

**CAWLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL  
PRINCIPAL'S REPORT  
"Make a Mark, Make A Difference:  
2017 New Hampshire Middle School of the Year  
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**School Counseling/Health Resources**

Parents and students are encouraged to access the school counselors' websites for resources. Ms. Mulligan and Mrs. Maguire have developed a myriad of town, Merrimack County, state and national resources posted that will support families. In addition, please check out Ms. Lander's website to read articles and view videos about current health issues that relate to middle school students.

**Title I Update**

During the month of February, the Title I Coordinator and tutors will reassess the needs of the learners currently participating in Title I services. After winter NWEA testing is completed a reevaluation of all students will occur to determine if additional students qualify for Title I services. Report grades, competencies and teacher input will also be used to determine eligibility. The Title I team continues to work diligently to provide personalized support to enable students to grow in their relative areas of weakness and build their overall comfort and confidence in the areas of mathematics and reading.

**Unified Sports**

Cawley is currently participating in their fourth year of unified sports. There are 30 students with and without disabilities participating in weekly practices focusing on skill development, sport specific rules, and physical fitness in the sport of basketball. These student athletes are having a great time developing new relationships and learning from each other at every practice. The first basketball competition will be on February 1, at Cawley Middle School and the team will travel to Rundlett Middle School on February 8.

**Builders Club**

The Cawley Builders Club provided a helping hand at the Countdown to Noon Party that was held at the Hooksett Public Library on December 31. Eight members signed up to volunteer at the first Hooksett Kiwanis Winter Carnival Saturday, January 26. Planning has begun in preparation for the third annual Lip Sync Battle, on February 6.

**Athletics**

The boys' basketball team finished the regular season in 3rd place with a 10-2 record. At press time the boys beat Litchfield in the quarterfinals and will play the in the semifinals for the second year in a row. The girls' basketball team finished the regular season 7-5 and defeated Hampstead to earn a trip to the semifinals. The cheer team had their first competition on January 28, in Hudson to tune up for the

Tri-County finals on February 9. Co-ed volleyball will start after school with a meeting in the gym from 2:45 pm - 4:30 pm on February 4.

**Performing Arts**

This month students in the Cawley Music Department are hard at work learning their new music for the upcoming Large Group Festival in March. Large Group is a performance where band and chorus students travel to another school and perform rehearsed pieces for professional judges. The performance will be graded on a strict criterion.

Rehearsals have begun for Disney's Beauty and the Beast Jr. and the eighth graders are looking forward to bringing this story to life on April 4 and 5.

**Upcoming Key Dates to Note at Cawley:**

January 28 – Feb 11:	Student Council Magazine Drive
February 6:	Builders Club Lip Sync Battle, 6:30 pm
February 15:	PTA Dance, 6:30 – 9:00 pm
February 22 – March 1:	February Vacation

Respectfully Submitted,



Matthew Benson, Principal