

The Davis Grapevine

March 2010



The Principals Point

Mrs. Campbell

MARCH, in like a lion, out like a lamb! Let's hope so. MCAS English Language Arts begins MONDAY, March 22nd through THURSDAY, March 25th. These high stakes tests are a "lion of a challenge" for the youngsters grades 3 – 8. The entire Davis Team continues to work hard with all the curriculum strands and standards in preparation for the MCAS. Our motto: "I think I can; I know I can; with a little salt in my shoes, because "What's Meant to Be is Up to ME" will help drive our kids to bat 1000! Please encourage your children to READ every night; to do all their homework; to be in school everyday; to be on time everyday. Every second is valuable and their attention to academics crucial to success. Please take a moment each evening to ask your child about school; what homework is due; and how you might help with his/her assignments. We are all a team that must work together to insure that every child "makes the grade"; that every child reaps the rewards of hard work and effort. As the days stay lighter longer, let us keep focused on the business at hand – that every child receives the applause he/she deserves for successful scores on MCAS. Please know that we care about every youngster – socially, academically, and emotionally. We are a community whose aim is to create a champion within every student. Together we will achieve this goal. Enjoy the month ahead and watch for bulletins regarding up-coming events/happenings at the Davis.

Absentee Line **508-580-7547**

Please call the absentee line
before 9:00 am when your child
will be absent that day

The school must attempt to reach the
home of the students we have not
heard from. This is for your child's
safety! All calls should be made by an
Adult; we can not accept a student's
call.

Students should return to school with
a note from home.

**All absences 5 days or more must
obtain a Doctors note before
returning.**

School Closings or delays due to Inclement Weather

Please do not call the school

Listen to **1460 AM**,

Watch the local TV stations,

Check the website,

[www. Brocktonpublicschools.com](http://www.Brocktonpublicschools.com)

Notes from the Nurse

Mrs. Ritchie & Mrs. Millard

508-580-7369

Students in Grades 5-8 will have a yearly postural screening to detect any abnormal curvature of the spine. Parents will be informed of any abnormal findings. The child should then be seen by his or her own doctor.

A physician's physical exam is required for students entering Kindergarten, Grades 4 and 7 or transferred to BPS from another school system. Students in Grades 6, 7 & 8 who wish to participate in sport programs are required to have a physical within 13 months of the tryout date for that sport

. Vision and Hearing failure notices were mailed home. Vision problems are common among children. Early detection of problems is important to protecting a child's vision and hearing. Poor vision and hearing leads to difficulties with overall school performance, peer relationships and even sports. *Please* schedule an appointment for your child if you have not already done so. The Physician form should be returned to the nurse. Please call if you need assistance with an appointment, purchasing glasses or if you have questions about your child's test result.

Keep your child's health record up to date by providing the school nurses with immunization boosters received.

Remember, healthy food, plenty of water, adequate rest, and **good hand washing** are the best defenses against illness.

PTA Particulars

Ladies Night: Ladies Night Out will take place on Friday, March 19 from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM in the Davis Cafeteria (\$3.00 per lady). We will have numerous vendors with a wide range of items for sale. This is a great night for the Ladies to socialize, relax and shop! Please keep an eye on your child's backpack for more information. Sorry, but no children at this event.

Italian Family Dinner: Italian Dinner Night will take place on Friday, April 30 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM in the Davis Cafeteria (\$7.00 per person - children under 5 free). With each ticket purchased you will receive 1 free raffle ticket. We will have great Italian food provided by Siciliano's of Brockton. What a great way to spend a Friday night and leave the cooking and cleaning to us! Please keep an eye on your child's backpack for more information.

Box Tops: Please keep sending in those Box Tops! This is an easy way to raise money for the Davis School students. The class with the most Box Tops per term will receive \$50 to spend as they choose.

MUSIC NEWS FLASH!

On March 31st at West Middle School, the Davis Honor Choir will be performing at the 2nd Annual Brockton Middle School/ High School Choral Festival. Our performance will begin at 7:00pm, where you will be able to hear many of our Brockton Middle School Choruses as well as the Harmonics, straight from BHS. We are very excited about sharing our music with you!

Student of the Month Winners for February -- Cooperative

Kindergarten- Savannah Boynton, Marcus Mentor, Samantha Beady, Jered Chavez, Brooke Moore

Grade 1- Bruno Barbosa, Makenzie Tukis, Calvin Vo, Nuno Montrond, Marcelo Lopes-Monteiro

Grade 2- Aidan Bryant, Corey Challenger, Trinady Shand-Campbell, Joe Araujo, Jaala Timas, Vanessa Barros

Grade 3- Malvin Monteiro, Alexis Ciambriello, Jae'da Santos-Silva, Karla Salmeron, Kacia Fontes

Grade 4- Ninah Fontes, Savannah Lee, Isaias Mendes

Grade 5- Jelfiline Rodrigues, Claribel Rios, Gizela DosSantos, Victoria Merolli, Tanha Alves

Grade 6- Keyanah Harris, Tyler Walsh, Sandy DosSantos,

Grade 7- Yasmen Gonzalez, Jacquelyn Mann, Yamariz Santiago, Sindy Mejia

Grade 8- Angel Aponte, Elisa Cabral, Baja Butler, Joseph Busby

Parents Academy Workshops

3/4 Reading at Home with your Child

3/9 Parent Summit

3/18 Family Event:

Bonnie the Snake Lady

3/23 Helping Parents Through Trying Times

4/7 Health Resource Fair

4/13 Family Event:

Metamorphosis Night in Celebration of Earth Day

4/28 Family Event:

Family Fitness Night

5/19 Summer Fun in the City Resource Fair

For info call Jane Feroli at:

508-894-4328

Lights on for the Arts

Presents

A Variety Show

USO for the USA

Music/songs/dance from a variety of years



**Watch for announcement of
Show Dates & Times**



Key for Hope

Recycling Keys To Help Others

Help eliminate hunger by recycling your unused & unwanted

KEYS

Send yours to Davis School to be melted and sold as scrap metal. The cash is then donated to shelters and food pantries in our area.

For more information
www.Keyforhope.org