad - by Abby Hill

As you all have seen, our cheer squad has grown quite a lot from last year. Last year we had 12 athletes and this year we have 19, that's a seven person increase from last year's team.

The team has one dress-like uniform, and a couple different outfits to wear to different events. Our first pancake breakfast fundraiser was a great success and we were able to purchase uniforms we needed because of the larger team! We also went to a stunting clinic, and the hard work has paid off.

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ATTENDANCE WINNERS!

Congratulations to 7th graders Angel and Piper. They were the attendance winners and took home 32 inch flat-screen TVs!

Holiday Season Celebrations

First and Calvary

Monday, December 2nd, the choir and a quartet from the eighth grade took a trip to First and Calvary Church! The choir sang some Christmas tunes, and the quartet played songs for the ladies luncheon. You probably already know that the church provides a lot for us. They provide food for our athletes before games and make cakes for the faculty and staff each month. This was a way to give back to them! Everyone sounded wonderful, and we're very proud of both groups!

Choir Caroling!

The 8th grade choir spent Tuesday, December 10, spreading holiday cheer as they traveled around Springfield singing. Pictured below is their stop in the library. The group went to a nursing home before they met up with the Parkview choir. The two groups of Christmas singers went to Delaware Elementary and performed for the students there. They were able to have lunch at the Battlefield Mall before they returned to school at the end of the day.

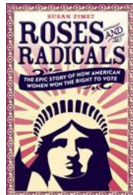
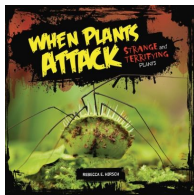
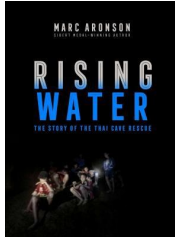
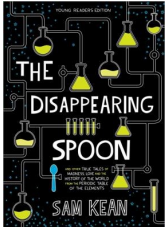


From the Library

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Nonfiction Books!

There are some wonderful new non-fiction books in the library! The ones you definitely don't want to miss include a book about the elements, one about plants that "eat" insects, a book

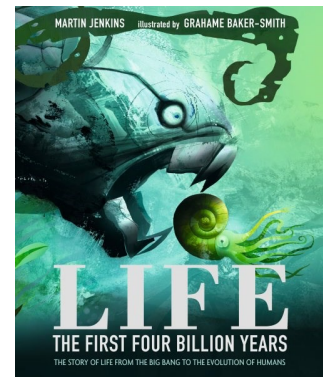


that details the events that eventually led to the rescue of a soccer team from a flooded cave and finally the story of what women faced to make it possible for females to finally be able to vote.

One of the best new books is written by Martin Jenkins and illustrated by Grahame Baker-Smith. The title is: ***Life: The first four billion years***. This incredible book has everything you could want except an index. The chapters detail the beginnings of our Earth and break the eons down by billions of years at first and then by tens of millions of years through the age of the dinosaurs. Especially interesting is the information about the Great Permian Extinction. This extinction happened when over 90% of life on Earth and 70% of life in the seas went extinct. Scientists speculate that a huge increase in volcanic activity around 250,000,000 years ago in Siberia created a great increase in methane and

carbon dioxide gasses in the atmosphere. This caused an increase in global temperatures and possibly triggered the extinction crisis. This was the most severe of the five extinction episodes in our history.

The Age of Mammals comes close to the very end of the book and shows the relatively small amount of time humans have walked on the Earth.



The Art Corner



Mugs for sale!

Jarrett 6th, 7th and 8th grade art students had a chance to show off their creativity just before Winter Break. They spent several weeks creating, painting and glazing their one-of-a-kind mugs. As students focused on being

as creative as possible, they knew that when their creation was glazed and baked, it was going to be sold! The money used from the sale of these treasures will be used to fund the Third Annual Pop-Up Art Show in March.

Each art student will have something entered in the Pop-Up Art Show, which not only showcases Mrs. Lux's art students, but also gives other students a chance to shine. Some students will sing songs written and composed by themselves. Others will play instruments and several of Ms. Silver's orchestra students will have an opportunity to show their musical chops. This is all possible because of collaboration between Mrs. Lux, Mrs. Loudis and Ms. Silvers.



Tree mug created by Abby Blevins, the Snowman mug was created by Chloe Brashears, and the skeleton head by Cahlea Crain.

The Greatest Show on Earth Review by Lane Neal

When we entered the gymnasium, we were welcomed to the show by a dramatic piece played by the marching band which included drums, beatboxing, every type of brass instrument you could think of, and even some orchestra accompaniments. Soon after, the Parkview Parade began, showing the many sports, clubs, organizations, and other extracurricular activities that Parkview has to offer. Are you a sport fan? In the show, we were presented with the precise balance and practice involved in cheerleading, basketball passes and shots necessary to make a skilled unit to win games, and the tactics and strength of wrestlers. For the more nimble of the arts, we were shown the grace of Vikettes performing carefully choreographed dances, the muscle memory needed to play piano and cello to make a wonderful duet of harmonic music, and the acting capability to perform the musical titled, "The Prince Gives a Ball." Overall, we were shown just a scratch on the surface of over 50 different programs designed to help students improve physically, mentally, and socially, all placed together to truly make the Greatest Show on Earth.

Jarrett 8th grade students were able to see the **Comedy of Errors** performed at MSU just before Thanksgiving. In this classic comedy, William Shakespeare grasps an age-old idea and multiplies its conflict and wit, creating a magnificent menagerie made of two sets of twins, both born from the same father, and two sets of twin servants who are from a different father. The twins are named Antipholus, and their servants are named Dromio. The comedy and the errors which the play receives its name from come from the interactions between the sets of twins, their servants, and the situations that they are placed in. For example, one of the twins, Antipholus of Syracuse sends his servant, Dromio of Syracuse, to fetch some money he had made and bring it back to him so he wouldn't be arrested because he had a debt to pay to a merchant. Dromio of Syracuse brings the money to Antipholus of Ephesus on accident, thinking that it was Antipholus of Syracuse who was actually roaming the streets and viewing the sights around town.

This is just one of the many circumstances that the characters are placed in, but the sheer amount of laughter inspired doesn't even get close to the amount of overall joy one receives from this marvelous play.



First Ever Art Fundraiser



Mugs created by Jarrett students from left to right:

Jarrett students created almost 300 coffee mugs and sold them for \$5 each to raise money to support the Pop-Up Art Show held in Downtown Springfield during the April Art Walk. Churchill Coffee assisted with the fundraising by donating 300 packets of coffee to be included in each mug sale. This generous donation included Sinless Pastry, Hazelnut cream and Breakfast Blend coffees.



Elk's Hoop Shoot



The Elk's Hoop Shoot in November was held at the Dream Center. Jarrett students, Dakota Stogsdill and Brooklynn Masten placed first in the 12-13 age division and will be moving on to the competition in January. Khasye Highley and Skyler McCann placed second in the same age group and are alternates for the district competition.

Wrestling Team by Diego Cafagna

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Many people may be accustomed to watching WWE on TV but that's nothing like the wrestling you'll find here at Jarrett. The kind of acrobatic moves like suplexes and powerslams aren't applicable to the wrestling here or at least don't really happen. According to Coach Oliver some stand out wrestlers are Piper (7th Grade), Skyler (8th Grade) and Ezekiel (7th Grade).

I recently had the chance to watch a wrestling game here at Jarrett. And despite the lack of theatrical stunts commonplace in WWE, it was admittedly entertaining. The only real negative is sitting around for about two hours.

Regardless, the wrestling team is working hard for Jarrett and you can support them anytime at a game. As of when this article is being written the team has an upcoming All-City game on December . Support the team and show your Jarrett Pride!



Girls Basketball

by Coach McBrayer

7th Grade: "One could describe the seventh-grade basketball experience in one word, "fundamental". Our seventh-grade girls' basketball team has been working hard on improving their fundamentals, developing a passion for the game, and having fun at the same time. This season has been a roller coaster of ups and downs, but through it all, the Jarrett Lady Trojans have persevered and improved their fundamental basketball abilities. As their coach, I am tremendously proud of the efforts of all the girls. Kamara Brown, Anyae Trotter and Piper Gardner, team leaders in points scored per game, entered the season with more experience than most, and it showed as these three

were some of the top players on the team. Newcomer to the game, Aaliyah Cowden, also showed that hard work can beat experience and talent, if talent doesn't work hard, as she maintained a helpful role on the team, leading us in rebounding and blocks. Although our season didn't end at the top of the standing, each Jarrett Lady Trojan should be proud of themselves for improving throughout the year and making memories that will last a lifetime."



8th Grade:

The 8th grade team is a powerhouse again this year. The team is lead by Tara Matsen who averages 20+ points per game. Piper Keith leads defense with the most steals and Aeriana Rhine was their lead rebounder. Olivia Sutterfield and Raigan Smith round out this amazing starting lineup. Their strength is in their friendships and trust that they have each other's backs. When you add in the strong bench, you see why this team is playing for first place in the district. Their record is 11 wins and 1 loss. They played Cherokee for first place, December 19th at Hillcrest and took 2nd place in the district! Go Lady Trojans!

