

Stonewall Scoop

PTA Newsletter

Go Stallions!

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HOW TO KEEP SAFE IN THE WINTER

By: Autumn Stumbo and Jackson
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The winter season is approaching and it is very important to have fun and stay safe. Check out our tips below on how to stay safe this winter season!

- Bundle up with warm clothes
- Get prepared for snow
- Put on a coat and boots
- Don't eat the yellow snow
- Don't go outside without parent permission
- Walk slowly on ice and snow

Chess Team Results



On Saturday, November 19, 2011 three students from Stonewall Elementary competed in the 5th Annual Mitchell Bedford Memorial Scholastic Chess Tournament in Winchester, KY. They were: Reed Richardson, Luke Nuzzo and Benjamin Bratten who won a second place trophy in the K3 division. Congratulations, boys! You did a great job!

What Are Your Teachers Doing Over the Holiday Break?

By: Rosa Sonaito, Samantha Shearer, and Evan Shearer

The holiday break is coming fast! Do you want to know what your teachers will be doing over the break? Well, we asked to find out. Check out what Stonewall teachers had to say when we asked, "What are you doing for the holiday break?"

Mrs. Marcum: "Relax at home with my family."

Mrs. Dick: "Read and make candy."

Mrs. Moore: "Be with my family and bake Christmas cookies"

Mrs. Cress: "Listen to holiday music, bake fun cookies, have no homework, and have fun."

Help Us Help Others

December Toy Drive

Attention Stonewall Families,

During this season of giving, our school is collecting items for the Mission of Hope. This non-profit organization needs donations of new toys, canned food, and/or children's clothing (especially sizes 12, 14 & 16) to distribute to needy families in Appalachia. There will be donation bins available in the front lobby until December 14. The bins will be placed in the front lobby on Thursday, December 1.



PTA Volunteer Opportunities

There are many ways you can get involved with the Stonewall PTA! We are looking to fill the vacancies listed below. If you are interested in any of these opportunities, please e-mail Jenn Crockett at jenn.crockett@yahoo.com. We look forward to hearing from you and finding ways for you to get involved.

Advocacy Committee- Are you an advocate for children, parents and education? If so, become a member of our advocacy committee. The committee will meet as needed to discuss ways for expanding advocacy within Stonewall and the school district.

Field Day Coordinator – Help Mrs. Noble coordinate Field Day. This event takes place in May.

Thank you!

Get Your Memory Books!

Pre-orders will be taken through January 30, 2012 for \$22 per book. The form is available on our website at www.stonewallpta.org/forms/.

More Chess Team News



On Saturday, November 12, 2011, five students from Stonewall Elementary competed in the Kentucky Chess Association Grade Level Championship Chess Tournament. Each student competed in five chess matches that day against other students across the state in their own grade level. The following students and their prizes are as follows:
 1st grade - Ralph Bright - tied for 1st in the unrated section
 2nd grade - Benjamin Bratten
 4th grade - Olivia Duffy, Emily Sparks - unrated trophy
 5th grade - JT Sparks - 8th place overall, and he also claimed the biggest upset of the day by winning against another student rated 652 points higher than him!

All chess tournaments are difficult. They are long days for students and they must be able to focus and strategize for five matches. This being a State Level Tournament brought out the strongest players in our state. I am proud of each of these students. They represented Stonewall well!
 --Joy Sparks, Chess Team Coach

December 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4	5 Day 3	6 Day 4	7 Day 5	8 Day 6	9 Day 1	10
11	12 Day 2	13 Day 3	14 Day 4 Toy Drive Ends	15 Day 5	16 Day 1	17 Winter Break Begins
18	19	20	21	22	23	24

Have a great Winter Break!

The Stonewall PTA helping parents, teachers and the environment. Please consider the environment before printing this newsletter.

If you have questions, please contact Stonewall PTA President Jennifer Crockett at jenn.crockett@yahoo.com.