

Jim Stone Elementary Newsletter

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Mr. Lewis' Weekly Round-Up....

Congratulations to all of our students and staff for a successful testing period! If you talk to teachers and to students, it sounds like we should expect great things!!!

Help Wanted!

Fine Arts Festival is fast approaching!

We're traveling to Europe this year!!! Parents are needed for a variety of projects: we need a few "google savvy" parents to do some Internet research, as well as some "travel savvy" parents who have been to Europe to loan us copies of pictures, posters, or brochures. We will be working on the festival preparations the week of April 23rd, so if you can stop by any day that week we could definitely use you!!

If you could help with any if these tasks, please email Melinda Kerby-Moore at mkmoore@conwaycorp.net.

Thank you! Merci! Grazie! Gracias!



Upcoming Events

- April 23-27 Screen Free Week Events April 24 - 3rd&4th Grade Musical
- April 25 BMX Bike Show

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- April 30-May 4 Fine Arts Festival May 15 @ 5-8 dine in and drive thru Zaxbys
- May 23rd Last day of school

Word of the Month Perseverance – Never giving up



2012 Kids Firefighter Competition

April 13th – Wal-Mart Super Center Dave Ward Drive – 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

May 4th - Central Fire Station 1401 Caldwell St. - 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm

Hey KIDS! Wouldn't it be fun to see what it's like to be a real firefighter?

Come join the fun with the Conway Fire Department in the annual Crawl, Drag & Squirt - 2012 Kids Firefighter Competition. You can learn how to carry a highrise hose pack, crawl through an attic space, chop through a rooftop, spray water at a target and drag a crash dummy... just like a real firefighter!

The Conway Fire Department will set-up a preliminary event course at the above locations, so you can race with other kids your age to see who can go through the course the fastest! Each participant will receive a red Firefighter helmet. One lucky boy and girl with the fastest time in each category (K, $1^{st} - 2^{nd}$ and $3^{rd} - 4^{th}$) will be selected to compete at the final competition during the Annual Toad Suck Daze festival in downtown Conway on Saturday, May 5th, 2012.

Hope to see you there!

Parents please note: A Permission and Release Form must be signed before participation











School Menu April 16th - 20th, 2012

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	1
Breakfast Pizza or Whole Grain Pop- tart & Cereal Assorted Fruit Juice Milk of Choice	Pillsbury Maple Mini Pancakes w/Crispy Bacon or Super Donut & Ce- real Assorted Fruit Juice Milk of Choice	· · ·	Breakfast Burrito w/Salsa or Super Donut & Ce- real Assorted Fruit Juice Milk of Choice	Pancake & Sausage on a Stick or Whole Grain Poptart & Cereal Assorted Fruit Juice Milk of Choice	BREAKFAST
Choice of One: Hamburger on Bun w/Baked Chips Yogurt Cup w/ Pizza Stick Choice of Two: Spinach Salad w/ Cherry Tomatoes Vegetable Soup Fruit Cocktail Milk of Choice	Choice of One: Beef Nachos Chicken Nachos Choice of Two: Carrot & Celery Sticks w/Dip Seasoned Pinto Beans Rainbow Sherbet Milk of Choice	Choice of One: Chicken & Noodles Lasagna Choice of Two: Seasoned Green Beans Fruit Cocktail Red Delicious Apple Cheesy Breadstick Milk of Choice	Choice of One: Hamburger Steak w/Gravy Baked Glazed Ham Choice of Two: Mashed Potatoes Blackeyed Peas Orange Wedges Whole Wheat Cin- namon Puffs Milk of Choice Chocolate Bear Grahams Milk of Choice	Choice of One: Papa Murphy's Pep- peroni Pizza BBQ Chicken Sand- wich w/Baked Chips Choice of Two: Deluxe Garden Sal- ad w/Dressing Applesauce Cup Frozen Juice Bar Milk of Choice	LUNCH

Monster in the G. T. Classroom....

Each May a messy monster enters the G. T. classroom to create a fun and productive end to the school year. I created this unit to help motivate students to "want" to attend school during that last month of school when things are winding down. I'd like to give you a bit of a heads up so you'll have time to voice concerns about this activity. I've listed below the activities involved and the skills taught. Please let me know if you have questions or concerns. I promise this is not a scary thing more like the movie, "Monster's Inc." Kids that have been involved in this begin asking in September; "When is the monster coming back to the G. T. Classroom?"

The Fine Arts festival will be the first week of May this year and we will be getting out earlier so I will be shortening the number of weeks we work on this, just not sure how yet J

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Week 1 - Sequencing/Observation - the students will enter the room and follow the "monsters" footprints around the classroom to find clues of the nine messes the monster made.

Week 2 - Sketch Artist/How to ask a good question - the students must use the clues from the previous week and ask yes and no questions to determine what the monster looks like. Then they draw the monster.

Week 3 - Left Brain Logic - students exercise the left side of the brain to solve logic problems that give them even more information about the monster.

Week 4 - The Trap/Problem Solving - the final week is spent building a friendly trap to Catch the monster to let him know that he is always welcome in the G. T. room, but has to clean up the messes he makes.



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