



Ross Street Newsletter

December 2011 Principal's Corner

Hear those jingle bells? It must be the holidays! The month of November was extremely busy for Ross Street that I am going to allow my faculty to "brag" about our accomplishments on the next few pages. Before you turn the page I want to share with you two exciting pieces of news: a) Ross Street was the recipient of a \$2000 donation from BP, which will be used to fund more technology for the building; and b) Through the American Dairy Association & Dairy Council, Inc., the America's Dairy Farmers and Fuel Up to Play 60, Ross Street was the recipient of a \$1700 grant to launch a nutritional/physically healthy program for the entire student population. Special "thanks" are extended to BP and Ms. Balog, School Nurse for being instrumental in Ross Street being awarded such generous grants!

Continuing with my commitment to making each day a safe and rewarding one for the children of Ross Street, please remember the following:

- 1) All parents/guardians must report to the office at all times when entering the building.
- 2) Regular attendance and arrival to school on time are imperative. AM drop-off 8:55 (breakfast program 8:30) PM Pick-up 3:30; AM Kindergarten pick-up time is 11:25 AM and PM Kindergarten pick-up time is 3:30 PM.
- 3) Change in any pick-up/drop-off for your child a note must be sent to school on the day of change with the contact person and telephone number.
- 4) Late drop-off you must sign-in your child in the Main Office.

At Ross Street School, we respect each child who walks through our door. Remember EVERY Friday is SPIRIT DAY, children should wear their blue and white to school to show their school spirit for #11. In closing, to emphasize our motto: "OUR PATH TO SUCCESS BEGINS TODAY" should be a constant reminder to us all that because of everyone's continued support and commitment, we will make this school the #1 school in the district!

Ms. Kimberly B. Hahn

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All About Third Grade!



Our children are embarking on a new technology adventure in reading. The entire third grade now has access to Raz-kidz.com which focuses on language arts. The use of Raz-kidz enables students to listen, read, and check comprehension on leveled books. We congratulate those students who have successfully completed their current reading level and have progressed to the next.

Another technological journey that has just begun is measuringuplive.com. This program is similar to Study Island and focuses both on language arts and math. We are looking forward to viewing students' results.

From the entire third grade faculty, we wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season!



Ross Street Physical Education - Newsletter Update

By Colleen Wagner, PE Teacher



The Ross Street Physical Education program began the year with some interesting ice-breaking lessons. The students learned how to work together in order to accomplish a common goal. The students and I really got to know one another with fun name games. Next we jumped into skill work with four different track tests which included the 50 and 100 yard dash, the long jump, and the softball toss. Following, the students completed a football unit where such skills as throwing, catching, and handoffs were learned. Most recently a soccer unit was executed. The students showed off their skills by kicking, passing, shooting, and throwing a soccer ball. All grade levels participated in both indoor and outdoor soccer games to further advance their skill level. As we look forward, some of things we will accomplish include but are not limited to: Fitness Gram, Sled Racing, Basketball Unit, Volleyball Unit, Parachute Games, Cooperative Games, Fitness Training, Softball Unit, and of course our grand event, the Track Meet. I cannot wait!



The Latest Art News

By: Mrs. Padilla



As the Holidays are fast approaching, our Ross Street artists are working steadily on their projects. Art club is now gaining momentum, initiated by third grade members during the month of October. Recently, fourth grade members enjoyed creating decorations for the season. Across the grade levels, initial projects have focused on skill development. In contrast, students are now creating works that require even more use of their imaginations.

For example:

- First grade is creating fantasy animals
- Second grade – paper “relief” sculptures
- Third grade – fantasy rainforest birds
- Fourth grade – origami
- Fifth grade – watercolor impressions

From the art room, wishing all of our Ross Street School families a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!