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Re: October News—Middle School

Dear Parents/Guardians:

October has arrived with a “splash” and I’m pleased to report that we have not let all the rain dampen our progress at the middle school. Our students are improving both academically as well as athletically. As both volleyball and football seasons begin to wind down, I wanted to note how very proud I am of the positive way in which our students have represented our school both in the classroom and on the athletic surface. Additionally, we thank you for your support at the middle school events, both home and away games, continue to have a great following of positive support. Congratulation to everyone for encouraging our youth with your continued involvement!

The Tom Bean Middle School Band program has been hard at work in its first nine weeks. The beginning students have been learning the details and fundamentals of music, rhythm, and their instruments. The Advanced (7th/8th grade) Band has done a great job this fall as they have performed wonderfully at all of our pep-rallies.

In recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month you may have noticed a lot of “pink” at the middle school this October. Staff and students have been wearing pink and are contributing to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. Additionally, we will be educating our students about the dangers of drugs during Red Ribbon Week this month. The middle school students are gearing up to support Red Ribbon Week and are looking forward to listening to a guest speakers as they discuss the dangers of being involved with drugs.

Our students are working to make a difference in the community as they are about to begin a competition with Whitewright, Howe and Bells. The SADD Club members are encouraging all students, staff, and community members to donate can foods for the annual food drive competition. The donations will be taken to local food banks. We are very proud of our students for taking an active leadership roll in our community. Go Tomcats!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your support during our fist six weeks of school. We are thankful for your communication and involvement in your child’s school endeavors. We want to encourage you to stay in contact with your child’s teachers regarding their academic performance and we encourage you to arrange for tutoring for your child in the event that you see a need for accelerated instruction in a particular area. Our staff members can be reached by contacting the school at (903) 546-6161.

Let us make 2009-2010 our best year yet!

Sincerely,

Dewitt Smith, Principal
Tom Bean Middle School
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