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Newsletter - April 2014

Principal News

Dear Danville Families,

Our students continue to work to make us proud. Our Destination Imagination Team placed second in the Regional competition. We had several prizewinners at the Annual Young Inventors' Conference in Penacook. We appreciate the support you give your children to help them appreciate and value their education. They are our future!

This is a reminder that food is not allowed on buses due to students with food allergies. The only exception would be for medical reasons. In the same respect we ask that students not open any scented items on the bus as we do have students with sensitivity to smells. This would include perfumes, colognes, and hand sanitizer. Thank you in advance for reminding your children about this policy.

Soon we hope it will be warmer weather outside! With warmer weather comes a change in apparel. Please remember we ask students to wear proper footwear for safety purposes. Students should be wearing shoes with a back strap. Flip flops are not allowed. They are easy to walk out of and do not offer the foot support needed. Shoes with raised heels are not allowed. Please help your child make good decisions when choosing school clothing. If students are in school wearing clothing that is not appropriate, they will be asked to call home for a change of clothing or offered an alternative item of clothing.

Effective April 14, 2014, the on-line transaction fee of \$1.75, formerly paid by the Timberlane School District for deposits into the MySchoolBucks.com lunch accounts, will be charged to the depositor. Please be aware this fee plus your deposit amount will be charged to you. If you have any questions, please contact me.

The Got Books bin near the dumpsters in the bus turn around will be removed soon. This was a fundraiser for the PTA beginning a few years ago. The company has gone out of business. Unfortunately it was not a financial success as a book collection program.

Best, Nancy Barcelos

Assistant Principal News

The Timberlane School District continues its efforts to update curriculum in order to better meet the expectations of the Common Core State Standards. Teacher and administrator district wide work groups are meeting regularly to refine curriculum and to raise standards of performance.

Additionally, Danville Elementary School staff work in both large and small group committees and teams to refine our school based practices with tier support instruction, use of assessments, and planning for next school year. Teams continue to work on priorities that were established for this school year. Discussions are rich and the energy is high, always focused on what is best for our students. It is a pleasure to work with such a dedicated group of professionals.

Upcoming events include the NECAP Science testing that occurs annually each May in grade four, the Art Show and Academic Fair, the Father/Daughter Dance and many other activities. All done in the spirit of hard work and fun!

As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions regarding curriculum matters here at the school.

W. J. Pimley

Assistant Principal/Curriculum Coordinator

Nurses Notes

From Jean Parady, RN

A concussion is a traumatic brain injury that changes the way the brain normally works. It is caused by a bump, a blow or a jolt to the head. Concussions can also occur from a fall or blow to the body that cause the head and brain to move rapidly back and forth. After a head injury, it is important to check for *any* changes in your child's behavior, thinking or physical functioning. Look for one or more of the following symptoms:

- Any loss of consciousness, even a brief few seconds
- Appears confused about events
- Answers questions slowly
- Repeats questions
- Cannot recall events prior to or after the hit, bump or fall
- Behavior or personality changes

- Feeling sluggish or hazy or foggy
- Any physical symptoms such as headache, nausea, vomiting, balance problems or dizziness, fatigue, blurry or double vision, sensitivity to light or noise, numbness or tingling, emotional changes, or sleep pattern changes.

If you think your child has a concussion based on the above symptoms, contact his or her doctor or seek medical attention right away. A health care professional will be able to decide how serious a concussion is and when it is safe for your child to return to regular activities, including sports. All concussions are serious and the brain needs time to heal properly. A child who returns to play too soon is at greater risk for a repeat concussion. Repeat or later concussions can be very serious, causing permanent brain damage that can affect your child for a lifetime.

Enrichment News

State Invention Celebration News

The following students participated in the State Invention Celebration-Young Inventors' Program in Penacook, NH on Saturday, March 22, 2014. Grade 1:

- Keely Johnston with The Tie Shirt Holder
- Ayla Denton with Alarm Clock Pillow

Grade 2:

- Andrew Tsouprakakis with Wind Ejector
- Annabella Raymond with The Chore Dropper

Grade 3:

- Brady Marston with The Glove Timer
- Sara Martin with Automatic Weight and Feeder

Grade 4:

• Laura Hills with The Shoe Sorter

Grade 5:

- Elizabeth Amorelli with Go Go Glasses
- Grace Caldwell with Wheelchair Wheel Scrubber
- Hannah Collins with Treadersise

Two of our fifth grade students



received special awards. These special awards were given to Grace Caldwell for Wheelchair



Wheel Scrubber who received the Grade 5 Special Needs award for her creativity in solving a real world problem! This was a very special honor. Also Elizabeth Amorelli received 4 awards for her Go Go Glasses will help the blind see:

- Original and Unique-first place
- Medical -first place with a \$100 cash prize.
- Electrical-first place with a \$75 cash prize
- Fidelity Investments (only one award given) by the sponsors of the State Invention Convention-\$100 cash prize.

Again, Congratulations to all of our inventors.
Sincerely,
Mrs. Wood

A Day of the Arts-We Need Your Help!

Enrichment Day on May 30, 2014 at Danville Elementary Dear Parents and Guardians,

The Danville Enrichment Team is planning our next whole-school enrichment day with the theme of the arts. We are looking for people who would like to come in and share their interest for either 2 sessions in the morning, 2 sessions in the afternoon, or for all day (3-4 sessions). Each session lasts 45 minutes.

We have compiled a list of what "the arts" could include. We realize there are many, many more ideas out there. If you have a different interest or career that you would like to share that is part of "the arts" and is not listed, please let us know. If you know of someone in the community that might want to share something along our arts theme, please have them contact Cindy Wood at Cindy.Wood@timberlane.net.

Please see our list of possible arts ideas below. If you are interested, fill out the form and return it to the school **by April 4th**. Then one of the enrichment team members will contact you with more information.

Thank you for your consideration,

Ms. DeCost, Mrs. Kisiel, Mrs. Perreault, Mrs. Antonakos, Mr. Pimley, Mrs. Rice, and Mrs. Wood

Some Arts Specialties We are Looking For...

Advertising Design	Drama	Jewelry Maker	Rug Making
Architecture	Engraver	Knitting	Scrapbooking
Basket Weaving	Fashion Art	Model Building	Sculpture
Cake Decorating	Filmmaker	Make-up Artistry	Sewing
Candle Maker	Flower Arranging	Music	Silk Screening
Carving	Gardening	Painting	Stained Glass
Comic Strip Creator	Gymnastics	Photography	Designer
Crochet	Hairstyling	Picture framing	Toy Designer
Culinary Arts	Illustrator	Poetry	Writing
Dance	Interior Design	Puppetry	Your Own Idea

A Day of the Arts-We Need Your Help!

Please fill out this information and return this page to Mrs. Wood by April 4, 2014 if you are interested in presenting on May 30. Your Name ____I am a parent of a child in the school in grade(s) _____ or Please check one: _____I am a friend of the school or community member recommended by ______ I can be reached at (please print clearly): Email address Phone number I would like to come in and present a workshop on this arts topic: **Important note:** Workshops should include an explanation/demonstration of your art area and hands-on activities for the students. A teacher will be your host and assist you. I would prefer to work with the following grades: ____ K-2 (ages 6-8) ____ 3-5 (ages 8-11) K-2 and 3-5 (separate workshops for each age range) I would prefer to do my workshops in the: ____ morning (between 9:00-11:20 (2 workshop sessions) ____ in the afternoon between 12:45 and 3:00 (2 workshop sessions) ____ both morning and afternoon (3 to 4 sessions) _____ I have questions, please contact me first before I make a final commitment.

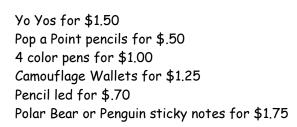
School Store

Our next school store will be open for grades 2-5 on Thursday, April 10. This will be the only school store in April.

School store will be open on the date above during each grade level's lunch recess time. Students are invited to come to see what is available to purchase.

Items range from \$.05 to \$4.00. <u>Students may not borrow money from others or ask for money from others</u>. Students are encouraged to purchase wisely and only buy if they find something they need. Generally students will not be allowed to spend over \$5.00 at the school store.

Some items for sale include:



Journals from \$2.00-\$2.50
Scented gel pens and pads for \$1.00
Folders (2 pocket) for \$1.00
Calculators for \$2.50*
Scented gel pens and pads for \$1.00*
Plus much, much more!





Physical Education

Hello Everyone!

March came in like a lion and left as one too! The numbers are in for our annual Jump Rope for Heart Fundraiser and we have set a new record! We were able to raise \$3,353.00 in less than five weeks of fundraising! I really want to thank all of the students and parents that made this event possible. We are doing a great service to those who have been affected by heart attacks or strokes.

We just finished our speed stacking unit and have moved into gymnastics. We will be flying into floor hockey and dance right before April vacation. Please continue to make sure that your son or daughter

brings sneakers to change into for P.E. class. This will keep our nice wooden gym floor in good shape as the spring moves along.

As always, if you have any comments or questions, feel free to email me and I will get back to you as soon as I can! I hope this note finds you happy and active!

-Patrick Ard

Danville P.E.

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READ ALOUD
with Mrs. Dube

The first graders crafted construction paper Spring robins at the beginning of March. Some are hanging on my classroom window; others were brought home to be hung in windows with the

hope they will bring sightings of real robins to town, indicating the true beginning of Spring! The students also learned to express an opinion, read a chart, and speak to a specific audience.

Second graders learned a little bit about themselves and their peers when they heard the story "The Treasure Tree". In this story, four friends - Lance the Lion, who always walks and talks like he's in charge, Chewy the Beaver, who always wants things just perfect, Honey the Golden Retriever, who has a caring heart and listening ears, and Giggles the Otter, who is silly and fun - have an adventure together. Ask your second grader which character they feel they are most like!

The third graders listened to poems about dreams for the future and wrote their own "Someday" poems, which I have put into a book for you to view in my classroom during the Academic Fair in April. Check out what the future holds for your student!

In fourth grade, the students learned some interesting information about the town they live in when we played "Danville-opoly", a game I created several years ago

for this purpose. Ask your child what they learned, and perhaps you will hear something YOU didn't know about your town!

Fifth graders learned and spoke to their peers about adaptive technology being created and offered to people who live with disabilities. They also listened to and discussed a creative writing piece with an unknown author, who wrote about a childhood spent discovering nature in the woods near her home. The students recounted and reminisced about their years at DES while brainstorming information for students who may be new to our school.

Ask your child what they did in Read Aloud...you may be surprised to hear about it!

Music Note

Mrs. Cook

Mark your calendars!

- -April 24th 3rd Grade Recorder concert at Academic Fair. See Danville Delivery for more information
- April 16th Concert for all 4th grade AND 1st year 5th grade band students, as well as all Chorus students