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## Danville Hawkes Soar for Success !

### Newsletter - March 2016



#### Principal's Pen

Dear Danville Families,

It feels as though spring is in the air! It has been an unusual winter weather wise. The one thing we can always count on in New England is that each year can be very different. I guess that is why people refer to New Englanders as hearty people. We can stand strong through it all!

Our school participated in Read Across America Week in February. This year-round program focuses on motivating children and teens to read through events, partnerships, and reading resources. We are very appreciative to have family support when trying to build enthusiasm for learning outside of the school day. To make it fun, we went with a frog theme to tie in with Leap Year. Participants got a frog eraser!

**"You're never too old, too wacky, too wild, to pick up a book and read with a child." Dr. Seuss**

We celebrated 100 days in school by writing and solving math problems using knowledge gained during the year. Some classes were serenaded by those who chose to celebrate with song. Our

children never cease to amaze us with their creative skills.

Please join Danville Finalists as well as students from schools across the state of NH at the annual PTA Reflections Celebration March 16 at the Gilbert H. Hood Middle School, Derry, NH from 6:00-8:00 PM. Let Your Imagination Fly was the theme for this year's creative entries. We are so pleased to have many students participate in this wonderful activity.

We are pleased to offer an Integrated Pre-School program to four year old students living in Danville. The program is Monday –Thursday and runs on the Danville School calendar. Please stop by or call the Danville School office for more information @ 382-5554 X 5300. We are hosting a parent informational night regarding the program. This evening meeting is planned for adults only and will acquaint parents with our school. Please join us March 9, at 6:30 PM. We will meet in the Pre-Kindergarten classroom.

Kindergarten Registration is still open. Please contact the school office if you have a child who will be 5 by September 30, 2016.

Happy spring.  
Nancy Barcelos



## Assistant Principal News

### **Mr. Shawley's Corner**

Dear Danville Families,

Welcome Back from February Vacation! I hope everyone is well rested and ready for our last trimester. Even though February was a short month, we had many educational activities happening.



On February 18th, Mr. Ard, our P.E. teacher, planned a great afternoon for our students. After school, the students enjoyed Jump Rope for Heart. They loved participating in the event which raised money for research for heart disease. The teachers and parents who chaperoned also had just as much fun as the students. During the event, our children practiced many different jump rope maneuvers and enjoyed interacting with their peers. Thank you to Mr. Ard for providing our students with this opportunity.



### **Blizzard Bags**

We had our first Blizzard Bag of the school year this past month. Thank you for your participation and hard work. The Blizzard Bag Program is an important educational tool! The Timberlane School District promotes learning outside of the walls of the classroom. Students have the opportunity to learn at home when weather conditions call for a "Snow Day" or any school closure.



March - April Grades 3 & 4

April-May Grades 5

Tips for Parents:

- Please have your child on time to school the day of the test. Make attendance a priority, especially on days that you know Smarter Balanced tests will be administered.
- Please have your child get a good sleep the night before the test. Studies show that students well rested before a test perform better.
- Please give your child enough time to wake up fully before going to school. Just as rest is important, so is having enough time to get your child's brain engaged and in gear.
- Please have your child eat a healthy breakfast the day of the test.



## READ ALOUD with Mrs. Dube

The kindergartners learned all about penguins in February! They experimented with the sizes of actual penguins and also tried to balance an egg on their feet like a daddy Emperor Penguin would.

February is Random Acts of Kindness month. The second graders enjoyed stories about kindness and completed a total of one hundred nineteen total acts of kindness, which we placed on the bulletin board for everyone to see.

The third graders learned the difference between being a boss and being a leader. They participated in several activities where they found that being bossy might lead to success, but will alienate the rest of the group in the process.

Fourth grade has been focusing on a chapter book called, "Because of Mr. Terupt". They have reached the point in the book where the actions of many contributed to a traumatic event for their teacher, leaving many to feel responsible for their part in the accident.

The fifth graders are listening to "Schooled", a chapter book about a child who was brought up on a commune and now

must attend middle school while his grandmother recuperates from a broken hip. The question has been posed: Just what makes an eighth grade student popular?



## Physical Education

Hello Everyone!

February was a busy month for sure! We had our annual Jump Rope for Heart after school event and almost tripled the number of students who attended. We have been doing a great job with fundraising money for the program as well! I will have the final tallies by the middle of March but all signs point toward a record year! I really want to thank all of the students and parents who made this event possible. We are doing a great service to those who have been affected by heart attacks or strokes.

We are beginning our speed stack unit this week and will be moving into gymnastics by the end of the month. 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  
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**Music Note**

Mrs. Cook

**Mark your calendars!**

March 16<sup>th</sup> 7pm Chorus Concert

March 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> Rehearsal & Concert for all 5<sup>th</sup> grade Band students.

April 13<sup>th</sup> 7pm Concert for all 4<sup>th</sup> grade Band students

All events take place at the PAC (Timberlane Performing Arts Center). Information has been sent in Danville Delivery.

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. Please remind your child that students are not allowed to share money, ask for money from others, or give their money away to someone else. Items are bagged and given to your child's classroom teacher for the child to take home that night.



Some items for sale include:

- Wallets for \$1.75 or less
- Fuzzy pencil pouches
- Pop a Point pencils for \$.50
- Pencils for \$.25 and \$.30
- Folders (2 pocket) for \$1.00
- locking diaries \$3.00
- 7mm Pencil led
- Koala pencil buddies
- Angry Bird 2 pocket folders \$1.50
- Plus much, much more!



**School Store**



**Future school store dates: April 14. If you are able to help at the school store please email Cindy Wood at [cindy.wood@timberlane.net](mailto:cindy.wood@timberlane.net). Thank you!**



Clip art from Microsoft Office/Bing search.

Our first school store will be open for grades 2 through 5 on Thursday, March 10. Our last school store for the year will be on April 14.



School store will be open on the dates 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. **Students may not borrow money from others or ask for money from others.** Students are encouraged to