

Congratulations to the 4th Grade Basketball Team as they finished as the Consolation Bracket Champions at the Auburndale Basketball Tournament on February 13th!



First Row Tanner Cook #2, Ramsey Pankratz #5, Ty Cook#32, Jaret Herring #1 **Back Row** Coach Joe Freiboth, John Birnbaum #35, Cody York #50, Austin Freiboth #4, Oliver Barnes #51 and Coach Joel Herring.
Team members not at the tournament: Ahijah Ford and Bradley Check.

The 4th Grade Team played in their very first game of the year in the Auburndale Tournament on Saturday morning. They battled to a first half deficit (5-2) against the eventual tournament champions Marshfield Tigers Orange Team. The game ended up 14-4 and dropped the Mosinee Indians to the consolation bracket. It was a great showing for the first game ever played by this 4th grade team as the Marshfield Tigers went on to score 30+ points in the rest of their games and were crowned the tournament champions.

Mosinee's second game was against Stratford. Great defense, disciplined offense and a good dose of fast breaks led to getting their first victory under their belt beating Stratford 16-4.

Mosinee's third game was against a stubborn Abbottsford team that jumped out to an early 7-2 lead. Mosinee charged back in the first half taking the lead 8-7 but found themselves down at halftime 11-8. Mosinee started the second half with a couple of quick baskets regaining the lead at 12-11. The lead continued to change hands thru the second half with Mosinee gaining a 16-13 advantage and managed to close out the victory with a 17-15 win. Great rebounding sealed the game for the Mosinee Indians.

Marshfield Tiger Black Team was the opponent in the consolation championship game. The Mosinee 4th graders pulled all the experience from the first three games together 28 to 18 victory. An early 8-2 Mosinee lead was erased by Marshfield knotting up the score 8-8. By halftime Mosinee was back on top by a score of 12-8. Thru out the second half Mosinee was able to retained the lead but several times Marshfield closed the gap down to 2 points. Mosinee pulled away near the end of the game with a 28-18 victory.

We also want to thank Coach Bruess and Guy Otte for allowing the 4th graders to have an inter-squad scrimmage during halftime of the Northland Pines Varsity Basketball Game on Friday February 12th. Congratulations to the Varsity team on the victory and to the seniors as they were honored on senior's night.

The Mosinee 4th Grade Team will be scrimmaging Stratford on Saturday February 20th.

Coach Joel Herring

