

PERRY SCHOOL DIGEST

March 5, 2010

DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday, March 9	Perry Night at McDonald's 5-7 p.m.
Tuesday, March 16	PTCO meeting 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, March 16	Third Quarter Ends
Wednesday, March 17	Students attend dress rehearsal of <i>Willy Wonka</i> at BHS
Thursday, March 18	Family Reading Night-Book Fair 5:30-7:30 p.m. Ronald McDonald will be attending from 5:30-7:00 p.m.
Thursday, March 25	Report Cards go home
Thursday, March 25	Student Council Meeting 2:05-2:45 p.m.
Friday, March 26	NO SCHOOL-School Improvement Day
March 29-April 5	NO SCHOOL-SPRING BREAK
Tuesday, April 6	School Resumes

Perry Night at McDonald's

Tuesday, March 9th, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. is Perry Night at McDonald's on State Street. All proceeds go to help fund incentives and rewards for our PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Support) program. Please come help support our school and this program. Ronald McDonald will be joining us also!



Congratulations!

Congratulations to Gabby Vikre! Gabby was the winner of the 5th grade Spelling Bee held at Perry on Friday, February 26th. Gabby will now move onto the Regional Spelling Bee, March 18th at Harlem High School. Good luck Gabby!

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Student Council change drive to help the victims of the earthquake in Haiti. With everyone's support we were able to collect \$445.71! The funds collected will be added to a district wide effort with Rockford Sharefest and the Million Meals for Haiti campaign.



PERRY

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READERS

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Yamilet Perez	
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Anthony Macicari	Gabe Herrera
Ainsley Dean	
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Devin Trevino	Nolan Hieb
Anastasia Glee	Chance Risse
Ximena Lugo	Rachel Nelson
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Isabella Conrad	Lilly August
Rachel Nelson	
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Mya Carlson	Maritza Valerio
Rachel Nelson	
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Dylan Stolz (Kindergarten-read to)	

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Dillon Everding	
<u>00</u>	<u>S</u>
Erasmus Ramirez	Sydney Guerra
Alondra Romero	
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Karli Tillema	Clayden Davis
Colton Williams	Kaileigh Powell
Jonathon Powell	Alyssa Kasper
	Sydney Guerra
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Kaileigh Powell	Jonathon Powell
McKayla Gilley	
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Miguel Ramirez	Yaritza Torres

Spotlight Schools Award

Perry School was once again selected by the Illinois State Board of Education as a 2009 Spotlight School. The Spotlight Award recognizes schools where academic performance is closing the achievement gap. Perry is one of 425 schools earning the honor this year.

The criteria for selecting Spotlight Schools are rigorous:

- At least half of the students are from low-income families
- At least 60% of students must have met or exceeded standards in both reading and math in 2009
- At least 50% of students met or exceeded standards in both reading and math in the two previous years (2007 and 2008)
- Schools must have made Adequate Yearly Progress in the two previous years as required by No Child Left Behind. This means:
 - At least 70% meeting and exceeding standards in both reading and mathematics
 - 95% participation rate in state assessments for all students
 - Attendance rate is at least 90%

This award was achieved through the hard work and effort of our teachers, support staff, students, and you, the parents and guardians. Thank you for your ongoing support.

SIMPLE STRATEGIES FOR CREATING STRONG READERS

Without doubt, reading with children spells success for early literacy. Putting a few simple strategies into action will make a significant difference in helping children develop into good readers and writers.

Through reading aloud, providing print materials, and promoting positive attitudes about reading and writing, you can have a powerful impact on children's literacy and learning.

- Invite a child to read with you every day.
- When reading a book where the print is large, point word by word as you read. This will help the child learn that reading goes from left to right and understand that the word he or she says is the word he or she sees.
- Read a child's favorite book over and over again.
- Read many stories with rhyming words and lines that repeat. Invite the child to join in on these parts. Point, word by word, as he or she reads along with you.
- Discuss new words. For example, "This big house is called a palace. Who do you think lives in a palace?"
- Stop and ask about the pictures and about what is happening in the story.
- Read from a variety of children's books, including fairy tales, song books, poems, and information books.

Reading well is at the heart of all learning. Help make a difference for a child.

UPDATES FROM THE P.E. OFFICE-

I wanted to let parents know how hard your children have worked throughout the school year, especially this third quarter. We have accomplished many things such as, shuttle run, standing broad jump, balance beam, sit-ups, and push-up testing. All of the students worked extremely hard and the results of their efforts were outstanding! Currently we are working on a jump rope unit. The K-1-2 students are being introduced to jump ropes and various stunts/moves while jumping. Grades 3-4-5 are currently working on jump rope routines as a part of their fourth quarter grade. I am so proud of the Perry students for all their hard work.

Just a reminder that our 2nd Annual Family Wellness Night is fast approaching us. Mark your calendars for April 13th. This event is from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Look for more information to come in the weeks ahead. Exercise can be a great family activity.

Mr. Hendrickson



Congratulations to February's

PAWS winners!



Faith Williams, Brandon King, Pari Mangukiya, Zayveon Johnson, Erin Marie Coulter, Mark Stringini, Evan Keating, Nicholas Hissong, Isabella Conrad, Sofia Medina, Quentin Britton, Andrea Indoval, Mason Chapman, Ally Winder, Yadira Hernandez, Riley Potter, Montserrat Arellano, Savana Dozal, Alex Hissong, Jordan Ward, Ximena Lugo, Raven Williams, Larry Ruiz, Nadia Lindley, Victor Aguado, Autumn Grose, Colton Williams, Alannis Acevedo, Clayden Davis, Erasmo Ramirez, Pedro Rivera, Angelina Medina, Ruby Rivera, Arturo Mendoza, Alondra Romero, Damon Hess, Grace Bundschuh, Michelle Sanchez, David Sanchez, Areli Sierra, Destany Blodgett, Amanda Stringini, Jasmin Salinas, Eloy Salazar, Maria Hernandez, Kaleigh Powell, Steven Corbett, and Gabby Vikre.

Classes earning the traveling panther in February were Miss Sanders, Mrs. Haight, and Miss Thomas. The class with the most Golden PAWS for the month was Miss Thomas' class! Keep up the good work kids!



NEWS FROM THE NURSE



Required Health Examinations and Immunizations:

A student's parent/guardian must present proof that the student received a health examination and the immunizations against, and screening for preventable communicable diseases as required by the Illinois Department of Public Health within one year prior to:

1. Entering kindergarten or the first grade;
2. Entering the sixth and ninth grades;
3. Enrolling in an Illinois, regardless of the student's grade (including nursery school, special education, head start programs operated by elementary or secondary schools and students transferring into Illinois from out of state or country).

Dental examinations:

All children in kindergarten, second and sixth grades shall present proof of having been examined by a licensed dentist by May 15 of the current school year accordance with the rules adopted by the Illinois Department of Public Health. Dental exam date for 2010-2011 school year must be between 11/16/09- 5/15/11.

Eye Examination:

Parents/guardians are encouraged to have their children undergo an eye examination whenever health examinations are required. Parents/guardians of students entering kindergarten or an Illinois school for first time shall present proof before October 15 of the current school year that the student received an eye examination within one year prior to entry of kindergarten or the school.

Parents you may now get your children their vision, dental and health examinations for next school year. If your child is going to enter sixth grade next year, let me know and I will give you a physical exam form with his/her immunization record for the physician.

FAMILY READING NIGHT

Come join Ronald McDonald in helping us celebrate Family Reading Night. Ronald will be telling stories and talking about the importance of reading from 5:30-7:00 p.m.. There will also be activities such as, creating your own book, making bookmarks, or winning a book at the book walk. Then sit back and listen to Ronald tell his stories. Best of all, there will be a Buy One Get One Free Book Fair held that night. Come check out some great deals. Hope to see you there on Thursday, March 18th, from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

