



SPRINGBORO Community Schools NEWSLETTER

BI-WEEKLY REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

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Making Plans

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As most of you know, we recently received resignations from our Superintendent and Treasurer. While we wish both of them the best as they move on, the district is challenged with filling both of these positions so late in the spring. Traditionally, these searches take place in the January and February months. We have enlisted the help of two organizations to assist us.

The Warren County Educational Service Center headed by John Lazarus and Tom Isaacs is working hard to attract a potential pool of treasurer candidates. The posting for this position closes at the end of the month and we are hoping to have someone in place July 1st. In the meantime, Mr. Dettwiller will be helping us part time as he starts his new position at Madison Plains Local School District.

The Board of Education also contracted with the Ohio School Boards Association to run a nationwide search process for our new Superintendent. We are just starting this process and the Board of Education hopes to have these candidates identified by the middle of July so we can have someone on board before school starts.

Thankfully, Gene Lolli, our high school assistant principal, will be stepping up to assist us as our Interim Superintendent. Mr. Lolli has his Superintendent's license and we all felt he would do a great job until our permanent Superintendent is chosen.

The Board of Education should have new information over the next couple of months as to who will be leading our district. We are excited about the new opportunities our students will have as we get our new leaders on board.

L e s M i s e r a b l e s



Springboro students and area professionals play together in the pit orchestra for *Les Miserables* on May 2nd under the direction of Kirby Cain.

B e g i n n i n g V i o l i n C l a s s



Incoming First Grade and Second Grade students are invited to start beginning violin class after school. It will be a "pay to play" group class. Students at Dennis Elementary will play Tuesday and Thursdays from 3:30 PM until 4:30 PM. Students at Five Points Elementary will play on Mondays and Wednesday from 3:15 PM until 4:15 PM. Please contact Mrs. Abrams (Five Points Orchestra teacher), for more information:

Kabrams@springboro.org

THIS WEEK'S FLYERS

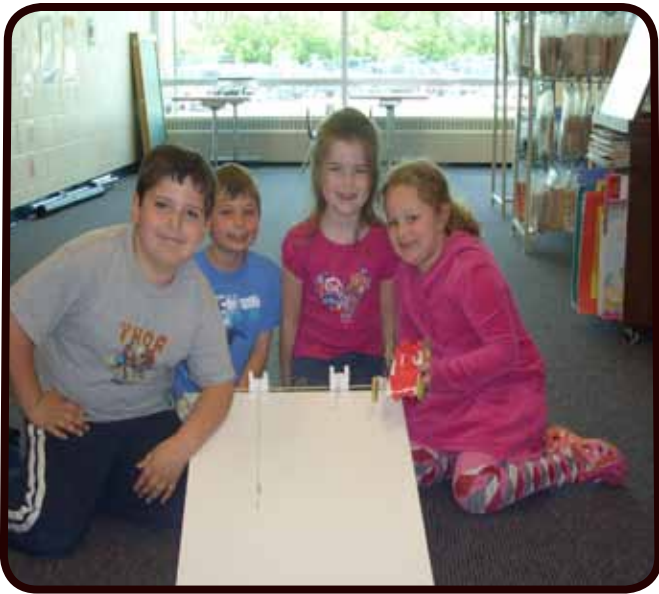
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First Graders Create Simple Machines

First grade students in Mrs. James' homeroom tested their wheel and axle simple machines in the hallway under the guidance of a parent helper. Students created the toys in the art classroom while the art teacher created the incline plane, lever, and pulley system to launch the wheel and axle toys. Students worked in teams. They were not allowed to take their simple machines from the art classroom until each teammate could demonstrate to art teacher, Mrs. Nelson, an understanding of simple machines. All artists were able to identify each simple machine and state how a force was changed by the simple machine. Additionally, the young artists worked in their teams to make artistic posters for their classroom and hallway that remind them of the science vocabulary and changes of the forces on the toys.

This art project gave students the opportunity to work with diverse material as they created their toys. They had an additional opportunity to see how the artist uses science when they create objects. And students discussed how we use math to measure the accuracy and efficiency of our designs. They also learned the importance of cooperation and teamwork as they shared jobs, responsibilities, and they helped each other learn the vocabulary and concepts so their team could race. One team had bragging rights to the most efficient wheel and axle assembly; but they all were winners because they can all identify simple machines, state how the force is changed. The students will tell you it was a lot of fun using science and math as they created magnificent simple machines in art.

Students pictured are Isabella Emanuel, Jack Gridley, Evan Hannon, Madelyn Heil, Lincoln Henry, Caleb Jefferson, Zoe Lightcap, and Ava Meiner.



HS Immersion Day Experience

The Springboro High School International Language Department will host an immersion day experience for all language students in the high school gym on Thursday, May 20th, during school hours. SHS students have created markets that represent the markets that can be found in France, Germany, and Spain. Although no real items are sold, the students build and staff a marketplace complete with a police force, borders between countries, entertainment, and a variety of shops. Students are required to speak the language they are studying throughout the immersion experience. The public is invited to view the displays at the open house Wednesday, May 19th from 6:30-7:30 p.m. We would love for the community to come and see what these great young adults have created!

JH Student Wins Music Scholarship

The Middletown Symphony has announced winners of its music scholarships for 2010 for area students in seventh through ninth grades. Several students from around the area competed on April 18, 2010 for The Ginny Turvey Scholarship, the Mary and Clyde Martin Scholarship for strings, and Middletown Rotary Foundation Scholarship.

Honorable Mention was awarded to Abby Jones, of Springboro. Abby is an eighth grader at Springboro Junior High. Abby played “Sonata” by Breval. She studies cello with Victor Firlie of Lebanon and plays with the Springboro School Orchestra, Middletown Youth Symphony, and the Lebanon Youth Symphony. Abby will attend a summer cello camp in Mason with the proceeds provided by the scholarship. Judges for these scholarships were Cynthia Burkhart, Marilyn Ifcic, and Diane Norton. All winners and their parents will be recognized at Middletown Symphony’s last concert at 8 p.m. May 15 at Dave Finkelman Auditorium, featuring Tomoko Kanamaru, piano soloist, and the Middletown Concert Chorale, directed by Richard Casey.



Oh, the Places Students Will Go!

Third and Fourth grade students at Dennis East Elementary participated in a special day during the school's career week. A firefighter, CareFlight nurse, dog warden, U.S. Special Agent, photographer, Regional Recruiting Manager for a restaurant, Air Force paratrooper, mechanical engineer, sign-language interpreter, FBI Special Agent, attorney, veterinary technician, and even a State Senator came and spoke about their careers. Students rotated from class to class to hear about the education required, as well as the qualities, skills, and personality traits it takes to be a successful person at any of these jobs. Students were able to ask questions of the speakers and learned quite a bit about how important it is to get an education!



Students in Mrs. McAlpine's 4th grade class listened to Senator Shannon Jones speak about having a career in the state in which you must be elected.



Justin Sanclemente dresses up as a fireman while students listen to Captain Jeff Prass talk about all the duties of a firefighter!

H o m e R u n f o r L i f e

At the April 28th Dragon's game, Justin Palmer, a second grader at Five Points Elementary, was invited by Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield to be an honored guest to participate in their Home Run for Life. In 2008, Justin was diagnosed with Type 1 Diabetes. Justin has to check his blood sugar six to eight times a day. Despite his illness, Justin is very open about his condition. He likes to tell his friends and classmates about his experience with diabetes. Cindy Manoni, Five Points Elementary School Nurse, said, "Justin is such a neat kid. Justin can smile, run bases with the Dragon's and wake up with the "big D" (diabetes) and smile again. It was an honor to be one of his chosen guests at the Dragon's game."



J H S p r i n g S p o r t s A w a r d s



This past Tuesday night (May 11), the Junior High School Athletic Department held their Spring Sports Awards night to officially conclude the 2009 -2010 spring sport season. The night was well attended by coaches, student-athletes, and parents as Junior High Athletic Director Ben Shroyer congratulated everyone on successful seasons. Highlights of the night included a trophy presentation from the girls track team for winning their fourth consecutive GWOC (conference) championship. The boys track team was also recognized for their 2nd place finish at the GWOC meet.

The Spring Sport All-Around Student-Athlete Award was also given out to one male and female student-athlete which portrays athletic ability, intangible character skills and attributes, and high academic achievement. Winners of this year's spring award were: Julie Kessler and Josh Steenbock. Mr. Steve Wray of Edward Jones Financial Investments was the presenter and sponsor of this prestigious award.

S p r i n g b o r o S u m m e r V o l l e y b a l l C a m p s

Plans are in place for the 2010 Springboro Schools Summer Volleyball Camps. The camps will be held the week of July 26th and there will be separate sessions for girls who will be entering 3rd - 6th grades and girls who will be entering 7th - 10th grades in the 2010/2011 school year. More information and a registration form for the camps can be accessed here <http://www.springboro.org/community/flyers/summervolleyballcamps.pdf>. Open gyms and conditioning sessions have also been scheduled for girls who are interested in trying out for volleyball teams at the Junior High or High School. Please contact our new varsity volleyball coach, Kevin Sedensky, at ksedensky@netscape.net if you have any questions about Springboro Volleyball or to receive a copy of the summer schedule of activities. Volleyball try outs for all Junior High and High School teams will be August 9-11th, and you must have a Physical Form completed prior to try outs.

Boys Basketball Has Announced Their Dates for Summer Basketball Camps



Little Dribblers Basketball Camp for students entering grades K-2 next year will run June 7-10 from 6:00-7:30 at Dennis Elementary.

Fundamentals Basketball Camp for students entering grades 3-8 next year will run June 7-11 from 1:00-4:00.

Competition Basketball Camp for students entering grades 2-8 next year will run July 12-16 from 9-12.

Registration is now available at www.springboroyouthbasketball.com.

DATES TO REMEMBER

LATE START DAY - MAY 19

MARKET DAY PICK UP - MAY 22

SENIOR AWARD NIGHT - MAY 26

MEMORIAL DAY - MAY 31

GRADUATION @ NUTTER CENTER - JUNE 6

