## **NEWAYGO MIDDLE SCHOOL** February 3, 2025

Good morning Newaygo Middle School,

Happy Birthday - None today Feb 2 - Audrina Ball, Triton Finkbeiner, & Noah Loomis

Keep up the good work - Lion Pride Cards!!

ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS - We're excited to offer you the option of staying indoors for recess during the winter months. To keep this privilege available, we need everyone to follow behavior expectations and maintain an appropriate indoor noise level (Level 3). Let's work together to make this a positive experience for everyone. Thank you for your cooperation!

The M-Step testing vocabulary words of the week are: Explain and Formulate. EXPLAIN means to make something clear and easy to understand by describing it, or giving more information about it.

FORMULATE means to develop all the details of a plan for doing something. Listen for your ELA teachers to talk about these words in class.

Reminder to check your school email daily.

Just a quick reminder about our cell phone policy to keep our learning environment focused and productive. Remember, you can use your phones during passing periods, breakfast, and lunch. But during class, please keep them in your lockers so we can all focus on learning together.

If you happen to use your phone during class, here's what happens:

- The first time, we'll hold your phone until the end of the day.
- The second time, same deal, to help you remember.
- The third time, a parent will need to pick it up or we'll hold it for 24 hours.
- More times could mean a parent pickup and possibly leaving the device at home.

Thanks for helping make Newaygo a great place to learn.

Just a couple more reminders about our dress code, walking down the hallway, and water bottles.

5th grade boys - come join the Total Trek Quest (TTQ) program!! It incorporates the physical training of a 5k. Flyers available in the office.

7th & 8th grade Baseball - separate from Little League - there will be a 3 day tryout, dates to be determined. Practices will be at the elementary school gym beginning on Thurs. Feb 6th (5-7pm) and Sat. Feb 8th (9-11am)

There is no fee for participation aside from player uniforms and equipment. DH will be played on Saturdays.

Look for flyers.

Donuts and hot chocolate Friday – 7th and 8th graders

We will be having a Valentine's Day dance and fun night next Friday, February 7th! Check out the posters that are hung up around the school for more information!

## Students of the week:

- 5 Brentley Foster
- 6 Jasmin Winks
- 7 Madison Butler
- 8 Elizabeth Labelle

"No matter what the level of ability, you have more potential than you can ever develop in a lifetime." ~ James T. McCay

Now if you would please, stand, placing your hand over your heart, and join <u>your class</u> in saying our Pledge of Allegiance.....Have a great day Lions!