

Inverness Elementary School Newsletter

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“Committed to Academic Excellence”

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Principal’s Message

April is a very exciting time of the year. With April comes our end of year testing. As your child’s teacher sends home information please take note of our testing days and make sure that your children get a good night’s sleep, and has a healthy breakfast. We have been working hard to make sure that our students are ready for testing and are excited to celebrate the successes that they have. We have fantastic students here at IES, they brighten our day with their kind words and happy faces.

Happy Easter!

Upcoming Events

- ◆ 4/3 Good Friday (No School)
- ◆ 4/6 3rd Nine Weeks Awards Program
- ◆ 4/9 PTA Meeting (5:30 pm)
- ◆ 4/16 Nutrition Workshop (8:45 am)
- ◆ 4/22 Admin Professional Day
- ◆ 4/25 PTA Spring Dance (5 pm)

Upcoming Testing Dates

- 4/9-10-MKAS2 (Pre-K and K Assessment)
- 4/14 - 3rd Summative Reading Assessment
- (4/27-5/22 PARCC EOY Grades: 3-8
- (4/1-4/30) Classworks EOY

WE CAN DO IT!

PARCC TESTING CONTINUES

The PARCC assessments have two parts– a Performance Based Assessment which our students are currently completing. A second “End of the Year” PARCC will be given in April and May. Please make sure that your child arrives on time for their testing day. If a child is late, they are not permitted to go to class and will miss additional instructional time making up the test.



HATS OFF TO OUR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS FOR HAVING THE HIGHEST SCORES IN THE DISTRICT ON THE EOY CASE 21 ASSESSMENTS IN ALL AREAS EXCEPT IN 6TH GRADE ELA AND 8TH GRADE MATH!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! WAY TO GO! LET’S KEEP WORKING HARD!!!!

Celebrating National Library Week

IES students have been working hard throughout the year to support the love of reading and build better readers. During National Library Week (April 12 - 18) our school will plan a variety of activities to get the kids turned on to reading. During this week students are encouraged to "turn off the TV and turn on to reading" by logging their reading time and earning prizes.

PE/Health Corner

April is Youth Sports Safety month—a time to insure that participation is always done in a manner that reduces the risk of injury.

- Always make sure there is proper instruction in the rules and techniques necessary to engage in the sport. Proper supervision is necessary to avoid potentially dangerous behavior.
- Equipment appropriate to safely playing the sport should always be used, including shoes, padding, and especially helmets when indicated. The risk of obtaining a concussion from a head injury can be great and lead to long-term health ramifications and emotional and cognitive problems.

Sports provide wonderful opportunities to get exercise and learn about teamwork and leadership. They should always be done in a safe manner.

Kelli Bruce/Kirk Price

HAPPY BIRTHDAY DR. SEUSS!

As part of the birthday celebration for Dr. Seuss, the Kindergarten and 1st grade classes created hats and enjoyed green treats.



WHY CAN'T I SKIP MY 20 MINUTES OF READING TONIGHT?"

LET'S FIGURE IT OUT --MATHEMATICALLY!

Student A reads 20 minutes five nights of every week;
Student B reads only 4 minutes a night...or not at all!

Step 1: Multiply minutes a night x 5 times each week.

Student A reads 20 min. x 5 times a week = 100 mins./week

Student B reads 4 minutes x 5 times a week = 20 minutes

Step 2: Multiply minutes a week x 4 weeks each month.

Student A reads 400 minutes a month.

Student B reads 80 minutes a month.

Step 3: Multiply minutes a month x 9 months/school year

Student A reads 3600 min. in a school year.

Student B reads 720 min. in a school year.

Student A practices reading the equivalent of ten whole school days a year.

Student B gets the equivalent of only two school days of reading practice.

By the end of 6th grade if Student A and Student B maintain these same reading habits,

- Student A will have read the equivalent of 60 whole school days
- Student B will have read the equivalent of only 12 school days.

CONGRATULATIONS to Kylan Appleberry for winning first place in his category (Kindergarten) at the Regional Reading Fair held at Delta State. He is headed to the State Reading Fair in Jackson on April 21st.

