



Make attendance and promptness #1

## Making School a Priority

With spring right around the corner, it can be hard to keep children focused on learning. What can you do to make school a top priority for your kids? Keep these simple ideas in mind; they're useful at any time of the year.

Let your kids know that unless they're sick, they must go to school. Try to schedule routine dentist and doctor appointments after school hours. If possible, take family vacations during school breaks. **Tip-** Give awards for perfect attendance each month. Try a "Job Well Done" certificate or a coupon good for a night of bowling or a movie.

Want your children to know that you're interested in their learning? Talk about their school activities and projects. Attend as many school events as you can. If homework and after-school activities conflict, speak up: "I know you have baseball practice this evening, but homework comes first. After you finish, I'll take you to practice."

Try to set a positive example for your children, even when your own day has been difficult. Instead of saying "I had a hard day at work. I'll never get my project done." Try... "Work was hard today, but I made some progress on my project." If you show a positive attitude about your work, your kids may feel better about their own.



## Spring Carnival

We would like to say **THANK YOU** to all the volunteers, parents and community members that supported the PTO Spring

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Carnival through attendance, donations and/or working the event. Having wonderful events such as this can only happen with the help and support of all!

Also, I would personally like to THANK the PTO officers for their dedication and hard work in planning and implementing the event. They are TRULY wonderful!

## A.I.R. Assessments

### The A.I.R. Assessment schedule is as follows:

April 10th & 12th: 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade ELA  
 April 11th: 4<sup>th</sup> Grade ELA  
 April 12th: 5<sup>th</sup> Grade ELA  
 April 17th: 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Math  
 April 18th: 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Math  
 April 19th: 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Math  
 April 26th: 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Science

## TESTING ATTENDANCE INCENTIVE REWARD!!

If you are at school on time each day of your grade level AIR Assessment, you get to attend a movie/popcorn reward party of April 27<sup>th</sup>!

## PTO Mattress Fundraiser

Next Wednesday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 P.M., PTO is having a very important parent meeting regarding the Mattress Fundraiser. Babysitting will be offered!

The Mattress Sale is scheduled for Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup> starting at 10:00 A.M. in the Primary Building Cafeteria!



## Fees

*\*Parents if you have not had the opportunity to pay your child's fees, please do so as soon as possible. Thank you!*

### Elementary Fees:

Third Grade: \$27.70  
 Fourth Grade: \$28.58  
 Fifth Grade: \$28.00



## Keep Peer Pressure in Check

For years people have been telling kids to "just say no" to drugs. How can children say no to other kinds of peer pressure? Here are three situations your youngsters might face and ways they could say no.

### Handling Uncomfortable Situations:

"I have nightmares after I watch scary movies. Can you please change the channel?"

### Skipping family responsibilities:

"I can't come over now because I have to do my chores. If I don't, I won't be about to go to John's birthday party on Saturday."

### Using Tobacco:

"I have a relative who smokes a lot. It is not very nice to be around the smoke. No thanks!"

## Important Dates in April/May!

### April:

Thursday, April 5<sup>th</sup>: 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Field Trip  
 Tuesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>: 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade ELA AIR (Part 1)  
 Wednesday, April 11<sup>th</sup>: 4<sup>th</sup> Grade ELA AIR  
 Wednesday, April 11<sup>th</sup>: PTO Meeting @ 4:30  
 @Primary Cafeteria  
 Thursday, April 12<sup>th</sup>: 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade ELA AIR (Part 2)  
 Thursday, April 12<sup>th</sup>: 5<sup>th</sup> Grade ELA AIR  
 Tuesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>: 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Math AIR  
 Wednesday, April 18<sup>th</sup>: 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Math AIR  
 Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup>: 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Math AIR  
 Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup>: 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Science AIR  
 Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup>: Testing Attendance  
 Incentive Movie/Popcorn  
**Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup>: Mattress Fundraiser**  
 @ Primary

### May:

Monday, April 30<sup>th</sup>- May 4<sup>th</sup>: Teacher  
 Appreciation Week  
 Thursday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>: 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip  
 Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>: PTO Book Fair  
 Monday, May 14<sup>th</sup>: PTO Super Games  
**(Volunteers Helpers needed!)**  
 Wednesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>: Elementary Play  
 "Grease Jr." @ 6:00 P.M.: 3-12 Cafeteria  
 Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup>: High School Graduation  
 Tuesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>: Last Day of School!



## Grade Cards & Interims-Sent Home on:

1<sup>st</sup> Nine Weeks Interims: 9-15-17  
 1<sup>st</sup> Nine Weeks Grade Cards: 11-3-17  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Nine Weeks Interims: 12-8-17  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Nine Weeks Grade Cards: 1-19-18  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Nine Weeks Interims: 2-16-18  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Nine Weeks Grade Cards: 3-23-18  
 4<sup>th</sup> Nine Weeks Interims: 4-20-18  
 4<sup>th</sup> Nine Weeks Grade Cards: mailed home