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Danville Hawkes Soar for Success !

Newsletter - April 2019



Principal's Pen

It is great to be back at Danville Elementary. It has been wonderful seeing both new and familiar faces this past month. I would like to thank the community for all the support as well as Meghan Corcoran for her assistance with helping to make this a smooth transitions for all.

BINGO FOR BOOKS

On March 29th, the PTA, planned a great evening for our students. Students and families enjoyed an evening of fun playing Bingo and eating pizza. The students and families loved participating in the event which helps encourage reading. The teachers and parents who chaperoned also had just as much fun as the students. During the event, children played many



different variations of bingo, and enjoyed interacting with their peers and family. Thank you to the PTA for providing our students with this opportunity.



REMINDERS:

- Parents dropping off students in the morning are reminded to be vigilant of students and cars arriving and departing. The safety of the students is our greatest concern.
- We would also remind families driving their children to school that the NH State requires children under the age of 18 to wear a seatbelt.
- Students that are arriving late need to be signed in at the office and will receive a late slip.

Brian Shawley
Principal



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

The kindergarteners spent the month of March learning about bees. We discussed how bees take pollen from flower to flower, allowing fruit and vegetables to grow. We learned that without bees and other insects, plants would lose their ability to produce food for us to eat. We created our own bees and added them to our bulletin board about our part of the earth waking up for Spring!

The fifth graders began March with an Empathy Escape Room, which gave them the opportunity to learn how to put themselves in another person's shoes through puzzles and word games. All the students were successful in escaping the all-about-me mentality. We also began some experimentation about absorbency which will help determine the materials needed for a STEAM project to be started in April.



Music Note

Ms. Soha

We had a wonderful March filled with beautiful music at several concerts. There is still one left!

April 9th and 10th Rehearsal & Concert for all 4th grade Band students.

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

Hoping to sign up for an instrument? Information will be sent home in May, but keep one of the following dates open to attend signups: May 29, June 1, or June 3. Hope to see you there!



All About Art!

Dear Danville Families and Friends,

Spring has come! We are working harder than ever in the Art Room!

The Kindergarteners are learning about insects. They used oil pastels which is a media new to most of them to create a natural habitat. Soon we will be sculpting insects with model magic clay and will place them in these habitats.

The First Graders are learning about a new artist from Ireland named Yvonne Coomber. She is known for her illuminous paintings of sunset and flowers. They learned about warm colors and created a watercolor sunset using these colors. They are creating vibrant flower gardens using tempera paint. They are using their

fingers, a paintbrush and q-tips to create the garden.

The Second Graders are working on their observational skills to create charming illustrations of my childhood stuffed animals. We discussed the concept of a Still life drawing and how to sketch first before settling on a solid drawing. They've really enjoyed themselves while rising to the challenge!

The Third Graders learned about the famous artist Georgia O'Keefe. They observed her many paintings of flowers, landscapes and animal bones. They learned about analogous colors and how to blend using oil pastels. They are creating magnified illustrations of flowers using sets of analogous colors.

The Fourth Graders are learning about One Point Perspective. They are creating a "Worm's Eye View" of city skyscrapers using a vanishing point in their picture.

The Fifth Graders continue creating their Tape People. We have completed at least half of the bodies so far! We will be having a portion of our school day in May dedicated to displaying these amazing sculptures so stay tuned.

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

Artfully Yours,
Mrs. Rice



Physical Education

Hello Everyone!

March came in like a lion! The numbers are in for our annual Kid's Heart Challenge Fundraiser and we raised the second highest amount in Danville history! We were able to raise \$3,050.00 in less than five weeks of fundraising! I really want to thank all of the students and parents that made this event possible. We are doing a great service to those who have been affected by heart attacks or strokes.

We just finished our speed stacking unit and have moved into gymnastics. We will be flying into floor hockey skills right before April vacation.

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 spring 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.