

WHPTO "BIG TOP" CARNIVAL

The Whipple Heights PTO is having its annual carnival this coming Saturday, March 8, 2014 from 4:00-6:00pm.

Don't forget to send in your presale ticket forms by this Thursday so your child can have a chance to have his/her name drawn from the Friday raffle. The winner will receive a special lanyard with all sorts of free tickets to use at Saturday's carnival!



Save the Date: April 15, 2014

This year, the *Whipple Heights Art Show* will be held Tuesday, April 15th starting at 6:00pm, preceding the *All School Slide Show*. The theme this year is "Art is...", with each grade level displaying art based on one, or more, of the Elements of Art (line, shape, color, texture, form, value and space).

We are expanding this event slightly this year, with a scavenger hunt for prizes, make & take tables, etc. It should be a very fun night!



Upcoming Events

Below is a listing of specific events scheduled for this coming month!

Tuesday	March 4 th	Achievement Quest 3 rd Grade Reading (3:30-5:00pm) Boy Scout Meeting in Café (6:30pm) Daisy Scout Meeting in Art Room (6:30pm)
Wednesday	March 5 th	Achievement Quest 3 rd Grade Math (3:30-5:00pm)
Thursday	March 6 th	Achievement Quest 4 th Grade Math (3:30-5:00pm) Kindergarten Registration A-L (4:30-6:30pm) 3 rd Grade Girl Scouts Meeting in Café (6:00pm)
Saturday	March 8 th	WHPTO Carnival (4:00-6:00pm)
Tuesday	March 11 th	Bookmobile (Grades 1-4) Achievement Quest 3 rd Grade Reading (3:30-5:00pm) Boy Scout Meeting in Café (6:30pm) WHPTO Meeting in Library (7:00-8:00pm)
Wednesday	March 12 th	Achievement Quest 3 rd Grade Math (3:30-5:00pm)
Thursday	March 13 th	Achievement Quest 4 th Grade Math (3:30-5:00pm) Kindergarten Registration M-Z (4:30-6:30pm)
Friday	March 14 th	WHPTO Mother/Son Movie Night in Gym (7:00pm)
Monday	March 17 th	Market Day Pick-Up in Café (6:15pm-7:15pm)
Tuesday	March 18 th	Achievement Quest 3 rd Grade Reading (3:30-5:00pm) Boy Scout Meeting in Gym for Derby Daisy Scout Meeting in Art Room (6:30pm)
Wednesday	March 19 th	Kidmobile (Kdg.) 4 th Grade Teen Institute in Library (1:00pm) 3 rd Grade Just Say No in Café (2:30pm) Achievement Quest 3 rd Grade Math (3:30-5:00pm)
Thursday	March 20 th	Achievement Quest 4 th Grade Math (3:30-5:00pm)
Friday	March 21 st	End of 3 rd Quarter / Last Day Before Spring Break All School Behavior Reward Party in Gym (2:00pm)
Monday	March 31 st	School Resumes from Spring Break

Have you seen our winners?

We are headed into the third week of Whipple Heights *NEW Bus Behavior Program* and so many of our students are earning tickets! Each week five tickets are drawn from the bus bin to highlight across the building. These students are displayed on our media, have their picture posted next to the Principal's Showcase and provided a special treat! Who will be next?

Revised OAA Testing Schedule

Recently, the Ohio Department of Education provided an extension for the upcoming Ohio Achievement Assessments (OAAs) due to the numerous snow/cold days that have occurred. The following is an updated assessment schedule for Perry Local Schools:

4th Grade Reading – April 29th
3rd Grade Reading – May 1st
4th Grade Math – May 6th
3rd Grade Math – May 8th

Student Attendance is critical on these days & NO vacation requests will be approved.

General Housekeeping...

- Don't forget, you must have your ID (Driver's License) to be granted admittance to the school. No Exceptions!!!
- Please make sure your children are dressed for the weather each and every day. Outside recess is a day-by-day decision and warm coats, hats, gloves, scarves, and boots should be worn regularly during this season.
- If visiting your student for lunch, please remember **NO** outside food is permitted in the cafeteria except a home packed lunch.
- When sending a note or calling your child off from school, please make sure to include the following information: your name, your child's name, and the classroom teacher's name.
- If you pick up/drop off your child from a doctor or dentist appointment, please provide a slip signed by the doctor.

BOX TOPS AND LABELS FOR EDUCATION

Thank you to everyone who has sent in Box Tops, Campbell's, Tyson and Our Family Labels. It is amazing how something so small can make such a BIG difference to our school. The winning classroom for January was Mrs. Janowicz's class with 848 labels and the school total was 4,812. The winner for February was Mrs. Egert's class with 742 labels and the school total was 3,254. GREAT JOB! Special thanks to Christie Leapline and Betsy Ward for providing the winning classrooms with special treats. Keep sending in those Box Tops and Labels and your class could be the next winner!

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BLIZZARD BAGS

By now you have seen information come home and postings online regarding the implementation of Blizzard Bags here in Perry Local Schools. At this time, these have been established for any future snow/cold days that could potentially occur. Additionally, if state legislation does not approve an extension in the number of days a district is allowed (beyond the traditional 5 days) then these may be implemented to backfill the 4 days we are currently over for the year. Any next steps, relative to the implementation of Blizzard Bags, will be communicated in writing and online. Stay Tuned...

Counselor's Corner

March's Guidance topic is Tolerance. All students in grades K-4 will have a lesson on accepting individual differences. Below is a list of the books or video I will be reading/showing and discussing with students:

- Kindergarten** *I Accept You As You Are* (Book)
- 1st Grade** *It's Okay to be Different* (Book)
- 2nd Grade** *The Unforgettable Pen Pal* (Video)
- 3rd Grade** *Putting Yourself in Someone Else's Shoes* (Video)
- 4th Grade** *Planting the Seeds of Peace* (Video)

Please contact me if I can be of assistance.
Sincerely,
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PTO NEWS

NEWS FROM THE PRESIDENT

It seems hard to believe that we are on a Spring Break countdown! This school year is flying by (thanks in part to all these crazy snow days)! I hope you have had the opportunity to enjoy many of the PTO sponsored events this year. We are grateful for the volunteers that have given so many hours of service to our school!

Please note: our March PTO Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 3/11 at 7pm in our library. At this meeting we will be taking nominations for next year's board officer positions. Please come and consider being a part of next year's leadership. Don't hesitate to contact a current board member for nomination requirements.

We are excited to announce that a parent has stepped forward to create the *All School Slide Show*. The event details can be found on our school website.

Are you the parent of a 4th grader? We are in the process of composing the *4th Grade Graduation Slide Show*. If you have already sent in your child's photos, THANK YOU! Reminders have gone home if we are still needing your child's photos. Please help us make this a special send-off for our kids! You may contact me with any questions.

I hope you are planning on joining us for some upcoming March events. The Carnival is Saturday, 3/8 from 4-6 and Mother/Son Movie Night has been rescheduled for Friday, 3/14. Be watching for April's Scholastic Bookfair info to come home soon as well! Here's to a hopefully mild spring!

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