

Graham's Good News



March 15, 2011

Graham School's instructional focus: **To Comprehend I must read carefully, listen closely, understand fully, and respond thoughtfully.**



Dates to Remember

March 18

End of Third Quarter
2:00 Dismiss

March 24

Spring Musical/ Book Fair

April 6

2:00 Dismissal

April 7-25

NO SCHOOL- Spring Break

April 25

Teacher Institute Day- NO SCHOOL

A Note from the Principal

Hello All

I am excited to say we have almost completed ISAT testing. We have only one more student who was absent most of last week which we need to finish testing. The 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students all worked exceptionally hard this week during ISAT testing. They persevered when the testing got tough, took their time, and read carefully. I am very hopeful that our students will show an improvement in scores. Thank you for making sure your child got a good nights sleep and arrived to school on time.

Next week, March 24, we will be hosting our spring musical and book fair. The book fair will be open for purchasing on Thursday evening from 5:00-6:00 and again after the musical. The musical will begin at 6:00. The Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd graders will be performing. I am sure it will be marvelous because they have put in a great deal of time practicing. After the music program we would like to invite all families to visit over cookies and punch and to visit the book fair and look for your next great read.

REMINDER, REMINDER, REMINDER...There is school on April 4, 5th, and 6th due to the snow days in February. Spring break will start on April 7th. We will return from spring break on April 26th.

SNOW DAYS

We will have our Emergency Weather Make Up days on April 4, 5, 6 and June 9. Please note this will change when our Spring and Summer Breaks starts. These do count as mandatory attendance days for your child.

SPRING MUSICAL/ BOOK FAIR

Join us on Thursday, March 24th for our annual Spring Musical. Kindergarten through 2 grade will be performing in the Graham School Gym starting at 6:30. We will be serving cookies and punch in the Cafeteria after the musical.

We will also be having our Book Fair. Stop in and shop for new books for your child's home library. Doors will open for the Book Fair at 5:00 p.m. and close for the music program at 6:00 p.m. It will reopen again after the music program is over.

EARLY DISMISSAL

This Friday, March 18th will be a 2:00 dismissal. Please make arrangements for early pick up or additional after school care.

SPRING PICTURES DUE

If you are not purchasing your child's Spring Picture Package please return it to the main office immediately.

If you have not returned the pictures you must pay for them. Payment envelopes are in the package, please return it to the main office.

Lifetouch will pick up pictures and payments this Thursday, so please bring them to the office as soon as possible.

PEPSI CAPS

Graham School will be participating in the Pepsi cap collection. Pepsi products which contain the special yellow community cares cap is worth \$.05 to Graham Elementary School. What a great and easy way to help our school raise additional funds for student and teacher use. Please send your caps to school between March 1-April 30.



Tardy Reminders

School starts at 8:25 am. If your child enters the building after 8:30 am, you will need to escort them to the office and sign them in. Tardy students must receive a pass to proceed to class. Every tardy after the 3rd unexcused tardy, the student will serve a lunchtime detention. Please make sure your child is at school and on time in the morning. Every minute counts towards their instructional time.