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Newsletter - June 2017



Principal's Pen

Dear Danville Families,

I wish you all a safe, happy summer vacation from school. Be sure to take time and reflect on the school year, setting goals for the upcoming year. Please assist your child in practicing school skills in fun ways. Writing letters, keeping a diary, reading daily, and playing math games will help to avoid the "summer slide" educators often refer to. Helping your child exercise their mind daily will allow them to come back to school in the fall ready to learn!

Be sure your summer fun includes spending time outside running, biking, swimming, and making choices using free time in creative ways. Children grow in so many ways; we need to be sure they have time to balance it all.

I offer a friendly reminder about the school dress code. Shoes should be firmly attached to the foot. Flip flops, backless shoes and shoes with heels should be avoided for safety reasons. These types of shoes are difficult to maneuver

on the playground and often cause trips and falls.

Students in grades PK-4 will be given a book to take home to read during the summer. Students can read on their own or be read to. Their teacher next year will plan some back to school activities around the books at the start of the school year. The theme for this year's books is Diversity. Please help your child to complete their summer reading assignment.

We are happy to be offering a Title One Summer Camp for those students who participated in Title One during the academic year. Camp will be held at Danville School during July. Paperwork must be returned to school before June 16.

The Danville School office will be open Monday-Thursday 8:30-3:00 during the summer months. Please call the office with any questions, 603.382.5554.

The first day of school for students is August 31. Classroom teacher letters will be mailed to students early in August. An open house will be held for students and their families to meet their teacher and classmates just before the opening of school.

Please note the Danville School Newsletter is published monthly and posted to the school website. If you prefer a paper copy, kindly notify the school office.

Have a great summer.

Nancy Barcelos



All About Art!

Dear Danville Families,

Let's take a look at what is happening in the art room....

Kindergarteners worked on their symmetry skills when designing some butterflies. They used their knowledge of line and shape to come up with some beautiful designs!

The First Graders learned a bit about Sea Turtles. They created one of their own and learned some new water coloring techniques to paint them in. Students learned two new color words which are Analogous and Intermediate Colors. They used this new found knowledge when painting.

The Second Graders are learning about still life paintings. They are doing an observational drawing of some of my childhood stuffed animals. They are practicing drawing exactly what they see. Once their illustration of the stuffed animal is completed, they are creating fantasy backgrounds surrounding them.

The Third Graders are finishing up their painting on King Tutankhamen. They did a wonderful job creating Egyptian Hieroglyphic writing around this Pharaoh. King Tut is painted in shimmery gold paint and blue to represent the solid gold and blue glass on the original death mask.

The Fourth Graders are beginning to create Marble Runs. This is a three dimensional group project that entails cooperation, craftsmanship and creativity!

The Fifth Graders just finished learning all about Printmaking. They carved linoleum blocks with a design of their choice. Then they printed their block using the necessary tools.

The Second Graders also took a wonderful trip to the Currier Art Museum. It was a great experience for everyone involved!

Thank you so much for your support of the Visual Arts!



Mrs. Rice



Science. Technology. Engineering. Art.
Mathematics. with Mrs. Dube

The Kindergarteners learned a little about clouds this month by creating a sky viewer they can use to determine which type of clouds are in the sky. They also

discovered what they already knew about beavers, and what they learned from a story and a quick lesson about the toothy little creatures.

Third, fourth, and fifth graders completed or nearly completed their zoo projects. Many of the students were able to follow all the guidelines set forth in the challenge and were successful in getting their projects accepted as a finalist for a zoo in the Town of Dubeville!



Music Note

Ms. Soha

Join Band or Strings! Parents of current 2nd, 3rd or 4th grade students: If your child is interested in learning to play an instrument NEXT YEAR, they must sign up NOW! There are NO fall sign ups. (If your child is already a band/string member, they will automatically be enrolled for next year.) Current 2nd graders are eligible for violin, viola or cello. Current 3rd graders are eligible for violin, viola, cello, flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone, percussion, French horn, oboe. Come to the Timberlane Performing Arts Center on ONE of the following days: Thursday June 1st at 5:00pm OR Saturday June 3rd at 8:00am OR Monday June 5th at 5:00pm. Please arrive on time for an informational meeting and plan to stay for 2 hours to let your child try 3 different instruments. Rentals will be offered if you do not already have an instrument that is in good working condition. This is a free event to help students decide which instrument to play. After you have signed up, there will be three lessons, held on June 12, 13, and 14 at

4pm or 6pm. Plan on attending one lesson each day. The lessons are offered at a reduced rate and will give your child the tools they need to begin learning songs over the summer. This is a wonderful opportunity to try a band or string instrument before you commit to an instrument. Come join the fun and enjoy beautiful music all summer long!

More information will be sent home at the end of May. Questions: Kathy Giacobbe, music dept. secretary 382-6541 X 3982



Physical Education

Hello Everyone!

Happy June! We are in the home stretch and as always we have so much left to accomplish! We have recently finished up our Whiffle Ball / Baseball / Softball unit and moved right into Capture the Flag with grades 3, 4 and 5.

Our younger students have been learning more team games such as "Astronauts and Aliens." It is great to get outside with a few classes as the weather has improved as well.

We still have Kickball and the last round of "Open Gyms" to accomplish before June 13th!

Please continue to make sure that your son or daughter brings sneakers to change into for P.E. class! Thank you for a great year and I look forward to seeing everyone again in the fall! I hope this note finds you happy and active!

-Patrick Ard
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