



March

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL Hinda R. Smith

As you know, our third, fourth and fifth graders are involved with the Maryland State Assessment (MSA) from March 8-March 16. These assessments satisfy the federal requirements for the No Child Left Behind provision of the ESEA law. The PES School Improvement Team uses the results from yearly testing to help focus our school wide learning priorities, as well as on improving the academic performance of each child.

For the past three years, Perryville Elementary School has been recognized by the Maryland State Board of Education for outstanding performance on the Maryland School Assessment. We have also consistently outperformed the county and state averages in both reading and math. This is due to a great deal of hard work by our teachers, staff, parents, and students. Let's continue this proud tradition of academic excellence for PES!

Looking out the window right now it is hard to believe, but spring is right around the corner!! With good weather comes the desire to spend more time outdoors. Little League and other outdoor activities will be starting, but we ask that you continue to make school a priority by (1) checking homework, (2) promoting daily reading, (3) replenishing needed school supplies, (4) getting students to school and on time, and (5) calling school personnel with any questions or concerns.

As you know, many dates have changed due to the inclement weather days, and the last day of school is now June 18. Please continue to check future newsletters and notes home about any other changes. Yes, it is hard to imagine, but our Spring Break is quickly approaching! I would like to wish you and your family a happy and healthy spring holiday season!!

Guess what is coming in March for third, fourth, and fifth grade.... The Maryland State Assessment (a.k.a. **The MSA**)!! To get our students excited about taking the test, we have planned four days in March that will have a test-taking theme. On each day the students in grades 3-5 will be working on MSA related problems in either Math or Reading, while having fun participating in the theme. Students in PreK-2 will also participate in the theme to show their support. Please encourage your child to take part in the activities listed below. Below are the dates and the theme:

- March 2—wear a sweatshirt because it is not “sweat” when it comes to taking a test.
- March 3– wear sneakers because we won't let the test “sneak” up on us. We will be prepared!
- March 4-wear a baseball cap because we will put a “cap” on negative thinking. We can do it!
- March 5-wear sunglasses because our students will shine during the test.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us! Thank you for all your hard work and let's get testing!!

Sincerely,

Perryville Elementary Teachers

March 2010

- 1-2 Book Swap (Pick-Up before school)
- 2 Fundraiser Order Due
- 6 Destination Imagination Regional Tournament
- 8 Interim Reports Issued to Students
- 8-16 MSA Testing for Grades 3-5
- 14 Daylight Savings Time Begins
- 16 PTA Meeting 6 PM
- 19 Spelling Bee Gr. 3/4 @ 9:15 AM
- 20 Spelling Bee Gr. 5 @ 10:15
- 21 Spring Begins
- 22-26 Spring Book Fair
- 23 Spring Book Fair Family Night 4-7 PM
- 23 Fundraiser Pick-Up
- 25 Subworks Family Night
- 26 School Spirit Day Panda Pride
- 29 Running Club Begins
- 30 End of Third Marking Period

April 2010

- 1-6 Spring Holiday Schools Closed
- 7 Kindergarten Registration Begins
- 13 End of Third Marking Period
- 14 Pre-Kindergarten Registration Begins
- 21 Report Cards Issued to Students

Grade 3 Testing Schedule

Monday March 8 Math
 Tuesday March 9 Math
 Monday March 15 Reading
 Tuesday March 16 Reading

Grade 4 Testing Schedule

Monday March 8 Reading
 Tuesday March 9 Reading
 Thursday March 11 Math
 Friday March 12 Math

Grade 5 Testing Schedule

Wednesday March 10 Reading
 Thursday March 11 Reading
 Monday March 15 Math
 Tuesday March 16 Math

Make Up Testing Dates: All tests must be made up on the following dates: March 18, 19, 22 & 23.

What's Happening at PES!

Spelling Bee

Perryville Elementary School's Annual Spelling Bee has been re-scheduled for Friday, March 19 at 9:15 a.m. for grades three and four, and grade five at 10:15 a.m. All spelling bees will be held in the media center.

Two student spelling bee contestants must be chosen for each homeroom class during a Spelling Bee Selection Round. Each grade level must use the same selection process.

PTA News

Book Swap

Pick up: Monday, March 1 (before school)
Tuesday, March 2 (before school)

If students still have tickets leftover from our first swap, they can be used during this swap.

Kindergarten Registration:

Registration starts for kindergarten on Wednesday, April 7. Your child must be five years of age on or before September 1, 2010. Please bring to registration the following: a copy of child's birth certificate, social security card, proof of residency, and an up-to-date immunizations record.

Pre-Kindergarten Registration:

Registration starts for Pre-Kindergarten on Wednesday, April 14. Your child must be four years of age on or before September 1, 2010. All children must be toilet-trained. Please bring to registration the following: a copy of birth certificate, social security card, proof of residency and an up-to-date immunization record.

The following items will be accepted for Proof of Residency: Renter's lease, mortgage/deed of trust, utility bill (ie gas or electric), cable bill, property tax bill, home settlement papers or Documentation of Residency.

Please complete if you have a child to register for the upcoming 2010-2011 school year for Pre-Kindergarten or Kindergarten and return to the main school office:

Name: _____ DOB: _____ Circle: Pre-K or Kindergarten

Parent(s) Name: _____ Daytime Telephone No.: _____

Friendly Reminders

Birthday/Party Celebrations: Please remember, that due to allergies and certain food restrictions, that all goodies and treats brought into school for celebrations must be store-bought. It is also important that arrangements be made with your child's teacher at least one day in advance so plans can be made accordingly for those students with allergies.

Healthy Lunches: Also, we are continuing to teach our children about the food pyramid. If you are bringing in lunch for your child, please help support our school in our efforts to promote healthy eating habits. A packed lunch from home is much more healthy than fast food.

Guidance with Mrs. Joanne Carradin, M.Ed



During the month of March guidance will begin to focus on the theme of "being the best student we can be". We will be discussing topics such as responsibility, listening, organization, study skills, and goal setting. Grasping these skills, also with regular attendance, is a recipe for success!

This month, PES highlights the character trait of self-discipline. Self-discipline means to think about your words and actions, and then making choices that are right for you and others. Some words that you can discuss with your child are: self-control, willpower, and patience. Self-discipline can be a challenging, but very worthwhile trait master.

We will be seeing some new faces in our building starting this month. Several students from Perryville High School will be mentoring in our classrooms. These mentors will be working with students and teachers in the classroom. This is a wonderful opportunity, and we are excited to see the benefits that these mentors will bring to our school.

Scholastic Spring Book Fair at PES

Mark your calendars—so you don't miss our spring Scholastic Book Fair. We are celebrating our book fair in the Media Center, March 22-26. A special Family Event is planned for Tuesday, March 23, 2010 from 4:00-7:00 p.m., which you will not want to miss!

Our Book Fair gives you and your children the opportunity to buy carefully selected, quality books and products at affordable prices. You'll enjoy all of the excitement. Plus, our Book Fair serves as a fundraiser for our school. The funds generated from your purchases made at the Book Fair, will benefit the school library. The funds will be used to purchase new books and equipment for student use.

At our Book Fair, we're offering you the chance to give the gift of reading. You can help your child's classroom increase its library with the Classroom Wish List program. Just look for our Classroom Wish List Display.

Our Scholastic Book Fair will be a great event for everyone. We invite you to attend and look forward to seeing you. Happy Reading!

Perfect Attendance

(No absences, no tardies and no leaving school early)

Didem Akbay Dominic Anderson Jasmine Anderson-Moises Dylan Barrow
Rosemarie Berger Emilee-Ann Briney Austen Bowman Casey Brogan
Christopher Brooks Dajai Brown Dustin Brown Mikayla Bryant
Cole Chestnut Sanaa Clagon Rodney Colenda Samantha Dill
Conner Edwards Brooke Fadeley Jared Fadeley Kristyn Gardner
Brendan Glover Mackenzie Griest Dominic Gugliotta Vincent Gugliotta
Jacob Helensky Rebecca Helensky Kyle Himes Elyce Howell Aryanna Huffstutler
Jireh Jones Kevin Jones Michael Kelly Tricia Kelly Daniel Linton Kiara Locklear
McKinley Locklear George Logan Hailey Lutter Cordelia Maxam Cullen McCoy
Madison McGuigan Cade McMillan Catrina Perry Camryn Reed Alexis Reedy
Emilia Romano Nicholas Romano Chase Rondone Chase Ross Kristen Schoerner
Max Shires Brooke Smith Noah Stone Jason Stuart Alexis Tunnell
Arianna Varela Frederick Wagner Robert Wagner Nicholas Walters

Excellent Attendance

(No more than two absences, or tardies, or leaving school early)

Deondre Anderson Courtney Anderson-Moises Christopher Baczkeski Jared Badger
Jacob Baker Brian Baldwin Ryan Berger Hunter Bines Alex Bowen
Katlyn Bowen Jaelyn Briney Nathan Brotzman Aaliyah Brown Allison Brown
Faith Brown Jalen Brown Amari Bryant Mark Butcher Dimitrius Castillo
Gavin Chestnut William Chestnut Trevor Cianferano Camryn Cooper
Karinda Corcoran Jacob Cordell Alvin Council Ryan Crowson Kadi Davis
Katherine Dawson Joseph Dixon Tarren Dumolo Abigayle Dunn Adriana Ercole
Laura Ercole Josiah Ewing Ethan Ferrall Reese Ferrall Chloe Fowler
Maxim Fowler Andrea Gardner Connor Gatton Christian Giuliano Xavier Grant
Noah Gravely Leani Gray Jackson Hagar Adrianna Harding Grace Harreld
Kortni Hewitt Caleb Horn Madison Howes Isaiah Huffstutler Caleb Hurt
David Jacobs James Johnson Payton Jourdan Mikhala Kemp
Joshua Kirchner Emma Klepitch Isabella Klotz Christian Ledman
Kyle Leffew Jacky Lin Thomas Linkey Hannah Linton Brooklyn Logan
Benjamin Losoya Kayla Losoya Jasmine Lowery Hannah Lutter
Christopher McIntire Leah McKinney Austin Miller Evan Miller
Jordan Mitchell Trevor Mitchell Quran Moamin Fayzon Moamin
Isabelle Moravec Benjamin Morrison Mackenzie Morrison Erin Murphy
Kaidan Neff Cael Orem Lucan Patchell Christopher Perez Jacob Perry
Jordyn Pollitt Paris Pontown-Fender Jacob Potter Nolan Quadrini
Timothy Reth Victoria Rychwalski Margaret Sadiq Andrew Sadler
Kiara Salcedo-Rosas Neyshka Salcedo-Rosas Hailey Salyer Kenneth Salyer
Eternity Sanders Paige Schmidt Brandon Sexton Breanna Sexton
Freedom Sexton Jacob Shrewsbury Nathan Shrewsbury Ava Stephens
Erin Stiffler Christopher Stifler Cody Stone Josh Strock Jillian Tenney
Jocelyn Testerman Hunter Ulrich Andruw VanDerWerff
Dakota VanDerWerff Nicholas Vogt Amanda Wagner Max Waite
Morgan Walters Kaitlyn Wancowicz Joseph Weiman Cooper Wilcox
Amante' Williams Brennan Woodall Ethan Woodie

Congratulation Pandas!

Look How Well Everyone Is Doing

Honor Roll

(All A's/All Consistently Evident)

Jared Badger Austen Bowman Dajai Brown Alysa Conway Jack Duff
Ilario Ercole Megan Gibson Christina Giuliano Dominic Gugliotta
Joel Hudson Caleb Hurt Trey Jenkins Jireh Jones Josh Kidd
Amanda Klepitch Emma Klepitch Ellen Little Alex Liu Logan Lloyd
Kayla Losoya Cullen McCoy Madison McGuigan Tyler Mitchell Edyn Morris
Jadynn Rondone Neyshka Salcedo-Rosas Paige Schmidt Kristin Schoerner
Max Shires Brooke Smith Robert Wagner Bethany Wheeler
Cooper Wilcox Ethan Woodie

Honor Roll

All A's, & B's (one C if you have an A)

Didem Akbay Dominic Anderson Bradley Bachelor Chris Baczeski Brian Baldwin
Rosemarie Berger Ryan Berger Hunter Bines Katlyn Bowen Jarret Bowman
Quinton Bracken Tristen Bracken Kaitlyn Bratcher Jaelyn Briney Casey Brogan
Aaliyah Brown Faith Brown Amari Bryant Brody Caldwell Sanaa Clagon
Rodney Colenda Tyler Corcoran Charles Cummings Kadi Davis Abigayle Dunn
Conner Edwards Mariana Ercole Josiah Ewing Jared Fadeley Matthew Famularo
Trey Fluker Chloe Fowler Max Fowler Andrea Gardner Kristyn Gardner
Connor Gatton Brendan Glover Katelyn Godfrey Xavier Grant Noah Gravely
Bailey Greenwell Mackenzie Griest Vincent Gugliotta Jackson Hagar
Jonathon Hamamcioglu Lacey Hare Grace Harreld Jake Helensky Rebecca Helensky
Kyle Himes Alexandra Hudson Ashley Huey David Jacobs Loren Jarmon
Thomas Jenkins Tyler Jenkins Payton Jourdan Andrew Kelly Tricia Kelly
Luke Koldus Kyle Leffew Aubri Lilly Jacky Lin Thomas Linkey Hannah Linton
Mara Little Ben Losoya Hailey Lutter Corie Mahan Kacey Marcinkevich
Caleb McDonal Chris McIntire Austin Miller Jordan Mitchell Trevor Mitchell
Quran Moamin Taylor Mundy Erin Murphy Kierstin Neary Sharon Novosel
Gia Occhiogrosso Olivia Ogdin Cael Orem Mirikole Overstreet Sarah Pender
Catrina Perry Jacob Perry Eric Phillips Jordyn Pollitt Nolan Quadrini Camryn Reed
Emilia Romano Nicolas Romano Elizabeth Rovine Victoria Rychwalski
Kiara Salcedo-Rosas Hailey Salyer Kenneth Salyer Autumn Sanderson
Breanna Sexton Freedom Sexton Nathan Shrewsbury Jazmine Simmons
Alex Singleton Trent Slone Kyle Snow Alex Sohl TyeSean Stephenson
Erin Stiffler Gavin Strawbridge Jason Stuart Patrick Sullivan Nadia Taylor
Jillan Tenney Delaney Trenkle Alexis Tunnell Druw VanDerWerff
Skylar Vanderwiele Arianna Varela Nick Vogt Amanda Wagner
Frederick Wagner Max Waite Morgan Walters Kaitlyn Wancowicz Joseph Weiman
Sonya Wilcox Amante' Williams Ciera Woodrow Hannah Woodrow Matthew Woods
Raymond Woods Catalina Woosley Hunter Zacerous Zac Zacerous
Nicole Zurvalec

Character Education Trait

February

Honesty

Mrs. McGinley: George Logan & Kayleigh Sturgill

Mrs. Algire: Asyah Brown & Gabriel Brostrand

Mrs. Hayward: Andrew Sadler & Sydney Sohl

Mrs. Juno: Brooke Fadeley & Angel Ayala

Mrs. Carbaugh: Christian Ledman & Kristyn Gardner

Mrs. Lewis: Mackenzie Boyle & Tyler Corcoran

Ms. Miller: Shannon Mahan & Desiree Thompson

Mrs. Forehand: Brooke Smith & Jackson Hagar

Ms. Powels: Courtney Snow & Christopher Brooks

Mrs. Waddell: Austen Bowman & Autumn Sanderson

Mrs. Bright: Kacey Marcinkevich & Kyle Leffew

Mrs. Obenchain: Loren Jarmon & Jack Duff

Ms. Thiess: Nicole Zurvolec & Vince Gugliotta

Mrs. Ashby: Leani Gray & Jake Baker

Mrs. Grant: Quinton Bracken & Edyn Morris

Mrs. Sickels: Rosemarie Berger & Trevor Mitchell

Ms. Butt: Max Shires & Hailey Lutter

Mrs. Fuller: Nathan Shrewsbury & Abigayle Dunn

Mrs. Marousek: Alysa Conway & Trey Jenkins

Honesty means always telling the truth and doing the right thing. An honest person would never steal someone else's things, is trustworthy and always sincere when giving praise to another.

Bringing Up Grades

(Improved 2 grades during the marking period without any grades going down)

Tristen Bracken Aaliyah Brown Dimitrius Castillo Trevor Cianferano
Alysa Conway Katie Dawson Adrianna Ercole Laura Ercole
Ellyce Howell Ashley Huey Trey Jenkins Jacob Potter
Sean Reaves Timothy Reth Victoria Rychwalski Bethany Wheeler

