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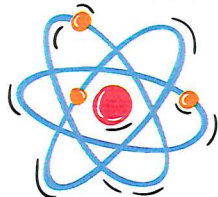
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January

2025 - 2026 SCHOOL YEAR

**TEACHER OF THE MONTH***The votes are in ....*

Mr. Ludwig has been chosen as January's Teacher of the Month. He currently teaches 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade Science. He took over teaching Science after Mrs. Koonce left the district last school year. He was formerly our Computer/STEM teacher. This is his 5<sup>th</sup> year teaching at CAM Middle School. He grew up in the area and graduated from Central A&M. Kids often say he is "Understanding", "Cool", and "helps all his students when needed".

**Bond Teacher of the Month is...**

Mrs. Kaitlin Jacobs  
She is a first grade teacher at Bond Primary School. She goes above and beyond for her students. She is hard working and brings positive energy to our staff.

**Fun Fact:***By Autumn L.*

Daddy Long Legs, contrary to popular belief, are not spiders! They have only one fused body segment and they don't have the ability to produce silk webs, so they cannot be classified as a spider. Instead, they belong to a group of arachnids called Harvestmen. Harvestmen are actually more closely related to scorpions and mites rather than spiders. So next time you see a Daddy Long Legs, don't call it a spider!



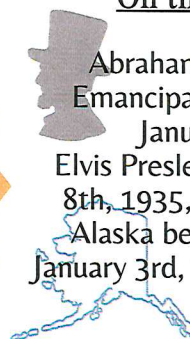
What did the thief get for stealing a calendar?

*syuouu 71***Upcoming Events:**

January  
1<sup>st</sup> - New Year's Day  
2<sup>nd</sup> - No School  
5th Teachers Institute - No School

**On this day in History**

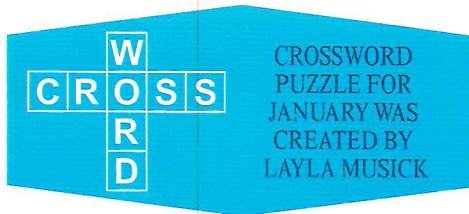
Abraham Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation on January 1st of 1863.  
Elvis Presley was born on January 8th, 1935, in Tupelo Mississippi.  
Alaska became a U.S. State on January 3rd, 1959, becoming the 49<sup>th</sup> state.

**PET OF THE MONTH**

Meet Chopper  
(belongs to Lauren Hennings.)  
Dogs are a kid's best friend!

**Maestro Minute***Written by Nadia Younker*

Raleigh Shuck sees choir as a hobby and a way to express her emotions. She loves choir because it's not competitive, unlike many sports. She has also made many friends and sees it as a good developmental tool. Raleigh doesn't see a career in choir, but enjoys it as a hobby.

**The Athletic Zone****Volleyball Home Games:**

1/6/26 v Sangamon Valley  
1/20/26 v Sullivan  
1/26/26 v Shelbyville  
1/29/26 v Warrensburg/Latham



1/19/26-1/22/26 8th grade  
Boy's Basketball Vandalia Tournament

**SPECIAL DELIVERY**

Newsletter Staff will be offering Special Delivery messages for Valentine's Day. Sales will start on February 2<sup>nd</sup>. Valentine Messages will be accompanied by a treat for \$1. Please see a Newsletter Staff member or pick up a form in the office during your lunch/recess or study hall. Special Delivery Valentine's will be delivered on February 10th.



2026

**Yearbook Orders!**

It's time to order your middle school yearbook!

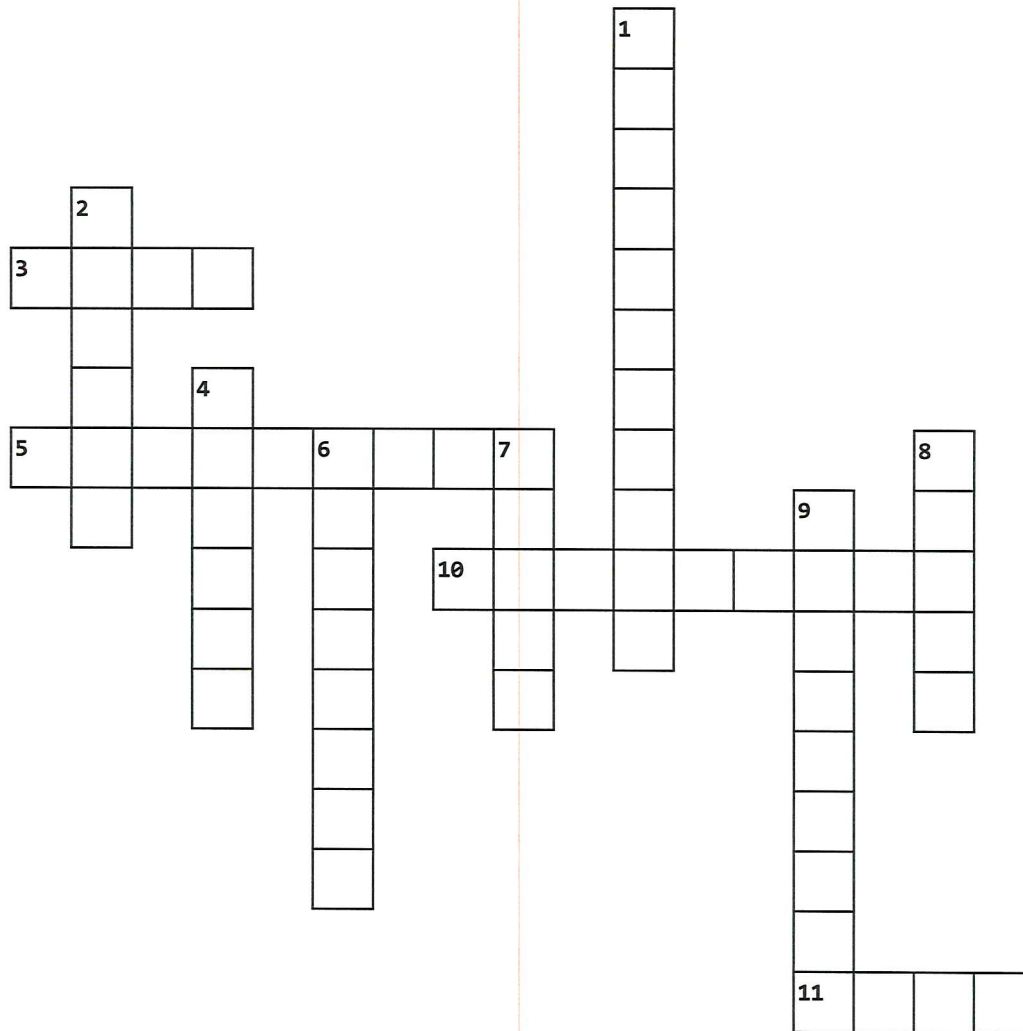
**Follow this link:**

**<https://inter-state.com/order>**  
**and enter the code: 0352SQ**

Yearbooks are \$22 and will be delivered before the end of the school year.

**The deadline to order is March 13, 2026.**

# January Crossword



## Across

- 3.** a thing that drops once it hits new years
- 5.** another word for start.
- 10.** January Flower
- 11.** comes from the sky

## Down

- 1.** a new years tradition
- 2.** January stone
- 4.** season
- 6.** yearly Holiday starting with january
- 7.** another word for dreams you work for
- 8.** January is named after a Roman God
- 9.** normally shot up on holidays