Dear Parents,

We’ve had a great first week of school. Mrs. McNeese has been helping our third, fourth, fifth, and sixth graders master their swimming skills. Mrs. McIntosh has been sharing her skull collection with students, and Mrs. McAdams has been getting the students active in music classes. Our Reading and Language Arts and Content Practicum students started observing classrooms on Wednesday and will start working with students next week. The preschool and kindergarten playground is under construction and will be phenomenal when complete.

In the next two weeks, Mrs. Shields will be conducting an Aimsweb screening that uses brief, valid, and reliable measures of reading and math performance for grades K-6. The screening helps identify risk factors and enables us to provide effective interventions and set achievable goals with students. Once completed, you will receive a letter explaining the process and showing your child’s screening results and our plan of action for your child.

The teachers participated in a training session for the Leadership Challenge before school started and will continue to learn more about the practices and principles. The Leadership Challenge encourages us to focus on five practices that help us become exemplary leaders. The first practice is MODEL THE WAY.

- Show others what we believe by our own actions
- Find our own voice and do what we say
- Connect what we say with what we do

We have little signs in classrooms and throughout the building that remind us to MODEL THE WAY.

**Don’t Just Talk about It, Be About It**

It is an exciting time at Horace Mann Laboratory School. Thanks for sharing your children with us!

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**Breakfast of Champions**

**Wednesday, October 1, 2014**

J. W. Jones Ballroom (3rd floor)
7:30-8:30 a.m.

Horace Mann and Leet Center families are invited to have breakfast with members of the NWMSU Bearcat Football team, take photos, and have fun
Are you ready for some Bearcat football?

We will be helping with trash pickup at the Bearcat Football games and we need your help. We are asking for anyone that can help for the first game to meet at the north scoreboard area towards the end of the game. The rest of the games are divided between grades. This is a great opportunity for us to provide a community service and receive compensation for our work.

The first game is Thursday, September 4. We will gather at the north end of the stadium (where the old scoreboard was located) towards the end of the game. Plastic gloves and trash bags will be provided. Once the game is over, we will pick up trash on the visitor side: bleachers outside the chain link fence, band area, and visitor sideline.

Please email sseipel@nwmissouri.edu or call 562-1233 to let us know if you can help-thanks!

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Adult $3.90
Extra Milk $.50

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