



Delmar Elementary Bobcat News

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SPRING IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER!

It is hard to imagine that spring will soon be upon us and the local forecast is predicting rising temperatures in the coming weeks. Please remember to have your child wear a jacket because the temperatures are still quite brisk during the morning hours and early in the afternoon when the children go outside for recess.

A special "THANKS" to all our children and their families who participated in our Seventh Annual "Jump Rope for Heart" Fundraiser. The event took place during P. E. classes, allowing everyone a chance to jump rope for a healthy heart. This event could not have happened without the dedication and determination of our Physical Education Department. Thanks to Mr. Taylor, Mr. Thomas and Mr. Walter!! Over 600 students collected donations for the American Heart Association. This year we have collected approximately \$17,363 in pledges and donations which is excellent. Colton Foard, in Ms Moore's second grade class was our top fundraiser for the school. Mr. Taylor, Mr. Thomas and Mr. Walter want to give a big "Pat on the Back" to everyone for doing such an Outstanding Job! 😊



PTA Talent Show

Recently, we held our annual PTA Talent Show. This year's show was just **OUTSTANDING!** The children are to be commended for doing a spectacular job for the selection of their acts, their dedication to rehearsals and the showmanship they displayed. For those of us who had the opportunity to attend, we were treated to a wonderful show of true talent. Special thanks goes to Mr. Rick Lambertson for his time, talents and efforts to direct and coordinate the show. In addition, we want to thank all our parents who gave of their time to make this truly a rewarding and exciting experience for the children. We would also like to recognize Mr. Carlos Mir for his assistance in providing us with lighting, sound and assistance. Thank you Mr. Mir!!



MSA Maryland State Assessment/Testing:

This year all children in Kindergarten through Fifth Grade will be taking standardized tests in the areas of Reading and Mathematics. Students in third, fourth and fifth grade will be taking the **Maryland State Assessment (MSA): Reading will be taken on March 17th and 18th and Math will be given on March 24th and 25th.** The results we receive from the assessments will provide us with valuable information so that we are able to help our students reach their maximum potential. Therefore, it is very important that the children are here everyday working and doing their best. More information will be coming home as we get closer to the testing dates. If you have any questions about the upcoming tests, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Nunzio at school (410-677-5178). The tests results will be sent home at the end of the school year.

Helpful Hints for Parents:

On the Day before the Test: Encourage your child to do their best. Be sure your child gets a good night's sleep.

On The Day of the Test: Parents need to see that their child has a nourishing breakfast and avoid too much sugar and caffeine. Be sure your child is dressed in comfortable clothing and arrives at school on time for the test.

Most Important: Avoid putting too much pressure on your child to do well. It will be better for your child to have a relaxed attitude. Given a relaxed but focused attitude, your child will have a better performance and a healthier attitude toward school.

Kindergarten and PreKindergarten Registration will be held on Thursday, March 19th – If you know of any parent(s) who will be registering their child for the 2009 -10 school year, please encourage them to register early on this day. Parents registering a child will need to bring the following: proof of residency, immunizations, birth certificate and social security card. If you have any concerns, please call the school, 410-677-5178, and we will be happy to clarify any questions. **Hours ~ 8:15 – 12:00 PM and 1:00 – 3:15 PM in the school media center.**

Make-Up Work – this year the school made a slight change with regards to a child being out of school and their make-up work. In the Parent Handbook, we asked that if a child is only out for one day that the make-up work



be given on the day they return to school. If your child is out for two or more days then parents will need to contact the school by 10:00 AM and make the request. This will provide the teacher with a sufficient amount of time to gather their work and have it ready to be picked up in the office at the end of the school day.

Picking-up Children in the Front of the School

With the event of warmer weather, we have seen a trend in the number of parents picking up their children after school. If you do plan to pick up your child, we ask that you follow our mission to provide a safe and orderly environment for our students and staff members. This can be done by following a few simple guidelines:

- Students are not to be picked up in front of the school or down near the bus ramp during dismissal time. All children will be asked to go to the media and wait until their parent arrives to sign them out. We have a number of staff members in the media ready to assist with the sign-out procedure.
- Car riders will continue to be dismissed in the parking lot circle were they will be dismissed to their parents waiting in the car pool line.
- Also, it is imperative that **ALL VISITORS** come to the school office to sign-in and pick up a visitor's badge. Even if you are only staying for a short period of time, we need to be consistent for all visitors.

Thanks and we appreciate your continued support.



February - BOBCAT EXPRESS DELMAR VIBS CAN'T BE BEAT!!!

VIBs (Very Important Bobcats) are chosen from areas, other than the classrooms for using their PAWS consistently. They will each receive a certificate and a badge that, when worn on **Fridays**, allows them to sit anywhere they want during their lunch shift in the cafeteria. We want to **CONGRATULATE** the following students for being chosen as the VIBs (Very Important Bobcats) for January from the Physical Education Department. These students were caught using their PAWS regularly. You did a great job!

Kindergarten

Fleetwood: Brian Spence
Minor: Tristan Harpool
White: Katlyn Kelley
Tardiff: Ashley Brumbley
Griffin: Felicity Shockley
Spicer: Hannah Defelice
Payne: Samaria Baines

2 Grade

Moore: Devin Bunting
McKenzie: Sydney Carpenter
Elzey: Alexandra Ward
Martin: Brendan Hughes
Yurek: Natalie McCollum
Andrews: Kaan Murat
Horsman: Amaya Morris

4 Grade

White: Dana Heath
Blackwell: Kristi Miller
Barnes: Carly Covington
Campbell: Rylee Carter
Elliott: Shawnee Hanley
Sowell: Bryce Defelice
Mumford: Camryn Harris
Marine: Kaitlyn Humphrey

1 Grade

Hudson: Ashlyn Shoemaker
Alhmoud: Gabrielle Joyner
Ray: Victor Bustamante-Gonzalez
Melvin: Chinaka Amajioyi
Mason: Joy Bradshaw
Campbell: Luke Waters
Ford: Griffin Walls

3 Grade

Kaiser: Harold Robinson
Cullen: Montana Riddle
Lewis: Carter Parsons
Parks: William Schuyler
Smith: Brittney Cahall
Switalski: Bonnie Rae Malcomson
Throm: Marley Ruark

5 Grade

Owens: Dejah Coulbourne
Rockwell: Maxwell Meegan
Ferrell: Pamela Carey
Taylor: Lauren Fleetwood
Wood: Brittany Deal
Moore: Drew Michaels

Upcoming PTA Events

- PTA meeting is March 9th at 6:30 PM
- **DELMAR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NIGHT AT CHILI'S - THURSDAY, MARCH 12TH FROM 11 AM - 11 PM**
2750 N. SALISBURY BLVD. SALISBURY, MD 410-860 4700
WITH EACH FLYER PRESENTED CHILI'S WILL DONATE 10% OF THE SALES TO OUR SCHOOL.

Pop Warner FOOTBALL & CHEER SIGNUPS!!!

SATURDAY, MARCH 28th, 2009

DELMAR HIGH SCHOOL

Rear Entrance

Cheerleading: From 8am until 9am

Football: From 9:30am until 10:30am

- Please bring a copy of your child's birth certificate!
- Football: Bring participant to be sized for uniform!!

\$75 registration fee per child
\$60 each additional family member

