

Lake in the Hills Elementary Family Newsletter April 2010

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From the Principal's Desk

Dear Families,

Students, parents, staff, and even the principal can all breathe a sigh of relief that the ISAT tests are over. The test booklets are boxed up and will be sent away for scoring. We will anxiously wait for our school results. In talking with many of our students, the students overall feel confident that they did well.

Happy Spring! Saturday, March 20th is the first day of Spring with the District 300 Spring Break quickly following from Monday, March 29th-Sunday, April 4th. I hope that you and your family have a wonderful and safe break whether you are traveling to some fun place or just spending time together as a family. Please note that the school office will be closed during Spring break.

As always please do not hesitate to contact me with questions or concerns. I can be reached at 847/532-6900 or email me at tamara.poole@d300.org.

Mrs. Poole

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Registration for kindergarten for the 2010-2011 school year will be held on Monday, May 3rd-Friday, May 7th from 9-3. Children must be five years old by September 1, 2010. Please bring to registration with you your child's birth certificate, updated physical and immunization records, and three proofs of residency. Please feel free to share this information with friends and neighbors. In the event that the above hours do not fit your schedule please call the office and we can set up a time that will fit your needs.

DISTRICT WIDE REGISTRATION

It is time to start thinking about the next school year and registration. District wide registration is being held in each school building on the following dates: July 12-14 from 12-8PM. The buildings will be closed on July 15th and 16th. Any questions please feel free to call the school office. Continue to read the monthly newsletter as we provide more information as it comes. Registration packets will come home the week of April 19th.

NO CELL PHONES IN A SCHOOL ZONE LAW

This law took effect on January 1st, 2010. According to the new law: "A person, regardless of age, may not use a wireless telephone at any time while operating a motor vehicle on a roadway in a school speed zone." There are exceptions for a person engaged in highway construction, maintenance, emergencies and when the phone is in voice activated mode. To read the text of this law please use this link: www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicats/fulltext.asp?Name=096-0131

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From Nurse Gail.....



Parents/Guardians:

Physical Examination Requirements:

All students entering early childhood, kindergarten, sixth and ninth grades for the 2010-2011 school year are required to have a current physical examination on file with the school nurse. A current exam is one that was completed within one year of entry into early childhood, kindergarten, sixth, and ninth grade. The examination must be completed and signed by a parent or guardian. All required immunizations must be up to date. We urge you to make an appointment early and to keep a copy of the examination and immunizations for your records. All forms must be completed and returned to the school nurse no later than the first day of attendance. Students that do not meet these requirements will not be allowed to attend school until these requirements have been met.

Dental Examination Requirements:

All students entering kindergarten, second, and sixth grades for the 2010-2011 school year are required to have a dental examination. Dental examinations are due by May 15 of the year that the student is enrolled in kindergarten, second, and sixth grade. A current dental examination is one that was completed within 18 months of May 15. The dental examination must be recorded on the approved Illinois Department of Public Health form. Please contact Nurse Gail with any questions (847/532-6911).



Thank you from the Media Center to the following students and teachers for donating birthday books:

Emily Pena: For donating several books to the Media Center

Dylan Goll: Monday with a Mad Genius

Destiny Thomas: Fancy Nancy

James Tanhueco: Call Me Gorgeous!

Justin Marquardt: The Lorax

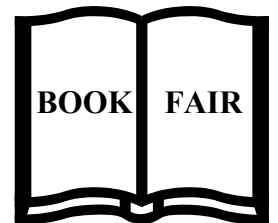
Mrs. Woods: The World According to Humphrey and

Summer According to Humphrey



ART FAIR/BOOK FAIR/BAKE SALE

We are hoping for a large crowd again this year at our annual Art Fair/Book Fair/Bake Sale. As always, the local artists are the 494 talented students that we have at Lake in the Hills Elementary. Each child will have various art projects on display for proud family members to see. The Art Fair/Book Fair will be set up in the gym. Please feel free to bring proud grandparents and other family members to share in this special school event and to enjoy some baked goods. This special night is Friday, April 9th from 5-8PM. All proceeds go to support the school. This event is sponsored by the LITH PTC.



THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to all our volunteers who have helped in any capacity this year as a TAP volunteer, field trip chaperone, room parent, etc... We have a special event being planned to honor you. This special event will take place on Monday, April 19th from 3:00-3:45 in the Media Center. Please mark this important event on your calendar and come out to school so we can honor you for all that you do! This year's theme is: We are Spotting our Super Volunteers!!!

INTERNET AND CELL PHONE SAFETY PRESENTATION BY LAKE IN THE HILLS POLICE

The Lake in the Hills Police Department welcomes you and your child to come to an internet and cell phone safety presentation that will cover texting, sexting, social websites, and Internet safety. Children today are very savvy with computer skills so it is important to try to stay one step ahead of them in regards to being safe on the internet etc... This event will be held in the gym at LITH Elementary on Tuesday, March 23 at 7:00PM. Children are strongly encouraged to attend with their parents.

From Our Gym Teacher, Mrs. Allen.....

Brrrrrrrrrr..... the weather outside was frightful, but inside the gym classes were delightful!

Pillo Polo was our first main winter sport. Although the theory and difficulty of the skills varied with each grade level, the idea of the sport is the same. Also called Softee Polo, this game is another type of hockey using straight sticks with large, foam heads. The game may be played indoors or out, for both boys and girls of all ages. The acceptable number of players per team side is usually 6; since our classes here are much larger, I stretch that to 8 players to a side, and so 16 students can play at once. We then switch to allow the other half of the class to get equal playing time. The object of the game is to score goals against the opposing team by sending a foam ball in their net. Students are allowed to use only their sticks to hit the ball; kicking the ball or using your hands constitutes a penalty. 1st through 5th grade classes were divided into teams, and played against each other. Kindergarten classes focused on the fundamentals of gripping and carrying a stick, dribbling, passing, fielding, and shooting for a goal. These skills were incorporated into the games that were played in 1st- 5th grades. Fun was had by all classes as we developed our cardiovascular fitness and eye/hand coordination skills.

Our gym was transformed into a Bowling alley in late February and early March as white pins and balls were set up to simulate 7 lanes of a Bowling Alley. Students first received instruction on the fundamentals of Bowling through a video presentation, and then "took to the lanes" as we bowled and learned the meanings of pocket, head pin, strike, spare, approach, and most importantly, how to set up 10 pins to look like "the real thing." Pin spotters set up the pins while another person bowled, and then switched places. Many students found out that they were quite good at knocking the pins down and aiming for a target.




In April, all grades will have the opportunity to test their skills and endurance by participating in the annual JUMPATHON. Sponsored by the American Heart Association, the students will join in the fight to reduce America's No.1 and No.3 killers, heart disease and stroke. Students who collect donations will be rewarded with prizes as a token of appreciation from the Heart Association. All classes will jump rope during their regular P.E. classes during the week of April 19th - 23rd. Please support us in this exciting event!

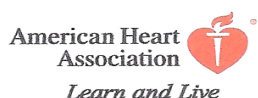
Mrs. Allen
Physical Education Specialist



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2 DISTRICT 300 CLOSED	3
				SPRING BREAK		
4 HAPPY EASTER	5 Classes Resume	6	7	8 Market Day Pick-Up 5—6:00 PM	9 Art Fair Bake Sale Book Fair 5:00—8:00 PM 	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 Volunteer Appreciation Tea 3—3:45 PM	20 Noodles & Company (Crystal Lake) Family Night 4—9 PM	21	22 4th Grade Concert 7:00 PM 	23 PTC Family Dance 6:30—8:30 PM 	24
25	26	27	28	29	30 Mid-Terms Go Home	MAY 1



IT TAKES HEART TO BE A HERO!

“It’s very easy to put the information sent home on the back burner if heart disease is not in your life. But my son is here today because of the research and awareness that has been made possible by the American Heart Association. If this had happened years ago, Nicholas might not be here. The folks who participate in Jump Rope For Heart are helping kids who have these issues now — and those who have yet to be born. As a mother of a child with a heart condition, I’m so grateful to anyone who can participate in any way. Every bit helps. Thank you.”

— Karin, mother of Nicholas, 6, heart disease survivor

Dear Parent/Guardian,

It takes heart to be a hero! I’m thrilled that our school is participating in a very special community service program: the American Heart Association’s Jump Rope For Heart.

By participating in Jump Rope For Heart, your child will join millions of other children across the country in a meaningful opportunity to learn and help others. They will learn how their hearts work and how to take care of them through physical activity and nutrition. And they will learn about children who have been affected by cardiovascular disease and how they can help them. In short, your child will have fun and feel good by helping others.

Help your child get involved! Help them with their learning and with their fund raising! They’ll be bringing home some assignments to help them understand nutrition and health — and they may be practicing new jump rope skills. Your child will also be raising money to help others who have cardiovascular disease, including kids! You can help by asking friends and family to give in support of your child’s efforts. Our Web site makes it easy. Your child can set up a Web page and you can e-mail friends/family to make secure donations. Visit americanheart.org/jump to get started.

We are really excited about this year’s Jump Rope For Heart event and the experience it offers our students. We hope you will support your child’s participation in this lifesaving, educational event. To learn more about the American Heart Association, Jump Rope For Heart, how children are affected by heart disease and how to keep your own family healthy, visit americanheart.org/jump.

Let’s help our children be heart heroes!

Sincerely,
*American Heart Association
Youth Market*

Special Notes:

- Your child will receive thank-you gifts based on the donations he or she collects (or you can elect not to receive them.)
- Our school will also earn free physical education equipment
- For the safety of our children, we ask that your child not go door-to-door or ask strangers for donations.