



PREP SCHOOL WEEKLY REPORT

SCHOOL YEAR 2019-20

Week 20 ~ 10 January 2020

Students: 726

3 rd = 39	6 th = 92	9 th = 97
4 th = 52	7 th = 84	10 th = 70
5 th = 57	8 th = 98	11 th = 82
		12 th = 55

Faculty/Staff: 67

Full Time Faculty = 54
Part Time Faculty = 4
Staff = 9

WW I Tribute – This week we were honored to help pay tribute to three African-American soldiers from Baldwin County who died during World War I. GMC Prep School, in partnership with Shiloh Baptist Church, remembered these veterans 100 years after a marker was placed in front of the church in 1920. Our Middle School Cadets and Middle School Color Guard participated in the tribute at the church in Harrisburg and our Middle School Cadet Battalion Commander helped place a wreath at the marker along with LTG William Caldwell, Mayor Mary Parham-Copelan, and Mr. George Hogan. We were truly honored to be asked to help remember and express our gratitude for these great Americans.

100 Wins!! – Coach Shawn Dennis reached a coaching milestone last Saturday as he earned his 100th career victory as a head coach with a victory over Warren County. Please join us in congratulating Shawn and we look forward to his next 100 wins!!

Baseball Signing – Congratulations to Justin Alford (12th) who signed on Wednesday to continue his baseball career at Covenant College in Lookout Mountain. Justin has been a four year starter on the baseball team earning a number of region honors. We are extremely proud of Justin and excited to follow him as he moves to the collegiate baseball level.

Jimmy Dyess Symposium – Several of our key 2nd Battalion cadet leaders traveled to Augusta on Thursday to attend the 10th annual Jimmie Dyess Symposium hosted by the Augusta Museum of History. The symposium is named in honor of Dyess who is the only person to have earned America’s two highest awards for heroism - the Medal of Honor and the Carnegie Medal. Our cadets toured the museum and witnessed the newest inductions into the museum of history. In addition, they met with MG (Ret) Perry Smith, the founder of the Dyess Symposium, and MG (Ret) James Livingston, a Medal of Honor recipient.

Invite to Junior Olympics Qualifier Match – We are extremely proud of Stella Glover (11th) and Colin Haskins (11th) who were both invited to compete in the Georgia State Qualifier for the Junior Olympics. This was their first time competing at this level in a 60 shot standing match and both shooters did well while representing GMC in fine fashion!

Budding Geologists – Aimee Lundy's 6th grade Science classes began their Geology unit this week by learning how geologists are able to study the Earth. They learned the technique of core sampling through cupcake geology! The students took core samples of their cupcake and made predictions of what the cupcake looked like on the inside. To close out the lesson, students cut

open the cupcake to see if their predictions were correct. Of course, the final step was to enjoy a sampling of this delicious treat!!

Calculus and Creativity – AP Calculus students in Alicia Rochon’s class completed a tissue box project this week. This project was designed as a review of the concepts they studied during Semester 1. The four sides represented Derivatives from a Table, Composite Functions, Particle Motion, and Polynomial Function. Students were given guidelines for each side, created their own functions using a restrictive set of rules, and solved the problems. They were also encouraged to decorate the box using school colors. The projects demonstrated high levels of math knowledge and creatively designed themes. Final projects included two miniature models of the Old Capital Building, a school spirit theme with the Bulldog Mascot, and a representation of GMC activities including aviation rides, the American flag, the Bulldog Mascot, and the ACU camouflage print.

Museum of Aviation – Our 5th grade students had an awesome time during Wednesday’s visit to the Museum of Aviation in Warner Robins. Students toured several areas of the museum and many exhibits served as an introduction to their next Social Studies unit of study – World War II. They were excited to have the opportunity to sit in the cockpit of an F15 fighter jet and the cargo area of a C130. Another part of the day focused on STEM activities related to electricity and circuits which led to some amazing discovery learning about how all the components of a circuit work together.

4-H Ornament Winner – Congratulations to the 2019 Baldwin County 4-H Ornament Contest Winner – our own Maddie Elder (4th grade). In December, 4-H sponsored an ornament contest for all students in 4th grade with the requirement that all ornaments be made from items found around the house. Maddie made her snowman ornament out of a lightbulb and a small box. We are proud of Maddie’s art talent and her creativity!!

LOOKING AHEAD. . .

Frozen Jr. – The Middle School Theatre Program will present *Frozen, Jr.* in The Goldstein Center for the Performing Arts Thursday thru Saturday, January 23 – 25. Over 90 middle school cast members have been hard at work since August on this magical show. Tickets can still be purchased online for all shows at www.GMCTickets.Booktix.com. Show times are 7pm Thursday through Saturday and a matinee at 2pm on Saturday. Get your tickets before the shows sell out!!

GMC Auction – The 12th annual GMC auction will be held on March 7 in the Kidd Center on the campus of GMC. The auction will continue with the Casino night theme along with both silent and live auctions. Tickets will go on sale next week.