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The week of October 5-9 the MS participated in an Anti-Bullying Week. This coincided with our Spirit Week which was also held during this time. Each day of the week there was different theme that combined both of those elements. We had a very high participation rate in these themes each day. Listed below were the activities each day. The week was also concluded with a Pep Rally at the end of the school day on Thursday.

Oct. 5 - KC Royals (wear blue)“Help our boys in BLUE strike out bullying”

Oct. 6 - Team Tuesday (wear your favorite team apparel)“Team up against bullying”

Oct. 7 - Pajama Day “Put bullying to sleep”

Oct. 8 - Eagle Pride “Bully free is the Eagle way to be”

Oct. 9 - Marvel vs. Disney (superhero day)“Fight against Bullying”

The M.S. will be involved in ACT Aspire testing on Oct. 27-29 & Nov. 3-4. We will be testing our students in the subjects of Reading, Math, Science, and English & Writing. These tests will give us important data on student knowledge & application in order to identify strengths, weaknesses and areas of improvement in order to guide our instruction & curriculum.

Our M.S. Fall athletic teams have all completed their seasons and had strong showings to finish out the seasons. The CC team recently competed in the Pioneer League meet in Iola. The Eagle runners finished with 2 Medalists (1<sup>st</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>) & 4 other runners placed. The 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade VB teams competed in the League Tournament in Osawatomie. The 8<sup>th</sup> Grade team finished 3<sup>rd</sup> and the 7<sup>th</sup> Team finished 4<sup>th</sup>. Both the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade Football teams won their Bowl games. The 7<sup>th</sup> grade defeated Santa Fe Trail and the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade defeated Burlington. All of the Fall athletic teams will wrap up their season by checking in uniforms and having a Nacho Party at school.

On Wednesday October 14<sup>th</sup> the MS attended an assembly featuring a group of Polynesian men who specialize in feats of strength & a positive life message. The MS students enjoyed their performance and gained insight through their message.

MS Girls Basketball practices are underway. Their first game is Thursday, Oct. 22 @ Prairie View. MS Wrestling held their first practice of the season on October 20<sup>th</sup>.

The MS has a Red Ribbon Week activity planned for Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup>. Red Ribbon week is a drug & alcohol awareness week. We are having the Franklin County K9 Unit do a presentation to our students involving their drug dogs.

Important Upcoming Dates:

- October 22<sup>nd</sup>: MS Girls BB @ Prairie View
- October 27<sup>th</sup>: MS Girls BB vs. Central Heights
- October 29<sup>th</sup>: Picture Retakes
- November 4<sup>th</sup>: Sports Team Pictures for Girls BB & WR
- November 5<sup>th</sup>: MS WR @ Burlington