

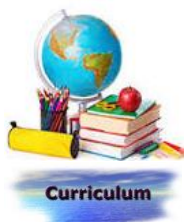


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Newsletter - January 2020



Assistant Principal News

Reminder



As we enter the new year, we have started to think about the many end-of-year events we have planned for our students. We'd like to remind parents that for most of our events, you are required to be a **Designated Volunteer**.

Some events that require you to have gone through this process are:

- Field trips
- Field day
- Enrichment days
- Lunch with your child in the cafeteria
- Working as a volunteer at many PTA events
- Danville Delivery volunteers
- All 5th grade school day celebrations, including the bike trip

- Popcorn
- Other

This process can take up to 6-8 weeks; please plan accordingly.

- Go to Applitrack through the online link on the school district website (www.applitrack.com/timberlane/onlineapp) to apply for the "Danville Elementary School Volunteer."
 - Please include **email addresses** for all references.
- Your application will be forwarded to the SAU once all three references are checked.
- Next, you will be contacted by the SAU to be fingerprinted.
- Upon final approval, someone from Danville Elementary School will contact you to have you sign our Confidentiality Agreement and begin volunteering.

Please note that if you have already been approved, your Designated Volunteer status is good for three years.



A Message from Nurse Sue:

All of us can benefit from some daily exercise in the fresh air. Our students are not sent out in the rain or severe weather conditions, but otherwise they will be going out for recess each day. Snow pants, boots, hats, gloves or mittens should be packed in addition to wearing a warm coat. Students that do not have snow pants or boots will be going outside, but they will refrain from playing in the snow. It is always a good idea to pack an extra pair of socks in your student's backpack for those "slushy" days.

Fire and safety reminders:

- * Test smoke detectors. If you did not change the batteries on November 1st, take a moment to do so now.
- * Make sure your carbon monoxide detectors are properly placed and working according to manufacturer's directions.
- * Make sure you have an escape plan with two ways out of every room.
- * Designate an outdoor meeting place.
- * Should an alarm sound GET OUT and STAY OUT. Close all doors behind you, and do not return for any reason.
- * Review use of 9-1-1 with your family members.



Library Media Center

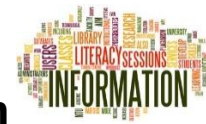


Book Fair

Thank you for all the support during our Fall Book Fair. We raised over \$1000.00 for school author visits, book clubs and other extracurricular activities offered by the library.

Bill Thomson is coming in May!
<http://www.billthomson.com/>

So many wonderful books were purchased and placed into the hands of children. It is wonderful to know how much support of reading is given to our students.



Class Research

As ALA defines it, information literacy is a set of abilities requiring individuals to "recognize when information is needed and have the ability to locate, evaluate, and use effectively the needed information." To be information literate, then, one needs skills not only in research but in critical thinking.

Information Literacy Lessons continue in the library. Students are learning to navigate the library as well as the resources they are using to conduct their research. We have wonderful learners here in Danville and our students work hard and are very proud of all they do. Thank you so much for the continued support you give to our children, each day.

Children’s Book Choice



“Each year, children from Kindergarten – 6th grade in five regions of the United States read newly-published children’s trade books and vote for the ones they like best. These Children’s Choices, selected from hundreds of titles, can be counted on as books children really enjoy reading.

Since 1974, Children’s Choices has been a trusted source of book recommendations used by teachers, booksellers, librarians, parents, caregivers — everyone who wishes to encourage young people to read for pleasure — and children themselves.

The project is co-sponsored by the CBC and the [International Literacy Association \(ILA\)](http://www.ila.org).”

This year, the Timberlane Regional School District was chosen to participate in this amazing opportunity. Our students in grades K-5 were exposed to newly fiction

and nonfiction books that have been published in 2019 and have been casting their votes for **what they have been reading**. Please click on the following link to explore past choices students have made from all over the country. It will be exciting to see the 2020 selections for the 2019 year. <https://www.cbcbooks.org/readers/reading-lists/best-of-lists/childrens-choices/>

Student Council News



Pennies for Patients

<https://www.penniesforpatients.org/>

Each year our school partners with The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS). The LLS Pennies for Patients program. Our **Student Council** will be supporting Pennies for Patients by collecting change from Danville Families. You will be receiving a notice and a collection box home soon. We appreciate all the help you can give.



Shoe Drive

Student Council is participating in a Shoe Drive to support fundraising goals for Mrs. DiBenedetto and Mrs. B. Chauvette from Sandown North. They are running the Chicago Marathon in October 2020. Their goal is to collect 7,500 pairs of shoes, and

the Danville Community Hawkes want to help! Please send in your gently used shoes. We can use shoes of all types and in all sizes! Boots, sneakers, sandals, Crocs, dress shoes etc. But no shoes with holes, please. Look in Danville Deliver for more information.

Deadline for donations is Tuesday, February 18th.



Beth Kisiel, LMS
Danville Elementary Library Media
Center



All About Art!

Dear Danville Families,

We are half way through the school year and we have been working harder than ever in the Art Room!

Kindergarten has been working on direct drawing instruction, following directions and the procedures for

cleaning up. They have been learning about working with many mediums such as oil pastels and chalk pastels.

First Grade worked with clay recently. They learned about clay vocabulary words such as slab, sculpture, score, glaze and firing, and kiln. They created some beautiful fish using certain clay techniques.

Second Grade is finishing up their paper mache penguins. They built these three dimensions works using recycled materials and paper mache paste. They are also learning about Still Life drawing and are using my childhood stuffed animals to do an observational drawing with.

Third Grade worked with clay recently as well. They reviewed clay vocabulary words such as slab, sculpture, score, glaze and firing, and kiln. They created an animal head of their choice. They are also working on Faux Felting for the first time. They have learned the process of using this unusual media to make an under the sea scene.

Fourth Graders are learning about the art of weaving and vocabulary words such as loom, warp and weft. They have also been learning about the components that go into creating a painted landscape. By combining these

two concepts, they are creating one piece of art.

Fifth Graders have begun planning their Tape People. They have been put in groups of three or four and are in the process of choosing the theme for their person.

Thank you as always for your support of the Visual Arts!

Artfully Yours,

Mrs. Rice 



Music Note

Ms. Soha

We had a fabulous winter concert! Congrats to everyone involved. I can't wait to share more music with you!

Mark your calendars!

March 16th 7pm Chorus Concert
(rehearsal at 6:30)

March 23rd and 24th Rehearsal &
Concert for all 5th grade Band students.

April 7th and 8th Rehearsal &
Concert for all 4th grade Band students

All events take place at the PAC
(Timberlane Performing Arts
Center). More information will be sent
home as the dates approach.



Physical Education

Hello Everyone!

Early January was all about basketball skills. Each class worked on dribbling, passing and shooting. Once we were finished, it was on to fitness stations for all grades.

We will be moving into our Jump Rope unit in the next couple of weeks and with that unit comes our Kids Heart Challenge program. We will be having an after-school event once again this year, so please be sure to check your Danville Delivery for the information that I will be sending home.

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 winter 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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Science Outreach Club (SOC)

Twenty of our grade 3 and 4 students have now participated in the afterschool Science Outreach Club which is run by Science Honors High School students. Many of these students are former Danville School graduates. SOC includes 4 one hour after school sessions. The amazing high schoolers come with activities and science concepts all prepared for our students to learn from and enjoy.

Our December session included making slime and learning what ingredients caused different changes in the texture of their slime mixture. The session this month (on January 14) included a taste test of ice-cream the students made themselves. They learned that when you add salt to ice it lowers the melting point and makes the ice much, much colder. This allowed for the half-n-half to turn into ice-cream. After that students made miniature air propelled rockets. The testing of the rockets was a sight to see.

Peter Pan-a full day Kindergarten to grade 5 field trip.

On Dec. 19 a majority of our school (staff and students) attended a play at the Stockbridge Theater. Peter Pan was a

delightful show full of imagination and creativity. We want to thank our wonderful PTA for helping to fund this community building field trip. It was a wonderful holiday gift to our students whose idea came from Mr. Shawley.

The Stockbridge Theater (part of Pinkerton Academy) has a beautiful theater that hosts a variety of shows open to the public. Check their website. There may be a family fun show coming up soon. Tickets are reasonably priced!





Literacy Specialist

The New Box Tops Program- Parents Please Read

(You can still send in Box Tops if they aren't expired)

How does the new program work?

At its core, the program structure and purpose remain the same – to help schools get what they need. The main difference is how you'll earn – instead of clipping, all Box Tops will be earned digitally via receipt scan.

You'll now download the new and improved, user-friendly Box Tops app, register and select a school, and then scan an eligible receipt containing Box Tops products. You'll earn 10 cents for each Box Tops product purchased plus extra earnings for any Bonus Box Tops opportunities. The app will automatically add Box Tops to your school's earnings online, giving visibility to see how you are supporting your school in real-time.



MORE CONVENIENT
Redeem anywhere, anytime
within 14 days of purchase



EASY TO USE
No more clipping or sending
Box Tops to school



REAL TIME
Your school's earnings are
automatically updated online



EXTRA CASH
Access special bonus offers
on top of your Box Tops
earnings