



TIGER TALK

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Tiger Traits

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Be Respectful

Be Responsible



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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

Welcome Back!! I hope all of our families had a relaxing winter break. It is hard to believe the school year is half over!

As we continue through the cold months, please be mindful of the cold and flu season. Remember to send a jacket, gloves and hat/scarf with your child. If the temperature is 20 degrees or above including wind chill, our students will be outside for recess and possibly P.E.

Please refrain from sending your child to school if they have had a fever or vomited in the past 24 hours. This time of year it is so important to wash our little hands often to keep from spreading germs. Thank you!!

Mrs. Fogal

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE & ARRIVAL/DISMISSAL TIME

A Key to Your Student's Success!

Schools are responsible for teaching your child. But schools can't do their job if your child is absent. Learning builds day by day. A child who misses a day of school misses a day of learning. Research shows that children who are in school most of the time do better on state tests. Studies also show that children who are absent more often score lower on those state tests. Being late for school hurts a child's learning, too. A student who is 10 minutes late every day will miss 30 hours of instruction during the year. Children can copy notes or make up an assignment, but they can never get back what's most important: the discussions, the questions, the explanations by the teacher and the thinking that makes learning come alive. Your child's success in school depends on having a solid educational background - one that can only be gained through regular school attendance. Here's how you can improve your child's school attendance:

- Talk with your child about the importance of attending school regularly.
- Avoid scheduling family trips or doctor appointments during school hours.
- Make sure your child stays healthy by eating nutritious food and getting enough sleep and exercise.
- Discuss with your child what happened at school each day.
- Support school rules and consequences for skipping class and being tardy.
- Show your child why education is important. Give specific examples of how education helps people succeed.
- Lead by example. If children see parents taking off work for no real reason, they may expect to be able to do the same thing.

Certainly there are times when an absence or tardy arrival cannot be avoided. The key is for it not to become a habit.



Student Council will be accepting mittens, gloves, hats and scarves through February. Any donations may be given to someone in the office.

The next Student Council meeting will be Wednesday, January 11 at 8:20a.

Bloomington Public Library Bookmobile

Below are stops, dates and times:

- Phillip Place@Carl Dr.-Jan. 16 —7:15p-8:30p
- Stevenson Parking Lot - Jan. 17 -7:30p-8:30p
- Old Farm Rd@Windmill- Jan. 2 & 23 —7:15p-8:30p
- Rainbow @ Vladimir.—Jan. 4 & 25 - 3p-4:15p
- Powers@Castlemain-Jan. 9 & 30 - 3:30p-4:30p

Schedules can be picked up at the library.



Check out the library website:
www.BloomingtonLibrary.org

IT TAKES HEART TO BE A HERO! JUMP ROPE FOR HEART!

2012

THIRD GRADERS will be HEART HEROS by participating in Stevenson's 19th annual JUMP ROPE FOR HEART during P.E. on February 24!

They will have fun jumping to music, winning door prizes and with their donations helping the American Heart Association-Illinois to aid in the fight against heart disease. Working towards a healthy heart and participating in a community service project are two great reasons for JUMPING ROPE FOR HEART. Thank you for your support! Stevenson school also receives free jump ropes and numerous teaching materials from the AHA in thanks! More information coming home in February!



Flying Horse Winners December

Dec. 4 - Best Gift

- Sydney M— 3C
- Nina K— 2MS



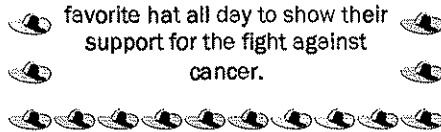
Dec. 11—Christmas

- Premod P— 3D
- Keeleigh H— 2KS

Hat Day for Cancer
 The annual Stevenson Hat Day for Cancer will be Friday,
 January 27, 2012
 Anyone who brings a dollar can wear their
 favorite hat all day to show their support for the fight against
 cancer.

Dec. 18—Christmas

- McKensi I—5B
- Hafsah A—4S
- Ellie K—3D
- Taylor C—2KS



NURSE'S NOTES

TO ALL PARENTS/GUARDIANS OF
5TH GRADE STUDENTS:
BEGINNING WITH THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR, ALL 6TH GRADERS MUST HAVE A SCHOOL PHYSICAL AND T-DAP (RECEIVED ON OR AFTER STUDENT'S 10TH BIRTHDAY) BY THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL. THESE TWO REQUIREMENTS MAY BE COMPLETED DURING THIS SCHOOL YEAR. IF YOU SEND THE PHYSICAL FORM AND PROOF OF THE T-DAP, I WILL RECORD THE INFORMATION AND TRANSFER IT AT THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR.
THANK YOU
NURSE DIANE THOMPSON



Have your students tried these foods yet?

Julie McCoy MS, RD, LDN, School Nutrition Director

Greetings parents! Here are a few menu items to encourage your children to eat!

Bean & Cheese Chalupa: This product is served every 3rd Friday! It provides a healthy serving of legumes, or "beans." These are packed high in fiber and nutrients. The shell is whole grain, packing another punch of fiber. It is also vegetarian! Your student may not be used to beans, so please encourage him/her to try them the next time they are served:
January 6 and 27

Italian Beef: This product has savory beef on a whole wheat bun, served with sweet potato fries. The orange sweet potato fries look different than regular French Fries, but are full of vitamins and minerals. Definitely worth a try!
January 11
February 1



TIGER TIME HAS BEEN A GREAT WAY TO CELEBRATE AND REVIEW OUR STEVENSON SCHOOL EXPECTATIONS. THE STEVENSON TIGERS ARE SAFE, RESPECTFUL AND RESPONSIBLE. THE MONTHLY TIGER TIMES SHOULD BE A TIME WHEN ALL OUR STUDENTS ARE GETTING AN OPPORTUNITY TO CELEBRATE THESE STEVENSON TIGER TRAITS.

WHEN STUDENTS RECEIVE BEHAVIOR NOTES OR OFFICE REFERRALS, THE CONSEQUENCES ARE APPLIED IMMEDIATELY EITHER IN THE CLASSROOM OR AT SCHOOL. IT IS OUR GOAL THAT STUDENTS LEARN FROM THESE OPPORTUNITIES AND MAKE POSITIVE CHOICES THE REST OF THE MONTH. ALL STUDENTS AT STEVENSON SCHOOL WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TIGER TIME. THE TEACHERS WILL REVIEW THE EXPECTATIONS WITH CLASSES FOR THE TIGER TIME AND ALLOW THEM TO PRACTICE THE STEVENSON TIGER TRAITS IN AN ALL-SCHOOL CELEBRATION.



LEARNING CENTER

News from the Learning Center



A Night Without T.V.

It's January and thoughts turn to shaping up. A great way to shape readers is to read! It seems simple enough, but with the many things that occupy our time it's hard to fit it in. Make a conscious effort in this New Year to spend one night a week with the T.V. off. Read to your child and have them read to you. These habits are worth building, but like losing weight, and exercise, you have to work at it.

Volunteers

We are in need of a parent volunteer on Friday afternoons from 12:45-3:00. An extra set of hands is really needed to help students in the computer lab. No computer experience is necessary, just a willingness to help. If your New Year's Resolution is to volunteer more, this may be just for you. Contact Mr. Bohne at bohne@district87.org

Magazines

Does your family subscribe to any children's magazines? Would you be willing to donate old issues to the Learning Center? We are always looking for children's magazines to add to our collection.

ELL ACCESS Testing

The ELL ACCESS testing begins the week of January 9th. This is an annual test given to students enrolled in the ELL program. The test is designed to measure English language proficiency. It measures the four language components of reading, writing, speaking and listening skills. The test consists of three different tests given on different days:

1. A Reading and Listening test
2. A Writing test
3. A Speaking test

While there is no way to study or prepare for this test, it will help if children are well rested and eat a healthy breakfast the morning of the test. We will receive the test results in May.

Nutrition Matters

Julie McCoy MS, RD, LDN, School Nutrition Director

Living a Healthy Life!

The Live Healthy 100 Day Wellness Challenge is a team centric weight loss and physical activity program that will assist you and your teammates in making positive changes that lead to a healthier lifestyle. By competing in Live Healthy you will begin to form healthy habits through physical activity and improved nutrition.

Friends, families and coworkers form teams that track weight loss and/or minutes of activity.

- Step 1: Start a Team! Form a team of 2-10 people (Must be over 18 years of age). Gather your team's email addresses and t-shirt sizes.
- Step 2: Choose a Team Name and Team Captain! Team captain must have an e-mail address.
- Step 3: Register online at www.livehealthyillinois.org website on Jan. 3rd.

The Challenge runs from January 23-May 1, 2012. The District 87 staff had 12 teams last year; please join us as we work towards a healthier lifestyle with you!



UPCOMING EVENTS

February	1	K-3/Land of Smiles Assembly
	6-10	Parent/Teacher Conference Wk.
	6,7	After School Tutoring
	7	Market Day/Scrip Cd. Pick-up
	7	PTO Mtg.
	8,22	Dist87 Board Mtg
	10	No School-Parent/Teacher Conferences
	13,14	After School Tutoring
	14	Valentine Parties
	20	No School / President's Day
	21	After School Tutoring
	21	Chuck E Cheese Dine Out
	24	Family Furt Night
	27	Spirit Wear Sales Start/ After School Tutoring
	28	Last After School Tutoring



STEVENSON PTO NEWS



STEVENSON PTO (2011/2012)

President	Beckie Olmstead
President Elect	Jenni Clarke Morrison
Vice Presidents	Diane Dempsey
Recorder	Julie Marcy
Treasurer	Marissa Moss

You may contact the PTO at stevensontigersPTO@gmail.com

January Events

1/10 PTO Meeting 6:30-7:30 (Learning Center)

1/10 Market Day & Scrip Card Pickup 4:30-5:30 (Cafeteria)

1/12 Group Pictures

1/27 Boy Scouts Pinewood Derby 6:00



Thank You!!!!

What a great end to 2011 we had at Stevenson!

Thank you so much to the parents, grandparents, students, faculty, friends, etc who volunteered to help with the PTO Holiday Shop and Holiday Tea.

For those of you who attended, one or both events, you were likely to see that they are very popular and well attended. Due to the popularity we sometimes experience backups. For those of you who waited patiently in line, we also thank you! It takes many volunteers to help pull off these activities and make them run smoothly. The PTO encourages all of you to volunteer and join in on the fun next year! The more volunteers we have, the shorter the lines and the happier our little shoppers are.

We can't thank all of you enough who gave of yourselves, your time, your baking skills or your dollars. We hope you all have a happy and wonderful New Year!!

Dine-Out Spirit Night Raises Money

UPCOMING Dine-Out Events:

January 23rd – Rosati's of Normal
(corner of Main St & Raab Rd in Schnucks Plaza ONLY)
****All Day****

Come see the Zoo Lady from 5-7pm

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING DINE OUT NIGHTS!!



Market Day[®]

A fundraiser like no other...

December Dollars Earned...\$204.69

Year-to-Date Dollars Earned...
\$766.24

The January pickup is Tuesday the 10th and orders are due Thursday, January 5th. With any order in January you will receive a FREE Eat Well Guide which is a 36 page, full-color guide with over 35 delicious recipes. It is also Frequent Buyer[®] Redemption month where our frequent buyers will be getting a tote with a \$40 purchase if they made two \$40 purchases between October & December.

Quote of the Month:

One hundred years from now, It will not matter what kind of car I drove, what kind of house I lived in, or how much money I had in the bank, But the world may be a better place because I made a difference in a child's life.
- Author Unknown

Check it out....

McDonald's "Artwork" on Empire




Featuring



2nd Grade Artists

January 2012



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5 Welcome Back! 	6	7
Winter Break / No School						
8	9 3:15p-After School Tutoring	10 8:15a-Yearbook Comm. Mtg. 3:15p-After School Tutoring 4:30p-Market Day Scrip Cd. Pick-up 6:30p-PTO Mtg.	11 8:20a-Student Council 6:30p-Dist87 Board Mtg	12 Report Cards Sent Home Group Pictures 	13 11a-Honor Roll Party	14
Access Testing / ELL Students						
15	16 No School Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	17 No School For Children S.I.P. Day	18 12p-2nd Grades Field Trip	19	20	21
Access Testing / ELL Students						
22	23 3:15p-After School Tutoring 5p-Rosat's Dine Out (Main St & Raab Rd only)	24 8:15a-Yearbook Comm. Mtg. 3:15p-After School Tutoring	25 6:30p-Dist87 Board Mtg	26	27 Relay for Life Hat Day for Cancer  5:30p-Plnewood Derby	28
Access Testing / ELL Students						
29	30 3:15p-After School Tutoring	31 3:15p-After School Tutoring				