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SCHIESHER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
DR. LINDA KOTALIK, PRINCIPAL

Principal's Corner

Dear Schiesher Families:

The month of May is a very exciting time at Schiesher School. Please review the calendar attached to this newsletter as well as your child's classroom calendar for the many activities and events scheduled during these last weeks of school.

One of the exciting days scheduled for Tuesday, June 6th, is **Step Up Day**. During Step Up Day, students have the opportunity to visit next year's grade level team. Please note that students **will not** be introduced to next year's teacher on this day, but instead will focus on grade level expectations and units of study. This change in Step Up Day allows the staff at Tate Woods and Schiesher to adjust classrooms as needed due to new students enrolling as well as students leaving the district during the summer months. Class lists for the 2009 – 2010 school year will be posted on the kindergarten doors at 4:00 p.m., on August 6th.

During the last five weeks of school third through fifth grade students will be participating in a **homework lottery**. For each day a child turns in his/her completed homework they will earn a lottery ticket. Lottery winners will be drawn during the first week in June with each class having the opportunity to win gift cards and food certificates. We are hoping that this little incentive will help students remain motivated and keep spring fever at bay!

This is the last newsletter of the year and I wanted to take a moment to thank the Schiesher staff for the dedication and commitment to the families of District 202. It is through their hard work and love of their craft that we have such an amazing school. I would also like to thank parents for the home/school partnership that makes our school a great learning community for all! As always, if there is anything we can do to help you please do not hesitate to call.

Have a happy and safe summer-

Dr. Linda Kotalik
Principal

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LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

We want to remind families that because of the three snow days this winter, the last day of school for the 08-09 school year will be **Tuesday, June 9th**, for Grades 3-5 with dismissal at 10:15. The last day for Kindergarten will be on **Monday, June 8th**. The Kindergarten music program will be at 10:30 and 2:30

EARLY DISMISSAL

GR. 3-5 WILL BE DISMISSED AT 11:45 ON FRIDAY, MAY 1st. THERE WILL BE NO PM KINDERGARTEN!

NO SCHOOL on Monday, May 25th for Memorial Day.

APRIL CITIZEN OF THE MONTH

The following students were honored as Citizens of the Month for April: Sophie Barnett, Emily Stears, Chelsea Neylon, Madelyn Smith, Vaiva Staugaityte, Kyle Belina, Dave Starnes, Katie Yau, Julia Ullman, Mary Catherine Puglisi, Alexander Ancede, Ashton Calaway, Lysandra Aranda, Hanna Altpeter, Alex Bobis.

“When we take
others under our
wing, we grow as
well.”

STUDENT INDIVIDUALIZED TEST RESULTS

Testing Results will be coming home next week in the mail. You will be receiving both Gates-MacGinitie and Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) test results. Fourth grade students will also be receiving Otis-Lennon School Ability Tests (OLSAT) results. Please let the office know if you do not receive these test results and feel free to call your students teacher with any questions you may have on these results.

Third Grade Poets

Mrs. Green and Mrs. Hurt’s third grade Language Arts class submitted poems to the *Anthology of Poetry by Young Americans* in November. These poems were considered for publication based on originality, rhythmic sounds, rhymes, a fresh approach to a simple subject and audience appeal. These student’s poems were chosen to be in this year’s anthology: Jeffery Marach, Kaela Khan, Aaron Cail, Michael Ferrandino, Carolyn Kelleher, Ryan Haraldsen, Jules Cole, Maddie Smith. Congratulations to Schisher’s budding poets.



Notes From The Nurse

Information about Swine Flu

The CDC has determined that the swine influenza A (H1N1), or swine flu, has become a public health concern. The CDC issued a Public Health Emergency over the weekend due to 20 documented cases that have occurred in this country. This strain of influenza is a concern due to a lack of immunity in humans.

Facts about Swine Flu

Influenza, better known as the flu, is a common respiratory illness. Symptoms appear 24 to 48 hours after exposure to the virus. The virus can be spread 1 day before and for approximately 7 days during symptoms. Symptoms of swine flu are similar to those of a typical seasonal flu and include: fever, lethargy, lack of appetite, and coughing. Some people with the swine flu have reported a sore throat, sinus congestion, and vomiting and diarrhea.

Transmission between humans is believed to occur in the same manner as seasonal flu and cold viruses. This mode of transmission can be person-to-person, through inhaling infected droplets from an infected person's cough or sneeze, or by touching a surface with flu viruses on it and then touching the mouth, nose, or eyes.

Prevention

Preventing the spread of swine flu is no different than preventing the spread of seasonal flu. Some recommendations are as follows:

Wash you hands more frequently. Soap and water is always preferred, but alcohol-based hand sanitizer containing over 60% rubbing alcohol is also effective. Hand washing is the most important preventive measure.

Keep your hands away from your nose, eyes, and mouth.

Try to refrain from sneezing or coughing into your bare hands. Instead, cough or sneeze into the bend of the elbow or upper arm. Sneezing or coughing into the hands is preferable, however, to not covering the mouth at all. Make sure to wash the hands well if sneezing or coughing into them occurs.

Try to stay in good general health. Get plenty of sleep, drink plenty of fluids, and eat nutritious foods.

If you would like further information on swine flu symptoms, prevention, and treatment, see the US Centers for Disease Control web site at <http://www.pandemicflu.gov/>

2009-2010 SCHOOL REGISTRATION

On Monday, April 27th, you received a registration packet for the 2009-2010 school year. These registration materials need to be filled out and returned to school no later than Friday, May 15, 2009. If you are unable to pay the registration fees or will be applying for free and reduced fees, we will still need your packets returned to us by May 15th. **Note that this year we will be able to accept payment by credit card as well as cash or check.**

Students that do not register with the school will be unable to attend until **all** registration materials are received in the office. If you will not be attending Lisle Community School District 202 next year, please let your teacher know.



PAWS

Congratulations to the following students that received a Paw this month: Dave Starnes (helped a friend), Destinee Childs (helped clean up), Tina Thornton (helped clean up), Lexi Pascente (helped another student), Nikolas Trofort (helped a friend and shared a book), Skylar Spence (helped out in class), Amy Tromp (helped students in Art), Ryan Fassbender (cleaned up classroom), David Hibler (cleaned the art room), Rachel Jones (thoughtful to others), Abbey Kretman (was thoughtful and held the door), Kaela Khan (helped pick up), Amanda (helped clean up), Rachel Loveless (cleaned up a cabinet in class), Lauren (helped in Art), Destiny Taylor, Ashlyn (cleaned the bookshelf in class), Collin Walker (helped pick up in classroom), Joey Mondia, Sara Shenke (helped in Art), Sydney Narot (was honest), Jackson Beshears (cleaned up towels in the bathroom), Tyranny (helped get the Art room ready for the next class), Carolyn Keleher, Jake Ventrella, Michael Cracco (picked up trash all week), Lou Ruggiero (helped other students), Harkirat (helped pick up towels in bathroom), Francesca Wagoner (helped other students), Cole Faulstich (picked up litter and garbage on the way to school), Natalie (helped teacher with computer), Bich-Nhu (helped classmates with book cube), Madelyn Smith (helped other students during her free time), Faith Zielinski (helped clean up art), Andrew Hills (helped in Art), Amanda (helped students with their book cubes), Jacqueline Stears, Allysa Krestan (helped supervisors in the lunchroom), Caitlyn Petrousek (helped supervisors in the lunchroom), Hann (helped in the art room and the classroom).



MUSIC AT SCHIESHER

Band and Chorus students will be entertaining Schiesher students and parents on Thursday, May 14th at 2:15 and 7:00.

Last day for after school band is Tuesday, May 19th. Instead of students going to the High School, they will stay at Schiesher. Bus service will still be available for students that need it.

May 26th is the 5th grade DARE graduation and music program. Program begins at 7:00.

The Kindergarten music program will be on Monday, June 8. The morning students will perform at 10:30 am and the afternoon students will perform at 2:30.

*“Attention to
detail keeps
quality within
reach.”*

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