



Davis Elementary Newsletter

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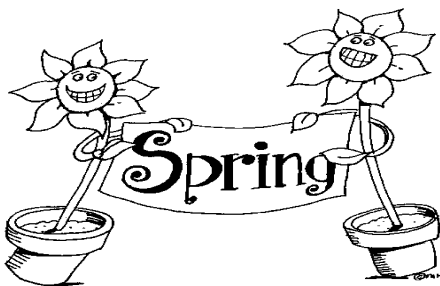
Calendar of Events

April

- 1-6 SPRING BREAK
- 8 PTA Board Mtg
- 13 Little Caesar's Fundraiser
Orders Due
- 15 PTA Meeting
3:30 in Gym
- 16 Kindergarten Roundup
1 - 3 pm
- 20 Community Council Mtg
4:00 in Library
- 21 Celebrating the Arts 6 pm
- 22 - 23 Kindergarten Screening
- 24 CJC Sex Abuse Awareness
Walk 10 am • Rec Center
- 28 Little Caesar Fundraiser
Pick Up 3- 5:30 in gym

MAY

- 13-14 PTA Convention
- 18 Community Council Mtg
4:00 in Library
- 20 5th Grade Art Expo
(tentative)
- 20 PTA Meeting
3:30 in Gym
- 22 Community Swap
9 am - 4 pm at Naples Park
- 24 FIELD DAY
- 27 Last Day of Kindergarten
- 28 1/2 Day
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL



YearBooks For Sale \$18.
order forms in the office.

From the Principal's Desk

Hello and Happy Spring to all the great families of Davis Elementary! It is hard to believe that we only have two months left before summer break! Before we can look forward to that vacation, we all, parents and teachers alike, need to support and encourage our students during the upcoming testing period. I often hear the complaint that the students are "tested to death." Over the years, it does seem that we have added more and more tests. Our district is in a consortium with other districts who would like to replace the CRT testing that is done every year with the NWEA test that is given three times a year.

However, this year we have to give both tests. The NWEA test is an important tool that our teachers need to plan their instruction. It lets them know how much the students have grown over a given length of time. With that knowledge, they can give students who aren't making sufficient growth extra time and help. It also helps teachers to make decisions about their instruction. So, even though testing is sometimes thought of as a bad thing, particularly if there is too much, it is necessary in the educational process to help us make the best educational decisions for your students.

Here are some suggestions that you as parents can do to help your students during this testing season:

1. Make sure your child gets to school on time every day. Excessive absenteeism during this time could cause incomplete or inaccurate testing results.
2. Make sure your child gets plenty of sleep. Being well rested helps with concentration.
3. Make sure your child eats a good breakfast before coming to school.

Join with us in encouraging your children to do their best on all the tests that they take. We will be giving them pep talks every day about the importance of showing what they truly know.

As always, thanks for all you do as the parents of our students. It is a pleasure to serve in a school with so much parental support.

Kathy Farnsworth, Principal

Teacher's Corner

Tami Valora was chosen to receive one of the Showalter Endowments as Teacher of the Year through the Uintah Schools Foundation. She will be presented with this award on Thursday, April 15th at the Fifth Grade Challenge at Uintah High School at 6:30. All students and parents are invited to attend. Yeah, Miss Valora!

LIBRARY—I need to have **ALL** of the library books turned in by April 30th. Will you please put forth a little extra effort and see that your children's books are found and returned. If they truly are lost, please make arrangements for it to be accounted for. I really appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

ART- The Magnet Fundraiser has been extended. All written orders are due Monday April 12th. Online Orders are due April 16th at www.displaymyart.com. YOUR CHILDS art will make a great gift and preserve a memory. All proceeds will support our Art Department for next year.

NO ART Club April 21st! Final ART club will be April 28th.

Jamie Toftum, Art Specialist

Mommy Son Hoe Down

Yee Haw and Yippy-Ti-Yi-Yo! Friday March 26th was the Mother and Son Hoe Down. We had a rootin-tootin good 'ol time. We played bingo, made sand art boot necklaces, had our pictures taken, learned how to rope, and square danced the night away. Thanks to all the Moms and their little cowpokes who came out to support it. It was a night filled with great fun, great friends, and great grub!
We will not be printing any pictures. If you would like the picture emailed to you, please send a note to the office with your son's name and an email address or you can email a request to ambrdn@gmail.com.

PTA Board Elections

We are in need of individuals who would like to show their support of Davis Elementary by becoming part of our PTA family. Elections will be held at our PTA Meeting on Thursday, April 15th @ 3:30 pm in the gym. Please plan on attending and casting your vote.

Kindergarten Roundup

Friday, April 16 1:00 - 3:00 pm

If you have a child or know a child who will be entering Kindergarten at Davis in the Fall of 2010, please plan to attend Kindergarten Roundup. Students must be 5 years old or older by September 1, 2010.

Children need not attend.

Please bring the following: Birth Certificate and Immunization Records

Little Caesar's Fundraiser



On March 25th we sent home the **Little Caesar's** Fundraiser to raise money for school programs sponsored by the PTA. The kits are very convenient for on-the-go families. ******Each Pizza Kit makes THREE pizzas!******

Orders are due on Tuesday, April 13th.

Orders must be turned into your teacher. Be sure you have the student's name, telephone number & teacher on the order form. Please don't forget.

Fundraiser Pickup is on Wednesday, April 28th from 3 - 5:30 pm.

This will be the only day for pickup, please make necessary arrangements. You are responsible to pick up and deliver your order. ***Please remember the items are pericshable and must be delivered right away.***

Awards are as follows: -Sell just 2 items and receive a SMENCIL -Sell 10 items and you are invited to our ROOTBEER FLOAT PARTY, - a PIZZA PARTY will be awarded to the 2 classes (K-2 & 3-5) with the most participation. ***THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!!!***

Davis PTA

Celebrating the Arts

School wide concert and art gallery- -Wednesday, April 21st @ 6 pm

Join us as we combine Math Night with our annual Night of Celebrating the Arts. As you walk the halls and view their displayed ART WORK, you will be amazed at the talented students at Davis Elementary. Visit the classrooms to learn new and exciting ways to help your student with their math skills. Sit back and relax as you enjoy MUSICAL and DANCE presentations from each grade. Each class has been working hard to prepare for this night. Please make sure your student is here to participate. There will be fabulous prizes to WIN in our fundraiser drawing! Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$1.00 each. The more you buy the better your chance to win! Prizes include: A beautiful quilt made by Art Club, various musical instruments, iTunes gift cards, LOTS of great art supplies and other great prizes!

Community Swap

While spring cleaning you have the power to change someone's life. Donate your unwanted items such as: clean clothing, shoes, bedding, house décor, dishes, furniture, toys etc... to our Community Swap.

Mark your calendars for May 22, 2010 at the Naples City Park 9:00 am to 4:00pm.

Shop with ease everything is FREE!!

Donations can be dropped off at 223 south 100 west (blue building) or Call 790-4827 for pick up.

A bake sale will be provided.

Thanks for your support Naples 1st Ward Youth

Davis Students are ***Trustworthy Respectful Responsible Fair Caring Citizens!!***