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## NEWSLETTER

May 10th, 2021

- The Senior Trip is this Tuesday and Wednesday. We are excited to see our seniors participating in normal activities again.
- Class picture retakes will be this Thursday the 13th.
- NO SCHOOL for students this Friday the 14th. This is a regular training day for teachers.
- The mask mandate is still in effect for visitors that come to our campus but is optional only for students and employees of the district.
- It is the goal of the administration to get back to a more “normal” routine next year, but there may still be some safety restrictions that we will have to follow.
- There will be class pictures next week May 7th.
- **IMPORTANT NOTICE:** We would like everyone to know about the Individual Transportation Contracts that our district offers. Any family that lives more than three miles from a bus stop is eligible for mileage reimbursement. Contracts for the 2021-2022 school year are due June 1st and can be provided by Lisa Poe at the high school office.

**Upcoming Events:**

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- **Graduation:** Is scheduled for May 23rd at 2:00PM. We are anticipating holding graduation on the football field due to COVID. There is a possibility that the weather will force us to hold it in the high school gym.
  - **8th Grade BBQ:** We will hold an 8th grade awards assembly on May 27th at 10AM in the Jr High Gym. After the assembly the 8th graders will board a bus and head to Lake Como Beach for a BBQ.
  - **Senior Trip:** The Darby High School Senior Trip will be on May 11th and 12th to Fairmont Hot Springs.

### **Athletics:**

- Schedule
  - May 11 Softball in Hamilton - starts at 5:00pm
  - May 14 JH Track in Hamilton - starts at 9:00am
  - May 14/15 HS Tennis in Ronan/Mission - Divisional Tennis Tournament
  - May 14/15 HS Track in Missoula - District Track Meet
  - May 14/15 Softball in Butte - Butte Invitational Tournament
  - May 20/22 HS Tennis - State Tennis Meet
  - May 21/22 HS Track - Divisional Track Meet
  - May 27/29 HS Track - State Track Meet

### **Top Seniors**

Congratulations to this year's top academic seniors from Darby High School. The following 5 seniors will be featured in the Graduation Edition of the Ravalli Republic and Misoulian newspapers this month.

**Madison Conner**

**Joslyn Graham**

**Hayden Toynbee**

**Mitchell Duggan**

**Johnny Heiland**

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## 9-12 Students of the Month

Sierra Reed is the high school student of the month. She is known for her kindness to others and her high academic performance.

Tayton Erving is the high school distance learner of the month. He is being recognized for his outstanding academic performance.

## 5-8 Students of the week

Enoch Wilson is student of the week in the 6th grade. Enoch displays a positive attitude in class and when interacting with peers. He strives to do his best and is eager to learn.

Azul Wilson is student of the week in the 8th grade. Azul is a motivated, hard working student and a deep thinker. Azul always gives a wonderful effort towards her education.

## K-4 Student of the Week

Reagan Christopherson, Cooper Heiland, Rebecca Janis, and Tilly Riebling are the students of the week in the elementary school. They are being recognized for being Positive, Respectful, Responsible, and Safe.

## Counseling Corner:

### **Behavior Vocabulary:**

When we think of interventions or tactics to change a person's behavior we use lots of different tools that come with lots of different terminology. Here are a few phrases you might hear in regards to managing your child's behavior at school:

**Positive Reinforcement**- giving a "reward" when a behavior defined by the adult as desired occurs. **Example:** child doesn't talk for a class period and is then rewarded with an Ipad break.

**Negative Reinforcement**- this term is often misunderstood, it involves *taking away* something aversive or negative when the child engages in a desirable behavior. **Example:** a child shows good behavior and is allowed to not be grounded as long as planned.

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**Ignoring Behavior**- a direct power technique designed to reduce or extinguish inappropriate or undesirable behaviors. Example: A child is whining about doing work, the adult will ignore the whining and respond by saying “when you're ready to use your big-kid-voice I will talk with you”.

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