

Tiger Tales

Taglorsville Elementary Newsletter

March 2009

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Message from the Principal. . .

Dear Parents,

I am pleased to say that the after school reading and before school math tutoring programs are very successful! Students enrolled in these programs are making wonderful progress. The teachers, students and parents are doing a fantastic job. Also, I am thrilled to say that the Road to Success program is proving very beneficial. As a school, we have reached 83% of our school wide goal! Please continue to encourage your student to read at least 20 minutes a day.

I am also thrilled to congratulate our students' outstanding performance on the Iowa Tests. These awards are given to 3rd and 5th grade students who scored in the top ten percentile ranks based on national norms. Congratulations not only to our outstanding students, but also to you as parents and the teachers. The following students will receive a certificate and recognition at an assembly: **Dylan Graham, Alyssa Hansen, Dylan Healy, William Liddle, Jesus Loera, Kenadee Moore, Calvin Tu, Brando Rico, Kalolaine Taukeiaho, Victoria Villarroel, Peter Bateman, Makena Baxter, Patrick Froysland, Atunaisa Mahe, Brittini McCandless and Vicky Nguyen.**

Please be aware that **CRT testing will begin APRIL 20 and conclude MAY 27.** It is imperative that your child be in school during the testing window. Please do not make plans for vacations, appointments or other obligations that would require your student to be absent. The CRT test is not timed. The test does not penalize the student for making an educated guess. It is important for the student to take their time, do their best and answer every question on the test the best they can. You can help at home by making sure your child gets plenty of rest and exercise. Please have students eat a healthy breakfast to help keep energized. The school will also provide a healthy snack prior to testing. Please establish a daily family routine with scheduled homework time and express high expectations for your child. As a team, we will succeed.

Thank you for your continued support. I enjoy working with your students. They are amazing kids. If you have any academic concerns

for the next school year, I will be happy to assist in helping you. Please contact me via email jadams@graniteschools.org or by telephone at 801-646-5038.

Sincerely,
Jon Adams, Principal

Message from the PTA President. . .

Teachers and students,

We are kicking off our PTA fundraiser March 9th and it will run thru March 20th. We are selling carnival favorites (pretzels, churros, and funnel cakes) \$1 candy bars and jerky, in addition to chocolate Easter treats. This helps the PTA fund school activities and programs including Art start and reflections. Donations are more than welcome if you would like instead.

We are getting ready to elect our PTA board for next year. This is a great way to become involved in your children's school and make a difference. There are so many ways to be involved and most do not take up as much time as you think and there is no experience needed. It is very rewarding and your children love it. Please call or e-mail me and I can give you more information or answer any questions.

The contest for Plastic bags recycling ends this month, so if you have bags to bring in do so ASAP!! Congratulations!! We have earned our SNOW CONE MACHINE for field day!!! We have already purchased it and the students will get to enjoy it this week for spirit week. Thank you to all of our teachers, parents and students! We are still collecting bags throughout the school year to save for next year, so keep collecting your bags and box tops!!!!

Our PTA meetings are held every first Thursday of the month. The next two will be March 12, at 4:15 pm then on April 2nd at 4:15 pm in Mr. Watt's room. Everyone is invited. If you have any ideas and/or suggestions, we'd love to see you there.

Thanks to all our volunteers!
Suggestions or ideas please call me

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NEW - TIGER TUNES CHOIR Every Wednesday from 4:00 to 4:30 (in the gym) for 4th, 5th and 6th Grade students who want to participate.

Star Students, Teachers, and Volunteers

Kindergarten - Alison Powell (Parrish)

First Grade - Jaquelin Virgin-Tovar

Second - Michael Vigil (Porter)

Third - Justin Orozco (Monson)

Fourth - Marcos Covarrubias (Madsen)

Fifth - JoDeanna Warburton (Jeppson)

Star Teachers in February were Mrs. Clinker, Mrs. Madsen, and Mrs. Sonnenreich. Our Star Volunteers were Nikki Moore and Wendy Kohler. Way to go Tigers!!

Looking Ahead . . .

Important Dates:

March 2 - 31 Kindergarten Registration

March 2-5 Spirit Week

March 3 District Science Fair

March 3 Read Across America Activities

March 5 End of 2nd Term

March 5 SHORT DAY

March 6 Student Recess Day NO SCHOOL

March 9 P.T.A. Fund Raiser Begins

March 10 MATURATION PROGRAM @ 11:00 am

March 12 P.T.A. Meeting @ 4:00 pm

March 17 SEP CONFERENCES 4-7 pm

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March 17 Community Council Voting

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March 18 Parents and Pastries

March 19 Community Council Meeting @ 4:00 pm

March 23 SPRING PICTURES @ 9:15 am

March 26 SHORT DAY

March 27 Compensatory Day NO SCHOOL

Safety First . . .

There is concern about parents entering the playground area during lunch recess and approaching their children. Please do not do this without checking into the office and obtaining a **VISITOR'S PASS first**. The duty's job is to keep our kids safe on the playground. The duty doesn't know that you are an appropriate visitor unless you have obtained a visitor's pass from the office. This is true of the **hallway, playground, and the cafeteria**. We want to keep all students and school staff safe. Please remember to have photo ID ready when checking your child out of school.

Traffic

Thank you for using the Drop Zone in front of the school instead of the parking lot when bringing your students to school. A BIG THANK YOU to Mr. Watts for directing traffic at the end of the day. To those who use the parking lot: Please exit the lot by turning right. Traffic flows more smoothly and quickly if we turn right. This makes it possible for everyone to leave safely and in a timely manner. We don't want anyone to get hurt, so please be courteous, and cautious to the adults and students who are directing traffic. Please set a proper example for our students and use the crosswalks. THANKS!

Business Partners

McDonald's provides Happy Meals as awards for students, meal cards for teachers, and also provides meals for our teachers during SEP Conferences. **EVERYBODY** Loves McDonald's!

Little Caesar's Pizza - provides coupons

University of Phoenix - provides donuts for Parents and Pastries

Mountain America Credit Union – provides the refreshments for the Art Start Family Festival in May.

If you work for a business that might be willing to help our school by copying our newsletter, please talk to Mr. Adams, or Wendy Koehler. Thanks.

School Community Council

We will hold meetings on the following dates: 3/19, 4:00, 4/16, 4:00. You may view the minutes from the previous meetings under the Community Council Link on our school website.

Community Council Elections will take place during SEP Conferences on March 17 and 18. Cast your ballot at the office.

Top Tigers

January

Parrish	AM	Zoe Peterson	Monson	3	Keyana Besendorfer
	PM	Teuili Taukeiaho	Radman	3	Brandon Rico
Clinker	AM	Ivonne Felix	Finley	3	Alex Gordon
	PM	Jeremy Al Daraji	Forbyn-West	4	Caitlin Allred
Crowther	1	MallaLai Echeverria	Madsen	4	Tiana Powell
Earl	1	Tevita Taukeiaho	Hulet	5	Emily Evans
Smith	1	Jacob Taylor	Jeppson	4/5	Haille Madill
Watts	2	Anthony Llamas	Mattucci	5	Dominic Montoya
Ferguson	2	Kimby Jackson	Jensen	6	Tyler Roberts
Sharp	2	Taffany Memmott	Blau	6	Daniela Mendoza
Porter	2	Vanessa Do	Sonnenreich	6	Ashley Campos