## GURRIE MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT BULLETIN Monday, September 25, 2023

HOT LUNCH:Chicken SandwichBIRTHDAYS:No birthdays today

1. The cross country team competed in the Wildcat Invite at Lewis University this weekend. Gurrie performed well in all four races despite the heat, rolling hills, and thick grass. The girls varsity race kicked off the day and we were led by Abbey O'Toole's 11th place overall finish in 13:17. She earned a medal for the gutsy performance. Our scorers included Hannah Boeckmann, Vivian Comes, Cate Riberto and Eleanor Meuer in 35th, 38th, 42nd, and 50th. The strong team performance was only 40 points out of second place. In the Open Race Gurrie was led by 7th grader Charlotte Cannizzaro's impressive 12th place overall finish in 14:36. It was her best race of the year and she earned a medal for the performance, as well.

The boys team repeated as Wildcat Invite Champs with a hard-fought race. We tied 4A power house Troy Middle School with 56 points; ties go the 6th runner and Gurrie won that tiebreaker thanks to Declan Driscoll and Alex Meller edging out Troy's 6th runner. Brennan Monohan and Ian Collins continue to lead the way with 4th and 5th overall finishes. Nolan Callahan was close behind in 9th and Cruz Villarreal in 15th. All runners medaled for those finishes. Christian Torres rounded out Gurrie's scoring in 22nd place. It was a true test for Gurrie and we toughed out the win. The Open Race was also Gurrie-heavy with Sal Alvarado running his best race of the year with a 4th place overall finish. Will Potter (13th) and Jesse Nunez (15th) earned medals, as well, with Charlie Peto on their heels in 16th.

Congratulations to all runners for fighting through a tough course and conditions to make Gurrie proud. We race at Spring Rock this Thursday and will compete in the Bengal Invite this Saturday in our final tune-up before the IESA Sectional Championships. Hydrate, ice, stretch, and do your homework...it's going to be an awesome week!