

Junior Tiger Times

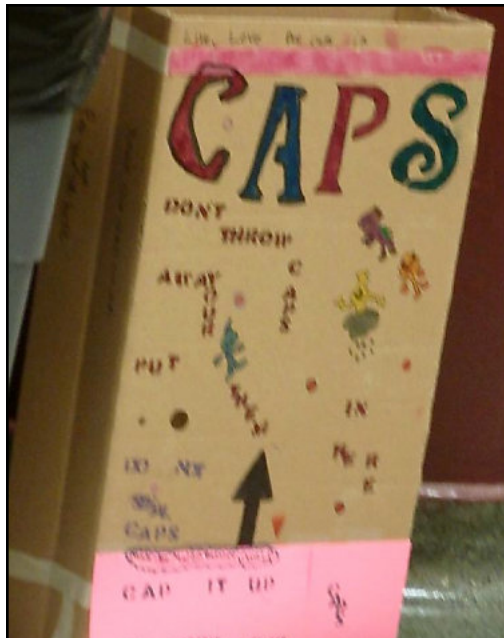
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Collecting Lids for a Good Cause

By: Chase L.P

Dupo Junior High is collecting lids to make a bench. We need 400 pounds of lids, or approximately ten trash bags. The bench will go somewhere in our community. A parent made this idea about collecting lids. The bench cost about \$225. This program started a few months ago. The Green Tree Plastic Company told us to get only plastic lids. We will stop collecting when we have enough lids.



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PARCC Test

By: Tyler Zack



The PARCC test is almost here and we need to get ready. Mrs. Corbin is one of the test administrators for the PARCC test in 7th grade. Did you know that some teachers actually like giving the test so they can catch up on grading? The PARCC test starts April 4th and ends April 6th. Mrs. Corbin said that her least favorite thing about the PARCC test was, “Listening to students complain.” Students are given this test to compare their scores with other students from other states and to show our federal government how much the students have learned each year. When the students take the test they will go to a computer lab and take it on a computer. Mrs. Corbin said that students can bring snacks and headphones.

Science Olympiad

By: Dakota Pollard

Science Olympiad consists of 23 events that are broken up into five areas of science, such as life science and earth science. The person that started it was Dr. Gerard J. Putz in 1982. The Dupo Science Olympiad team has 11 members in the junior high. Science Olympiad started in October, continuing to the regional events in February and March. The state competition will be held in April in Champaign, IL. Science Olympiad allows students to explore areas of science they never studied before. At the end of the year party they had pizza, chips, and drinks. The students had fun at the competition. The 2 junior high kids are looking forward to the competition again next year.



Track

By: Keevion Swims

The motto for this years track team is “Run Fast, Turn Left!” Coach Carpenter, the head junior high coach, has been coaching track for ten years. He said, “A big thing you will hear in tack is a P.R., which is a personal record. If you set your P.R. that means you're getting better.” The coaches decided this year to not have six graders on the team.



Coach Acra, who is the head high school coach, said, “Everyone who works hard is a track star.” Track ends the first week of May and there are a total of three home meets. Practices are after school Monday through Friday. Coach Acra added, “Learn to enjoy the track program and look forward to high school track. Everyone can do anything if they work hard at it.”

Track Athlete

By: Zoe Noffsinger



One of the track athletes is Lawrence Almefleh. He just started running track this season, along with cross country. Lawrence runs in the 400 and 800 meter dash events. His favorite event to run in is the 400 meter relay. “Track can help you stay fit and also help you if you have depression,” Lawrence says. Since last September, Lawrence started getting into running. He is both a sprinter and a distance runner. Running is not the only sport Lawrence plays, he’s also into basketball.



Girls on Track

By: Abbi Kenner



If you like to run then you should join Girls on Track. Girls on Track started February 28. They practice on Tuesdays and Thursdays after school. If you would like to join Girls on Track it only cost 25 dollars. There are 12 girls on the team. Girls on Track practices for the 5k they will be running in downtown St. Louis.

Girls on Track is a ten week program. This is Ms. Winter's 5th season and Ms. Puckett's 2nd season. Ms. Winter said, "I am the site liaison, Ms. Kinder is the head coach, and Ms. Puckett is a running partner." Ms. Winter also said it is a lot of fun and anyone can run the 5k at the end of the year.

Volleyball Season Ends

By: Anyia Johnson

Dupo girls volleyball season just ended on March 13th. Coach Corbin said, "The 8th grade team did the best working together. Overall they improved this year." This year they had 29 players on the team, their best game was the 8th graders against Millstadt. Overall they won about 15 games this year! In the regional game they played Wolf Branch, but sadly they did not win. Coach Corbin added, "We have many great athletes in the junior high, and once they learn how to focus on sports then they'll be able to do great things."

