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Newsletter - March 2018



Dear Danville Families,

March is upon us and with it comes a change in seasons. We are transitioning from hearty folk able to handle all kinds of weather, to feeling lighthearted with the promise of more daylight each day. As time moves on students and staff continue to learn new things.

At our recent professional development day, staff was fortunate to hear Dr. Thomas Hoerr speak. Dr. Hoerr has made his career studying how to foster grit, empathy, and other success skills that every student needs. After reading his book, <u>The Formative Five</u>, I realized his message was not meant for education purposes only but was meaningful for all facets of life.

Students need more than just proficiency in academic skills in order to be successful in life. Students will learn basics in school and will learn to further develop and apply all they learn by developing what Dr. Hoerr refers to as the formative five. Test scores can't measure them. One's success will be measured by having an open mindset and developing what Dr. Hoerr refers to as success skills.

- Empathy: learning to see the world through others' perspectives.
- Self-control: cultivating the abilities to focus and delay self-gratification.
- Integrity: recognizing right from wrong and practicing ethical behavior.
- Embracing diversity: recognizing and appreciating human differences.
- Grit: persevering in the face of challenge. (Hoerr, 2017)

I challenge us all to have an open mindset and develop our formative five skills so we can continue to be the role models we want our students to emulate.

Happy Spring, Nancy Barcelos



Assistant Principal News



Our Second Trimester Report Cards are scheduled to be released on Friday, March 23rd. Remember these new competency report cards are available online through PowerSchool. If you need to request a paper copy, please contact the front office.

You may begin to see some performance levels reported as competent (4) if a student is demonstrating application and transfer of knowledge and skills independently in new tasks on a consistent basis. These cases are rare at this time in the year and in the transition to competency education. Please do not be alarmed if your student is receiving 2s and 3s. Students need to be taught how to demonstrate these skills without being asked given task or ۵ to complete. Timberlane expectations are that students become sufficient (3) by end of year.

Remember as grade level expectations increase your child may be demonstrating limited ability to apply and transfer knowledge and skills where they had been sufficient in trimester one. This would be reflected with a 2 instead of a 3. Teachers are working to provide increased instruction and practice time in these cases. Look to the teacher comments to provide you with more detail of the performance levels reported. As always, please reach out to the classroom teacher with any questions you have.

New Hampshire Annual State Assessment

Previously known as the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC), our new state assessment is the New Hampshire State Assessment System (NHSAS).

Our 5^{th} graders will be assessed in ELA and Math the week of May 7^{th} .

Our 4^{th} graders will be assessed in ELA and Math the week of May 14^{th} .

Our 3rd graders will be assessed in ELA and Math the week of May 21st.

This year our 5^{th} graders will also be assessed in science, this has previously been administered in 4^{th} grade. The new science assessment will no longer be paper and pencil, but will mirror the ELA and Math tests online. Not only is the interface different, but the style of questions and their rigor is much more advanced. Please reach out with any questions you have about this shift. The state is also in the process of updating the site for information on the new assessments at: <u>http://nh.portal.airast.org/</u>

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A Message from Nurse Sue:

Ear infections are very common in children and are caused by a dysfunction of the Eustachian tubes, the tubes that connect the

inner ears to the throat and serve as a drain for any fluid that may collect there. When fluid collects, it attracts bacteria



and other germs, which may multiply and cause a symptomatic infection. Symptoms include fever, ear pain, tugging at the ear, or even drainage from the ear canal. Treatment of ear infections may involve observation or antibiotics. Occasionally the fluid inside the middle ear may need to be drained.



Music Note Ms. Soha

Mark your calendars!

March 26th and 27th Rehearsal & Concert for all 5th grade Band students March 29th 7pm Chorus Concert (rehearsal at 6:30pm) April 11th 7pm 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.



Dear Danville Families,

I hope you all had a wonderful February Break. We are picking up right where we left off with our Art Projects! Here's what's going on....

Kindergarten: Students learned about clay and Coil Pot building. They used Model Magic to make a coil pot of their own.

First Grade: Students have been learning about Self Portraits. They are creating a self-portrait by looking in mirrors and paying close attention to details.

Second Grade: Students are working with clay to create clay mice. They learned about creating a pinch pot as well as scoring to attach additional clay pieces to their pot.

Third Grade: Students will be working on family portraits this week. They just finished a still life of a basket of fruit.

Fourth Grade: Students just finished creating a Mandala. They learned about the significance of a Mandala and the process of making it radial.

Fifth Grade: Students are working on their Tape People. They are about half finished!

Feel free to send in any recyclables that you think students would like to build with! Thank you so much for your support of the Visual Arts!





Hello Everyone!

February was a busy month for sure! We had our annual Jump Rope for Heart after school event and hosted over 82 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. <u>Patrick.Ard@timberlane.net</u>



By Cíndy Wood



Danville School,

Our next school-wide enrichment day will be an earth day theme. We are looking for volunteers to come and share with students their love of our planet. If

you are interested in teaching a workshop so our students can learn to appreciate our earth, please let me know by March 16. Please email me at the address below with the information requested at the bottom of this notice or if you have a question.

General information:

Workshops are 45 minutes long. Each workshop has a mix of either grade K-2 students or grade 3-5 students. We ask that each workshop have about 10-15 minutes of information for students to learn and then about 30 minutes of an active hands-on activity to follow up with what they learned. A staff person would be there to assist you and help host your workshop. There would be approximately 12-14 students in each workshop session.

What I would need to know from you by March 16:

Your name, phone number and email address.

Children in our school and their grade levels.

What age range you would prefer presenting to. (Either K-2 or 3-5)

Which time frame would suit your schedule best on April 20?

Your workshop theme or title.

_____ Two 45 minute workshops in the morning between 9-11 am (same workshop repeated for different groups of students)

_____ Two 45 minute workshops in the afternoon between 1-3PM (same workshop repeated for different students.)

_____ All day (four 45 minute workshops with different students in each session).

Thank you, Cindy Wood, Enrichment Specialist <u>Cindy.Wood@timberlane.net</u>



Our next school store is Thursday, March 22 **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 \$.25 to \$3.50. <u>Students may not borrow</u> <u>money from others or ask for</u>



<u>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:

(New) Collectable Zoo Life erasers \$.50 Pop a Point pencils for \$.50

Hello Kitty and Friends notebooks \$1.00 Flashlight Pens for \$1.75

Fuzzy	Note		Pads		\$2.50
Mini Journals for \$1.25					
Pencil	led	and	eraser	kit	\$.75
Erasable Highlighters for \$1.00					
NFL	football		erasers		\$.75
Wonder bookmarks and erasers \$.25					
Plus much, much more!					
Our last school store for this year will be					
on April 12.					