



WHAT'S UP WINNEBAGO?

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April/May 2010
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Playground Equipment

Now that warmer days are here, our students are enjoying our playground equipment. For their safety, our students are to go home after school, drop off their backpacks and get permission to return to school to use the playground. Please remind your child that unless they are accompanied by you, the playground is closed from 3:40-4:00.

Lunch Money

Please be certain that your child has money in his or her account. When an account is low, a yellow notice is sent home. If there is money in the account at the end of the school year, the student will be able to use that money for lunches in the Fall.

School Picnic Date

Moves to June 2nd

The school picnic is planned for the last full day of the school year. Because we had no snow days, the picnic will be held on June 2. This is a change from the school calendar. More information about the picnic will be sent home in a few weeks.

PTO Fundraiser Updates

Profits from Market Day this year were over \$500. Thank you for attending Market Day and all of the PTO fundraisers including our restaurant benefit nights at Buona Beef, Steak n Shake and Chilis. Look for additional evenings and new great locations next year. Your support raises money for programs, classroom parties, assemblies and needed school supplies. We appreciate your generosity.

2010-2011 Registration

Registration packets for the next school year were mailed home a few weeks ago. In the envelope you will find registration forms to be completed and returned, the school calendar, the school supply list and other useful information. You may mail or bring the completed forms to the office.

If you did not receive the large white envelope containing information about our 2010-2011 year, please call the office.

If the forms are not returned, it will be necessary for a parent to come to the school on Registration Day, August 3, 11:30 AM-7:00 PM to register your student for the 2010-2011 school year.

Students attending kindergarten next year must be five years old on or before September 1, 2010. A certified county copy of the certificate of birth is required as proof of birth date and residency must be proven. There is a kindergarten general fee. If you have a child, or know someone who has a child who meets the requirements to attend kindergarten, please come into the office or call to receive more information.

Kindergarten orientation is on August 24. One parent and the student are required to attend. Morning kindergarten orientation is 9:30-10:30 and afternoon orientation is 1:30-2:30. In August, parents will receive a letter including more information and the student's AM or PM placement.

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

April

29—Chili's Fundraiser—All Day

30—Glenbard East Choral Concert

May

4—5th Grade to MMS

12—PTO meeting

13—Jazz Band Concert 7:30 PM

14—Market Day orders due

21—Market Day pick-up

24—Assembly

**27—4th & 5th Grade Orchestra
Breakfast at MMS**

**28—4th Grade Band Breakfast at
MMS**

31—Memorial Day No School

June

2—Kindergarten's last day

School Picnic

Grades 1-5 only

3—Last day of School—1 hour

8:50-9:50 AM

Grades 1-5 only

Have a Great Summer!

First Day of School

August 24, 2010

8:50 AM-3:40 PM

Gym News

Grades 1 & 2 will work on their throwing and catching skills for the next few weeks. They'll start to practice some kicking skills in early May. When playing catch with your child, check to see if they are catching with their hands and not trapping the ball with their arms and chest. When throwing, encourage them to step forward with the foot that is opposite their throwing hand. Grades 4 and 5 will finish their Soccer Unit this week before beginning their Track Unit. The Soccer games we've played in gym class have shown me that they have learned their skills very well. We've been trying to emphasize team play by encouraging more passing than dribbling. Their unselfish play leads to some very competitive games.

We've compiled the final totals from our Jump Rope for Heart Fundraiser. As a school we raised \$4,016.82. The students already received their prizes and now it's time to announce the incentive prize winners that Coach Seidel promised. All students that participated in the fundraiser are invited to attend a Stay & Play Day after school. The students will receive an information flyer with the dates, times, and activities. The 10 students that raised \$100 or more will be invited to a pizza lunch with Coach Seidel. Those students are Daniel Alexandrov, William MacDougall, Nicolas Dieden, Daniel Gospodarek, Katie Black, Kacey Koster, Emily Miller, Kayla Williams, Logan Kurtz, and Andrew Bauer. Kacey Koster, from Mrs. Shemmer's 2nd grade class, was the top individual fundraiser in the school. The \$1,220 she raised was not only the most at Winnebago but also the most in the Chicago metropolitan area! By bringing in the most donations, Kacey will be "Coach For A Day."

April Character Counts Award

Every month students from each class are recognized by teachers for demonstrating quality character in the featured pillar of the month. Fairness and sportsmanship was the pillar for March. Citizenship is the pillar of the month for April. The nominated students for this month are:

First Grade

McKenzie Robbins
Fiona Hull
Dylan Alejandro
Giselle Hernandez
Elizabeth Witek
Arfa Hassan
Julian Juarez
Taqi Ahmed
Omar Villa Zuniga

2nd Grade

Andrea Ross
Martyna Szpara
Tamia Calvin
Esmeralda Padilla
Amy Oleynik
Andy Swais
Juan Tena
Julia Baran
Korriana Wilsonm
Heber Benitez
Alex Jardon

3rd Grade

Bianka Kelly
Sameera Ali
Kintrell Watts
Yesenia Carreto
Destiny Manh
Gabriela Davila
Elijah Dawkins
Deyiona Hunter
Alexis Arneri

4th Grade

Deja Barnes
Diana Gonzalez
Demetrius Owens

5th Grade

Aileen Morales
Aaron Bilal
Devon Ruble
Veronica Arroyo
Angela Valenti
Amenah Basith
Emily Miller
Dasaray Simmons



Congratulations to Mrs. Frost and Mrs. Espinoza. These two mothers are regular volunteers in our building. In recognition of their hard work, they were nominated to attend the Character Counts Volunteer Breakfast. Thanks for your help.

Young Authors Celebrate

Congratulations to our Young Authors of 2010 who submitted books to be judged for the 36th Annual Young Authors' Conference. We had many delightful books created by our students this year. Our winner is Luis Arias with his book titled The Adventure of Luis. He will be representing Winnebago in Springfield at the Young Authors' Conference on May 15th.

Our other talented authors and their books were: Help! by Ava Buttacavoli, Misty and Aqua with Raindrop by Amanah Basith, Alice and the Missing Dress by Krystal Crubaugh, Navie the Frog by Elizabeth Arias, Wizards vs. Vampires by Veronica Luna, The Great Prophecy by Patrick Nguyen, Club Penguin by Sophia Raitano, The Magic Flower and the Girl by Esmeralda Padilla, The Red M&M by Kaleigh Sottile, and Funny Feeling Freak by Katie Black. Once again, congratulations to our talented and creative authors!

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