

North Notes

N O R T H E L E M E N T A R Y S C H O O L

SYCAMORE SCHOOL DISTRICT KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Children who will be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2010 are eligible for Kindergarten in August, 2010

**Tues, February 9, 2010
8:30 A.M.—7:30 P.M.**

Registration and Screenings are being held at South Prairie School
Phone North School (899-8209) to reserve your registration time

F R O M O U R P R I N C I P A L

Dear North School Families,

With love in mind, I would like to thank all of you for keeping me in your thoughts during my leave. I cannot tell you how happy I am to be back at North. You were all a huge part of my recuperation. Again, thank you for everything! I am very lucky being a North Star.

The building is a buzz with STARS reading for grades kindergarten through second. This program allows students an opportunity to work at their individual reading level. Third grade is continuing the swimming unit at the YMCA. Third, fourth and fifth grades are preparing for ISAT testing which will be given the first week of March.

—Kathy Spiewak

MUSIC NOTES

4th Grade Recorder

Students in 4th grade have been learning new notes and turning those squeaks and squawks into lovely melodies of tunes that you may remember playing when you were young. They are now passing songs and earning belts to mark their progress on reading notation and playing their instruments. Students who need some extra help or who would like to progress at a faster rate may come to Mrs. Mertens' music office on Friday mornings at 8:15 or may stay after school most Thursdays to test or get some extra hints. All students should be playing their home recorders on a regular basis, about 5 minutes a day. This regular practice teaches your child that breaking a project or test study into small amounts of work makes for greater gains towards their goals. If your child still needs a recorder, they are available from Mrs. Mertens for \$5 each.

Spring Sing

Monday, April 12th at 7:00 p.m. will be the Spring Sing for all students in 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades. Our theme this year is movement. The students are already hard at work planning and practicing for an entertaining evening the whole family can enjoy and maybe even learn a little something new. Be looking for more information in your Wednesday folders as this date approaches.



North School Yearbook

Be sure to order your 2009-2010 North School Yearbook. The cost is \$10 per book. Order forms are in this Wednesday folder. Order forms and payments are due in the office no later than Friday, February 26th.

Character Counts!

Message to Our Parents

We have recently started our fourth pillar of Good Character, **Respect**. Respectful words of the week will include:
The Golden Rule, Peaceful alternatives, Acceptance, Respecting Diversity, Courtesy, and Good Manners.

Your child will be learning about the following skills during the school day. Please be sure to praise your child when he or she:

- Doesn't interrupt when you are speaking
- Listens respectfully
- Asks permission before using something that belongs to another person
- Doesn't join in when someone is being teased
- Uses good manners
- Is polite

The following students have been nominated for exhibiting these very important character traits. Congratulations to all of our students for practicing good character everywhere all the time!

Caring

Zachary
Olivia
Sarah
Matthew
Dylan
Maggie
Allyson
Kaitlyn
Maria
Maylissa
Jennifer
Kacey
Megan

Charity

Mitch
Emma
Lauren
Ayden
Will
Gabe
Luke
Haley
Joey
Nick
Zeena
Jesse
Kiyas

Helping

Lynsey
Eli
Cole
Genna
Nolan
Massimo
Hunter
Michael
Athena
Camryn
Nadia
Taryn

Empathy/Feelings

Zachary
Maria
Derek
Melanie
Ariana
Bryce
Alex
Connor
Kaylee
Jenna
Tyler
Sarah
Brianna

Forgiving

Danielle
Tommy
Kendell
Carissa
Keegan
Meghan
Zach
Nathan
Alexis
Tallon
Roan
David
Ashley

Friendship

Jackson
Roman
Luis
Morgan
Stephan
Anthony
Camryn
Susanna
Giovanni
Carlos
Maizy

Praising

Justin
Jacob
Tiffany
Mallory
Erik
Halle
Matt
Kaylee
Drew
Megan
Mahitha
Abby
Victoria

