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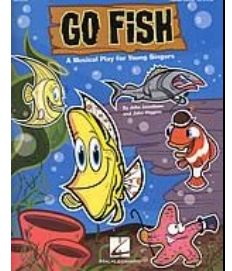
Congratulations to Mrs. Laura Burkland for being selected as our district Project Excellence Award winner for the 2010-11 school year. Mrs. Burkland has been teaching

Gr. 1-5 Art in our building for 8 years. She displays a passion for teaching and is very involved within our district, especially in planning the district Art show. She has literally built the art program from the ground up. As students learn and master new techniques at a younger age, Laura is able to layer and present more challenging skills, elements of design, and principles of design while they advance through each grade level. Using technology has greatly accentuated her instruction through scanning famous prints or artists' residences, visiting museums all over the world, and viewing landscapes of various

landforms. Students are learning the tools, terminology, and skills for producing quality artwork, which is displayed throughout the school year. Goals, instructions, and explanations are clearly communicated and expertly modeled through 'class demos.' These demos enable Laura to show her students various techniques before they begin their projects, noting potential pitfalls. Laura offers a series of Art Club sessions for 2nd-5th grades. Those 30 spots fill up quickly, and there is usually a waiting list. When asked by local businesses, she provides artwork to display in their lobbies. Laura, along with other Warren County educators, will be honored at a special banquet on Tuesday, May 3 to honor their lives and successes! We are so very proud of Laura and thank parents, and staff for honoring her as one of Ohio's best! Laura has her Master's Degree in Educational Leadership.

FIRST GRADE MUSICAL Monday, May 16

Under the direction of Mrs. Andrea Stubbs, the 1st grade students will present their first music program, **"Go Fish"** at 7:00 PM in the Elementary Gym.



Dress rehearsal will be the same day beginning at 2:45 PM. Friends and family are invited to come join in the fun as little Tiger Shark and her unique collection of friends discover how their differences make them each one of them very special.



"Community Open House"

will be held Wednesday, May 11th, from 9:45-11:45 AM. Parents, grandparents, and community members are invited to drop by the classrooms, view student work, and read hall displays. Due to the large amount of visitors, we cannot accommodate visitors for lunch. See you soon!

Saturday, May 21– Spring Carnival

is being sponsored by our PTO. The event will take place in our front parking lot from 2:00-5:00 pm with many games, food, and raffle baskets. If you are interested in helping with any aspect of the carnival, please call PTO President, Dave Johnson at 513-855-4080.



LITERACY TEAM—BOOK SWAP

Our Literacy team has also planned an end of the year "Book Swap." A letter was sent home last week to parents explaining the process and asking for gently used books. We will begin collecting books the week of May 2nd. We will be putting boxes in each room for students to drop their books into (similar to the canned food drive). During the week of Field Day (May 16th), we will have the books set up in the gym (Gr. 3-5) and the lobby outside the Media Center (Gr. K-2). Parent Volunteers will be running the station. The amount of books donated will determine how many books students will be able to take home over the summer. So be sure to look through your child's books and send in any books your child is done reading. We will encourage students to return their books in the fall so we can recycle the books again for the next summer. Research has shown that over a 6-year period, summer-time lag can leave a student nearly 2 years behind in reading! If you have any books that were purchased for the Book Swap, please return those as well!

No Office/Bullying Referrals:

The following students received a notebook and Golden Corral coupon: Taylor Byerly, Kenny Fairchild, Kiersten Williams, Zeke Wessendarp, Brittany Hardyman, and Nicholas St. Clair. These students received a \$10.00 Walmart gift card: Brooke Schoepfoerster, Rylee Click, and Luke Kindred received an Ipod Shuffle! Way to go!

Last Day of School... Thursday, June 2

Year-End Award Assembly in the GYM:

5th Grade @ 9:00 AM-Parents invited.

K-4th grades will have classroom celebrations.

Report Cards will go home with students on this day.
All fees must be paid in full and all library books returned.

Parent Input for Class Placement

Each school year is approached with much anticipation and excitement for our students. We will soon begin the student placement process for next school year. Our goal is to provide an environment that allows each child to progress and succeed to their greatest potential. **Your child's education is our #1 priority in making decisions for class placement.**

As a staff we will devote our expertise and time toward creating classrooms which are balanced for optimal teaching and learning. Much of our planning includes analyzing the progress of each student as well as examining student enrollment projections for the 2011-12 school year. Our placement process is a team effort done with great thought and care. We work diligently to balance each class with the following criteria uppermost in our thinking:

Academic performance (may include DIBELS/DRA scores, IOWA scores, OAA scores, grades)

Independent work habits

Special learning needs

Boy/Girl ratio

Equitable class size

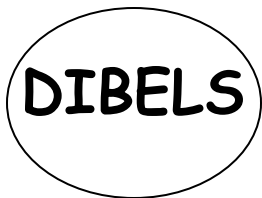
Individualized learning styles

Discipline referrals

Social/emotional development/interactions

Our initial class lists are drawn up with input from the current teachers and other support staff. Please be assured that the staff will review each child's needs individually and work hard to ensure success for the new school year. Your child's class assignment will be posted in August.

Please do **not** request a specific teacher's classroom or for your child to be placed with his or her friends. If you feel a need to share more information about your child's learning needs, you may pick up a Student Information Sheet at the Elementary Office or download from our website to be returned no later than **Friday, May 13, 2011**. Your input is important and will help in achieving the BEST possible placement for your child next school year. Feel free to contact Miss Hartman or Mrs. Bees with any questions of concerns.



Our DIBELS (Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills) test schedule is as follows:

Kindergarten-Thursday, May 12
1st Grade-Tuesday, May 10

2nd Grade-Wednesday, May 11
3rd Grade—Monday, May 9

3rd Qtr. Recognition

Honor Roll-336

Per. Attendance- 147

MAY FIELD DAY SCHEDULE!! 1:00-3:00 pm

May 16	May 17	May 18	May 19	May 20
Third Grade	Fifth Grade	Fourth Grade	First Grade	Second Grade



End of the year incentive for Grades 3-5—WIN AN IPOD!!

Your child will have the opportunity to be entered into a drawing on Wed. June 1st to win an iPod Shuffle, which can hold up to 240 songs and play for 12 hours. For each category, your child may earn one ticket for our raffle.

We will draw at least 2 students' names from each grade level (3rd-5th).

Listed below are the criteria:

- 1) No bullying referrals
- 2) No office discipline referrals
- 3) All homework completed ON TIME; assignment book signed
- 4) Achievement tests-work on each one for at least 1 or 1 1/2 hours before turning in-one ticket per test