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Danville Hawkes Soar for Success !

Newsletter - March 2017



Principal's Pen

“Innovation distinguishes between a leader and a follower” *Steve Jobs*

Dear Families,

I hope you have had a chance to discuss the Balloons Over Broadway parade with your child. Just before vacation, classes were tasked with creating balloons that appear to float. Their work was inspired by the story of an inventor who transformed puppets into balloons. The work of Anthony Sang was written about in a book by Melissa Sweet entitled, Balloons Over Broadway. Using the design process, students worked together to design and build their balloons. They faced some of the same challenges Sang faced. Students have worked on this project intermittently since October. The work was based on Next Generation Science Standards and New Hampshire Society for Technology and Engineering. The parade will be available for viewing on our website soon!

Registration for Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten is now open. PK students

attend school Monday-Thursday from 8:30-11:10. Half day Kindergarten students attend school Monday-Friday 8:30-11:10. Transportation to school is provided. Mid-day transportation must be provided by families. Full day Kindergarten students attend school Monday-Friday 8:30-3:10 and transportation is provided both ways. Students entering PK must be 4 years old by September 30. Kindergarten students must be 5 by September 30. We are holding a parent information night March 29th at 6:30pm in the school library. Please contact the school office at 382-5554 for more information.



Assistant Principal News

In reviewing a previously read book by Carol Dweck, and implementing

“Failure is an opportunity to grow”

GROWTH MINDSET

“I can learn to do anything I want”

“Challenges help me to grow”

“My effort and attitude determine my abilities”

“Feedback is constructive”

“I am inspired by the success of others”

“I like to try new things”

Responsive Classroom techniques this year, staff at Danville have been working to develop student's growth mindset. As we enter spring Smarter Balanced testing begins. This assessment is considerably longer than any student's experience through the year, but it is important the adults in their lives send a positive message about it. With growth mindsets in mind, focus your praise and encouragement on effort. In their study about praise Mueller & Dweck (1998) state,

"Praise for ability is commonly considered to have beneficial effects on motivation. Contrary to this popular belief, six studies demonstrated that praise for intelligence had more negative consequences for students' achievement motivation than praise for effort."

Carol Dweck and her colleagues have concluded that people with growth mindsets can increase their intelligence with effort. We want students to know their brain is like a muscle which will get stronger with increased mental effort. Encourage your child to take a mental break when they get tired, all students can pause the test for up to 20 minutes at any given time, and then get back

to their best work. We have faith in their ability to show what they know.



March begins our testing window for SBAC. A detailed schedule was included in the Danville Delivery before vacation, but please make note: Grade 4 testing 3/27-4/4, Grade 3 testing 4/3-4/11, and Grade 5 4/10-4/18. While attendance is always important, it is especially so during these testing windows. Please make sure students are well rested and encourage them to have a good breakfast at home or school. For more information visit the following link: <https://www.smarterbalanced.org/parents/>

Lucy Canotas

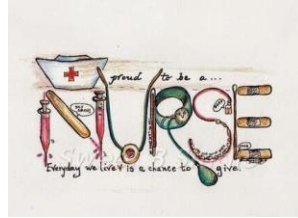


[A Message from Nurse Sue:](#)

When ruling out influenza (flu) like illness remember that:

- A fever is usually present.
- Body aches are usually present and more severe than with the common cold.

- Chills are common.
- Your child will complain of being very tired.
- Symptoms will usually present themselves much more quickly than with the common cold, which has a more gradual onset.
- There is usually a dry, non-productive cough.
- Headache is common.



➤ The most common symptoms are cramping, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.

➤ Less common symptoms include low-grade fevers, chills, headache, muscle aches, and fatigue.

- The virus spreads quickly. It can be found in the vomit and stool of infected people.
- You can get it by eating food or drinking liquids that are contaminated with the virus, touching surfaces or objects with the virus on them and then putting your hand or fingers in your mouth, or having direct contact with a person who is infected.
- Norovirus illness is not related to the flu.
- You can protect yourself and others by practicing good hand hygiene, not preparing food while being infected, cleaning and disinfecting surfaces, and washing laundry thoroughly (avoid shaking of the laundry which can spread the virus, wear disposable gloves when handling laundry, and washing the soiled items with detergent at the maximum cycle length, and machine drying).
- Your child should remain at home if any episodes of vomiting or diarrhea are occurring within 24 hours of the school day.

Please talk with your doctor if you are worried about your child's illness. Children at a higher risk of complications are children younger than five and children with chronic health conditions (i.e. asthma, diabetes, etc.).

If your child does have the flu your doctor will provide you with detailed instructions for treatment. Your child should stay home and rest, drinking plenty of fluids. Your child should not return to school until they are fever free for 24 hours **without** the use of fever-reducing medication such as Tylenol or ibuprofen. A fever is usually defined as 100F or higher. Pay close attention to good hand washing techniques, coughing into their sleeve or tissues, and the avoidance of touching the eyes, nose and mouth. You will want to clean and disinfect hard surfaces and objects that may have become contaminated. This would include counters, door knobs, faucet handles, toys, etc.

As with flu like illness you will want to speak with your doctor about instructions for treatment.

L. Sue Goodman, RN
Danville School Health Office

When ruling out gastroenteritis (with the norovirus being the most common cause of gastroenteritis) remember that:



From the Danville Elementary Library
Media Center

Information Literacy Skills

"Ultimately, information literate people are those who have learned how to learn. They know how to learn because they know how knowledge is organized, how to find information, and how to use information in such a way that others can learn from them. They are people prepared for lifelong learning, because they can always find the information needed for any task or decision at hand." American Library Association Presidential Committee on Information Literacy (January 10, 1989, Washington, D.C.)

Kindergarten has begun their weekly lessons and we will be starting a Fairy Tale unit. I look forward to exploring and learning with your children.

First Grade students are working on their questioning skills. Questioning, or "inquiry" as we teach our students, is an important lifelong skill. Being informative means being able to ask the right questions and having the correct answers. Our students are working hard to perfect this skill throughout their educational career. We will begin our Sun, Moon and Stars unit this month.

Second Graders have begun research for "Our Changing Earth". We started with our prior knowledge and moved to inquiry about how and why our earth changes. They continue to work hard on their information literacy skills. I look forward to working with them to create their evidence of what they have learned.

Third Graders have been working on researching habitats. Each student has investigated a habitat around the world (Coral Reefs, Deserts, Forests...). They have worked very hard taking notes and writing their paragraphs. They will be creating their first power point presentations to present to their peers with Mr. Doughty.

Fourth Graders are completing their US State project. They have been working hard finding out all kinds of facts to introduce to their classmates. Each student will present their findings in order to convince others to visit their state. We are excited about filming their presentations!

Fifth Graders have been learning about Website Evaluation, Internet Safety and Ethical Behavior. Ask them about their learning. We have had wonderful discussion around the use of technology in the 21st Century.

It has certainly been a busy winter here in the Library Media Center and we still have plenty of more work ahead of us! I look forward to learning with and from our amazing students.

Family Literacy Night The Annual Literacy Event will be held at the PAC on Thursday

April 6th. Please look for information coming soon in the Danville Delivery. Marty Kelly and Steve Blunt will be performing.

Happy Spring! - Beth Kisiel, LMS



Music Note

Ms. Soha

Mark your calendars!

March 22nd 7pm Chorus Concert (rehearsal at 6:15)
March 27th and 28th Rehearsal & Concert for all 5th grade Band students.
April 12th 7pm Concert for all 4th grade Band students

All events take place at the PAC (Timberlane Performing Arts Center). More information [has been sent home through Danville Delivery.](#)



Enrichment Program

By Cindy Wood

Friday, March 10 will be an all-school enrichment day about careers. We have many wonderful presenters coming to join us to

share about their careers. Career presentations cover a wide range of jobs such as horse training, engineering, Homeland Security Agent, physical therapy, computer programming, etc. Please remember to ask your child about the careers they learned about on March 10.

A special thank you to Mrs. Sarah Scanlan for contacting Hayley LaPoint, a channel 9 WMUR meteorologist. All students in grades K-5 will have an opportunity to learn about her career at a special assembly on March 10.

On March 20 grades K and 1 will have a special learning event with Wildlife Encounters. A variety of wildlife will be coming to our little school to help our younger students understand about habitats of animals from near and far.

Also look in this newsletter for information on our March 17 school store and for an opportunity to come and share your art form on May 12.

**PLEASE COME SHARE
WITH OUR STUDENTS
on ARTS DAY, MAY 12,**

RSVP by March 22, 2017

Dear Parents of Danville Elementary Students,

Danville Elementary School is sponsoring an Arts Day on Friday, May 12, 2017. We would appreciate it if you

would consider coming and spending half a day with us to share about your art form. You could share in the morning or afternoon at two workshop sessions of approximately 40 minutes each (AM 9-11:15 or PM 1-3). We ask you split your session into 15-20 minutes of sharing about your art form and 20-25 minutes of an activity for students. You would repeat your same workshop 2 times (more if you wish to stay for the entire day). A teacher will host you and assist with the session you plan.

An art form can be almost anything you consider art: basket weaving, sketching, painting, hair styling, carving, knitting, gardening, dance, instruments, etc.

Would you like more information? Then please contact Cindy Wood at 382-5554 ext. 5359 or at Cindy.Wood@timberlane.net.

If you know you are able to share about your art form please fill out the information below and return it to me. I will contact you with more details.

Thank you,
Cindy Wood, Enrichment Specialist

* Please respond by March 22, 2017. Thank you.

Your Name _____

_____ I will share about this art form which is _____ on May 12, 2017

Time you would like to share (Circle/highlight one or both)
9-11:15AM or 1-3PM

Grade range you prefer: (Mark all that apply): grades K-2 or 3-5

Best way to contact you:
Phone number with area code:

Email: _____ Please _____ print: _____

Address: _____



All About Art!

Dear Danville Families,

We are busier than ever in the art room! Students will soon be choosing the art piece that they want in the Academic Fair coming in April, and they will be bringing most of their artwork that they have done so far this year home.

What's going on right now in the art room?....

The Kindergarteners and First Graders heard the story "Mouse Paint". Afterwards, they worked on Primary and Secondary Color Theory. They mixed their own Secondary Colors using tempera paint and turned them into adorable mice.

The Second Graders heard the story "Solo" which was about family of penguins. They created their own penguin using chalk pastels which was a new medium to them. They also learned about Value Shading using the chalk pastels to create a more three dimensional effect.

The Third Graders just learned about the famous artist Georgia O'Keefe. They analyzed her many

paintings and gave such insightful comments and feelings about her work. Soon they will create a clay piece following her flower themed paintings.

The Fourth Graders are in the middle of practicing Chinese Calligraphy. They learned the history behind this complex and beautiful art as well as how to perform the eight basic strokes of calligraphy writing. They will be creating a poster that includes three Chinese Characters.

The Fifth Graders are working on creating their Tape People. Students have formed their groups and have come up with their themes. We began wrapping the arms most recently. Please hold off on having your child bring in any costumes or props until the first week in April.

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

Mrs. Rice



Physical Education

Hello Everyone!

February was a busy month for sure! We had our annual Jump Rope for Heart after school event and hosted over 95 students. 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 another great 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
Danville P.E.

Patrick.Ard@timberlane.net



School Store



Our next school store is on Friday, March 17, 2017 for grades 2-5.

School store will be open 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 \$3.00.



Students may not borrow money from others or ask for money from others.

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:

Collectable Zoo Life erasers
\$.50

Pop a Point pencils for \$.50

Bookmarks for \$.25

Folders (2 pocket) for \$1.00-\$1.50

Emoji Pencil cases and coin purses from
\$2.25-3.25

Erasable

Highlighters for
\$1.00

Koala Pencil Pals for
\$.50



Plus much, much more!

Our last school store for the year will be on April 14.