

# Doniphan-Trumbull Elementary

## March 2010 Mid –Month Newsletter By Mary Yilk

**School Goal:** *Committed To Actions That Embrace Progressive Opportunities, Advanced Achievement, Genuine Respect, And Personal Integrity Through Active Community Partnerships.*

**School Wide Goal:** *All Students Pre-K through 12 will have increased opportunities to utilize expressive literacy through communication in meaningful context.*

*Adopted Nov. 30, 2009*

**Dates to Remember:** It seems that the last two months of school go by so quickly. I thought I would give you the important dates for March, April and May so you can plan in advance.



### March

19	Pie distribution (west gym)	2:00-4:00 PM
23	Baskets/ Boogie/ BBQ (west gym)	5:30-8:00PM
24	1:30 Dismissal-Teacher In-Service	
29-30	State reading & math Tests (NeSA)	

### April:

1	1:30 Dismissal	
2	No School	
5-8	State reading & math Test (NeSA)	
6	Team Meeting	
8	Kindergarten Circus/Music Program	7:00-8:00PM (east gym)
12&13	State reading & math Test (NeSA)	
19	Red Carpet Night with Mrs. Sears	6:30PM (west gym)
20	Early Childhood Screenings	By Appointment
21	1:30 Dismissal –Teacher In-service	
22	5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Music/Art Program	7:00-7:45PM (west gym)
23	Early Ed Parent Advisory	10:00AM
26	Kindergarten Registration	4:00-7:00PM (Elem office)

### May

3	TEAM's Staff Appreciation Day	
6	Early Learning Center's Last Day	
5	Elementary Track Meet 3rd-6th Gr.	11:00AM -3:30PM
17	Super Kids Day Grade K-2 <sup>nd</sup>	1:00-3:00PM
19	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion	7:00-8:00PM
19	1:30 Dismissal – SEMESTER TEST	
20	1:30 Dismissal – SEMESTER TEST --Last Day of School	

### NeSA Testing:

Please note that the NeSa Testing will be scheduled for March 29-30, April 5-8, and April 12 & 13. **Please do not make any appointments to take students in grades 3, 4, 5 or 6 out of school. This is a mandated state/federal assessment that students must take.** Your cooperation and understanding of the urgency of students being at school on those dates are appreciated.



### Student Council:

#### Plastic Grocery Bags:

Thank you to everyone for your great support. We took over 150 large collection bags to Wal-Mart. Hopefully we will win some dollars through this “green” collection. Thanks!

Also thanks to everyone who bought candy during the month of February, we are donating \$135 to the Haiti relief fund.

### STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES 4th Quarter

Mrs. Hoagland:	Brianna Lundquist	Bret Johnson
Mrs. Heyen:	Shay Schanaman	Josie Samuleson
Mrs. Osler:	Shyann Chitty	Kaylee Lewis
Ms. Arterbun:	Tate Mazour	Carsyn Poppe
Mrs. Heath/Mrs. Saathoff:	Lauren Hinrichs	Amber Lewandowski Skylar Jenkins
Mrs. Kopke:	Alex Williams	



### Kindergarten Registration: 2010-2011 School Year

Registration for 2010-2011 Kindergarten class will be on April 26 from 4:00 -7:00PM. Your child **may not start school until all the paperwork is completed.** Registration takes about 15-20 minutes. This year the Kindergarten teachers will assist with the registration. Mrs. Gant and Mrs. Shafer are excited to meet you and hear about your child. You do not need to bring your child to the registration.

We will have a registration form that will begin your process of the registration. We realize that you may not have all the state required paperwork at this time, but the registration means for you to start the process to have the paperwork completed by Aug. 1.

If you have a neighbor or relative that may not receive this information, please share. This is what you will need to have the registration complete:

- A state certified birth certificate to officially register
- It is preferred to have your child’s social security number.
- All immunizations will need to be up to date and a copy of the records to the office by August.
- A physical and vision from your doctor. (We have the forms for the doctor to complete)

The Kindergarten teachers offer a 4-day summer program. Your child will become acquainted with them and the building without anyone else in the building. This has proven to be highly effective.



### **Kindergarten Circus:**

April 8<sup>th</sup> from 7:00-8:00PM, please come to watch the Kindergarten perform. This is a favorite moment in the lives of the kindergartners. Many upper grade students in the elementary assist with this fun night. Someone always gets a pie in the face....or maybe this year no one will....what do you think?

### **Early Learning Center Screening: April 20**

The Early Ed staff would like for you to call for an appointment if you have any concerns about your child's cognitive, language or physical development. We will screen your child for free if you have concerns. Please call for an appointment 845-6676 and ask to talk to either Beth or Susanne.

### ***TEAM Events:***

#### **Basket, Boogie and Barbeque:**

March 23<sup>rd</sup> is our big day. I sure hope you have your donated item sent to the school. Your donation to the basket is so very important to the auction. Please make sure to come to watch how each classroom does with their basket. It would be great if you would bring a business person or a neighbor to come bid on the baskets. ☺

This was so much fun last year; bring your billfold to bid on your child's favorite basket!

## **Thankyou!!**

TEAM would like to thank everyone who bought pies again this year. They sold a total of 966 pies. The top class sales with 161 pies were Mrs. Herrmann's 2<sup>nd</sup> grade class. The top salesman was Lydia Nelson with 70 pies, she received a check for \$50 and 2<sup>nd</sup> place salesman was Maddie Smith with 65 pies, she received a check for \$30.

### **Secondary Track Meets:**

Track and field season is approaching for secondary students. Before this season begins, I thought I would let you know that this is not an elementary activity. In years past, some parents ask to take their child(ren) out of school to attend a secondary track meet. There are so many assessments and requirements that are being completed at this time of year for all elementary students. This is disruptive. The NCLB (No Child Left Behind) expectations can't be met if elementary students miss days in the spring. If an elementary child does leave for a secondary track meet, I cannot count these days as an excused absence; it would be counted as unexcused. Please make other after school arrangements for your elementary children if your secondary student is involved in an out of town track meet. Thanks so much for your cooperation.

**Little Red Track Meet and Super Kids Day:**

Each grade level has an event in the spring that they participate in. It has been asked if a sibling can attend the other event to watch. The answer is no. This would not be a valid reason to miss school. There is so much to accomplish for each class that every day at the end of the year is very important to be at school.



**EDUCATION ADVANTAGE DOLLARS:**

**Allen's Education Advantage:**

The last day that Allen's will give the school credit is March 31<sup>st</sup>. Please send in all receipts for the school to process by April 3<sup>rd</sup>. This has not been as popular as has been in the past. If you know of anyone that has receipts, please ask them to send to our school. Thanks so much for all your help.

**Box Tops for Education:**

Box Tops for education is a continuing program all year long. We will take them any time that you want to send them.



**HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!**

