# THE TRIBUNE

#### APRIL 2017

# DATES TO REMEMBER



April 3 – 6, 2017 PSSA English Language Arts Grades 3, 4, 5 and 6



April 12 – 14 & 17 2017 No School



April 24 – 26, 2017 PSSA Math Grades 3, 4, 5 and 6



The Monthly Newsletter of East & Hempfield Elementary Schools

#### **STEM Team Captures First Place in Tournament**

Fourth Grade students Nick Solderich and Lillian Grabuard along with Fifth Grade students Finn Butcher and Giulianna Hartsell recently claimed first place at the regional STEM Design Challenge Tournament. The STEM Design Challenge is a competition for students in grades 4-8 which requires students teams of four to work together to create a project out of K'Nex pieces. This year's project challenged the students to create an eco-friendly amusement park ride.

### **Leskovac Wins County Spelling Bee**

Great work by these students!

Fifth Grade student Logan Leskovac captured first place at the Mercer County Spelling Bee held at Hickory High School on March 31, 2017. The contest featured 33 fourth, fifth and sixth grade students from various school districts in Mercer County. Also representing Greenville at the spelling bee were Alli McConnell from 6th Grade and Maggie Leskovac from 4th Grade. Congratulations Logan!

#### **Kindergarten Registration Continues**

Kindergarten registration for the 2017-18 school year is underway. To be eligible for Kindergarten, a child must be 5 years of age by September 1. Registration packets can be picked up in the offices at both Hempfield and East Elementary. Packets may also be downloaded from the district website at www.greenville.k12.pa.us

Completed registration packets, along with copies of the child's birth certificate, immunization record and proofs of residency, must be returned to Hempfield Elementary as soon as possible. Appointments for Kindergarten screening will be scheduled when the packets are returned to the school.

#### 3rd, 4th, 5th & 6th Grade Students to Complete PSSA



Third, Fourth, Fifth and Sixth grade students will be taking the Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA) in English Language Arts on April 3, 4, 5 and 6, 2017. The PSSA Math assessment will be given April 24, 25 and 26, 2017. Testing sessions will be completed in the morning of each day from 9:15 AM to

approximately 12 noon.

**All students** in grades 3, 4, 5 and 6 must participate in the assessment. It is very important that all students be present during testing. We also encourage all students get a good night's sleep prior to testing. It is also important that your child eat breakfast each day during the PSSA testing.

# MIGHTY TROJAN AWARD WINNERS FOR MARCH

## Kindergarten

Mya Brown Emily Rinella Justin Chen Keira Coon

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

Gwen Pears Sam Minshull Wyatt Albaugh Gianna Weaver

#### 4th Grade

Zachariah Dominguez Parker Ritzert Maggie Leskovac Lillian Graubard

#### 1st Grade

Willow Beilstein Swayze Walker Benjamin Smith Timmy Mumford Dante' Rauso

#### 3rd Grade

Gianna Solderich Jakob Peters Kassadee Langdon Lucas Brown

#### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Aubrey Cadman Aaliyah Handley Katie King Hunter Grant

#### 6th Grade

Sarah Malleck Frankie Ellis Rasce Stefanowicz Chloe Rowe

#### **5th Grade Student Qualifies for National Competition**

Fifth Grade student Finn Butcher has qualified for the National Academic Games Tournament to be held at the end of April at Oglebay Resort in Wheeeling, West Virginia. Players from around the country will gather together and compete in several academic games to see who are the best teams and individual players. Congratulations, Finn!

#### Sixth Graders Complete St. Jude's Math-A-Thon

Sixth Grade students raised over \$1,000 by completing the St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital

Math-a-thon. The money generated will peln children receive treatment for cancer

go to help children receive treatment for cancer as well as other diseases. Students collected sponsors and then completed a Math-a-thon booklet that contained a variety of math problems. Great work for a great cause!

#### **Students Raise Funds for American Heart Association**

Students at the elementary schools collected over \$4,400 to help fight heart disease and childhood obesity through their participation in the American Heart Association's Jump Rope for Heart program.

#### **PTO News**



The East Elementary PTO is seeking officers and committee chair persons for next school year. If you are interested in helping out, please submit your name to the PTO on the nomination form coming home soon.

Interested volunteers must submit their name as soon as possible. Both the PTO and IPTO would like to thank all the families who participated in the fundraisers throughout the school year. Thank you for your support.

#### **Educational Trips and Vacations**

For a maximum of five (5) school days per school year, the district will grant excused absences from school for trips/vacations having educational value as determined by both the Principal and Superintendent. Approval will not be granted for trips scheduled during the PSSA testing windows of April 3-6, April 24-26, 2017. Absences exceeding the approved five days will be considered unlawful/unexcused. The required approval form is available in the main office and must be submitted at least one week prior to the scheduled trip.

#### **Clearances Needed to Chaperone Field Trips**

Parents/guardians who wish to chaperone on an upcoming field trip must obtain both the Pennsylvania Child Abuse (Act 151) and Pennsylvania State Police Report (Act 134) prior to the date of the trip. The Child Abuse clearance can be obtained on line at www.compass.state.pa.us while the state police clearance can be found at epatch.state.pa.us/Home In addition to obtaining the appropriate clearances, parents/guardians must be approved by school board of directors. If you have any questions, please contact Amy Thurber at (724) 588-2500 ext. 2310.

APRIL ROTATION SCHEDULE						
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16	<b>17</b> No	18	19	20	21	22
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