



March 2017 Newsletter

L.E.A.D...it's up to me!

Learning to Empower myself to Achieve my goals will Determine my success!

Dear Carroll Elementary Parents/Guardians:

I hope you have enjoyed the winter season and are ready for the spring season to be in full bloom as we approach the end of another school year. We appreciate your continuous effort and dedication, as you provide additional support from home, to help your child be successful. It is rewarding to see the growth our students have made since the beginning of the year.

Our third, fourth and fifth grade teachers and students are continuing to prepare for the upcoming state mandated assessments. These students will be completing the assessments during the morning hours of the school days listed below. (Please be mindful of these dates when scheduling appointments or vacations for students that will complete these assessments.)

ELA: April 3, April 4, April 5 and April 6 (April 7, April 10 and April 11 will be make-up days.)

Math: April 24, April 25, and April 26 (April 27, April 28 and May 1 will be make-up days.)

Science (4th only): May 2 and May 3

Make-ups: May 4, May 5, May 8-May 10

At the end of the month, students will participate in a themed dress week to encourage and support our 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students for the upcoming state assessments.

On March 1st, students participated in a "Community" assembly. The focus for this assembly was to review the 5 Habits that are aligned to our logo and motto which are connected to 7 Habits of Highly Effective People. During the assembly, we had one student from each grade level share how they have utilized certain habits on a daily basis, Ms. Wickard reviewed the educational and behavioral expectations we need to maintain in our "house"/"community", students linked themselves together to reflect on how we are all connected and need to support one another and the building created a school-wide chain that is hung in our lobby.

Since the month of March is officially here, the spring season, which includes extended hours of daylight, outside activities, and end of the year events, please remember that we still have plenty of days left for instruction. It is important for our students to continue to work hard, both at school and at home, to continue to have academic growth for these last couple of months of school.

Sincerely,

Ms. Kristi Wickard

Mark it on your calendar...

March 7	PTO meeting at 6:00 in the library
March 8	Rainforest Animals Assembly
March 17	Snow Make-up Day – School is in session (Day 2)
March 17	PTO Spirit Wear Order Due Date
March 27-31	PSSA Spirit Week
March 28	End of 3 rd Marking Period
March 29	Spring Picture Day
March 31	PSSA Pep Rally
April 3-7	PSSA Exams ELA – Grades 3, 4 & 5
April 4	PTO meeting at 6:00 in the library
April 14	Holiday – no school
April 17	Holiday – no school (3 rd snow make up day)
April 24-28	PSSA Exams Math – Grades 3, 4 & 5
May 2-3	PSSA Exams Science- Grade 4 only

Box Tops Update

The last day to send Box Tops in for the second contest is Friday April 28th. The winning class will receive an ice cream party in May. The current top 5 classes:

- 1- Maggs 621
- 2- Jones 482
- 3- Bower 454
- 4- Morning 376
- 5- Ream 341



Total collected for 2nd contest - 3519
Total collected for 2016-17 school year - 12,061
Keep collecting the Box tops!

A few reminders:

- ✓ ***Educational Trip request forms must be submitted one week prior to the scheduled trip in order to be approved.***
- ✓ ***Please remember to have your child dress appropriately for cold temperatures. Students will continue to have outside recess unless the “feels like” temperature is 28 degrees or below.***
- ✓ ***Breakfast is NOT served on two-hour delay days.***
- ✓ ***Please remember to send a note regarding your student’s absence the day he/she returns to school. You may write a note in your child’s assignment book as well.***
- ✓ ***Please continue to encourage your student to practice their math facts using www.xtramath.org***

****Top Mustangs***

Students are recognized for being TOP MUSTANGS when they are “caught” displaying exemplary behaviors or performing acts of kindness toward others. They receive a top mustang ticket, which is then entered into a drawing. Each Friday, or end of the week, five tickets are drawn and the students receive a prize from the Top Mustang Student Store. Congratulations to our top mustang winners for the month of February:

Marcin Kring, Christian Reeder, Quentin Poorman, Addyson Zerance, Madisyn Higley, Jadyne Jones, Abigail Risner, Max Jones, Aiden Lupfer, Savannah Walker, Jackson Rush, Joseph Fish, Jonathan Mears, Maggie Cauffman, Hannah Maschak, Jada Swarner, Taylor Callaghan, Madison Shenk, Liam Weibley, Ashlyn Bakker, Riley Fisk, Urban Shull, Bennett Flenner, Josh Doyle

Our TOP MUSTANGS are outstanding!!!

A message from our Special Teachers...

Art: Please check out www.Artsonia.com, an on-line museum for student artwork. All participating students will have artwork posted on Artsonia soon.

Band/Music: Please remind students to continue to practice their instruments at home.

Physical Education: Carroll students raised \$4,140.00 in donations for The American Heart Association through the Jump Rope for Heart Program. Thank you for supporting the students to be “Heart Heroes”.

****Student Spotlight Corner****

*Youth Art Day is an arts festival for Perry County students to showcase talented young people in five disciplines: *Visual Arts, Music, Literature, Dance and Drama*. Awards and performances will be held on April 8, 2017 from 11:00-3:00 at Newport High School. For information you can contact Perry County Council of the Arts at 567-7023.