



The Eagle's Examiner

DEERFIELD ELEMENTARY PTA'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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Message from Our TSA/Intern Coordinator

Dear Parents,

The Annual Deerfield Reading Contest is off to a wonderful start! After two weeks of reading, our students have read 356,849 minutes!! They are well on the way their goal of reading one million minutes and turning Mr. Dalley into a Human S'more! The students are all excited about reading thanks to the contest!

The PTA Reading Contest Committee has designed a great contest, with class and individual student winners each week! We are so lucky to have such supportive parents at Deerfield!

Caroline Knadler
TSA/Intern Coordinator, Deerfield Elementary

Take Home Reading

Thanks you parents for your continued support each year of the Take Home Reading program. This program is so valuable for our students here at Deerfield. Please remember that consistent reading (3–5 books exchanged each week) is the best way to keep your student engaged with their reading and it also helps them to progress with their reading levels. If students are on higher levels or reading chapter books, they are allowed to keep the books for 3 weeks. No other books should be kept out longer than this. It has been my experience that if books are out more than 30 days at a time, the books become lost and the student does not progress with their reading levels.

We are also **IN NEED** of Ziploc Bags for our THR books! As some of the books are heavy, the Ziploc-Double Zipper, Freezer Bags seem to hold up the best. If you would like to donate these bags to the THR please bring them to the front office. Thank you!

Bookfair February 3–6

The Deerfield Scholastic Book Fair will be held February 3–6 in the library. Come choose a new book or two for the Reading Contest!

We will be open: Tuesday and Friday from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm and Wednesday and Thursday from 9:30 am to 7:30 pm.

We are asking students to wait to begin to purchase items until after school on Tuesday because of classroom visits and the read-a-thon that will be happening during lunch hours that day. Parents are welcome to visit any time!

CALENDAR

Monday, February 2

Reading Contest cont. Feb 11
Cookie Dough Kick Off

Tuesday, February 3

Reading Contest Activity
Play rehearsal 6:00pm
Band concert 7:30pm

February 3–6

Book Fair

February 4-5

PT Conferences

Monday, February 9

Career Day
Play rehearsal 6:00pm

Tuesday, February 10

Valentine Grams
PTA Mtg 9:30am
Play rehearsal 6:00pm

Wednesday, February 11

Valentine Grams
2nd Grade to Bean Museum
9:30am

Thursday, February 12

Valentine Grams
Play rehearsal 6:00pm

Friday, February 13

Valentine Grams
Valentine Parties

Monday, February 16

President's Day No School

Wednesday, February 17

Reading Contest Assem. 9:30am
Play rehearsal 6:00pm

Friday, February 20

Reading Contest Lunch

Thursday, February 28

District Science Fair

Reading Contest Feb 3-11

We have some exciting things happening this month for the reading contest! We are holding a couple of lunchtime read-a-thons where we will offer double minutes! These will be held February 3rd and 10th during lunch in the Eagle's Nest. Have your students bring a sack lunch and their favorite book. We will provide some fun "camping snacks!" We are doing awesome so far and have had some impressive numbers coming in. Please remind your student that every child at Deerfield needs to read 36 minutes or more per day in order for us to meet our goal of 1,000,000 minutes!

FEB 3RD-PJ day and lunchtime read-a-thon 11-1
(in the Eagle's Nest)

FEB 10TH-Camo day and lunchtime read-a-thon 11-1
(in the Eagle's Nest)

FEB 12TH-All minutes due

FEB 16TH-Closing Assembly

FEB 19TH-Winners Lunch at Chick-fil-a

Year Books & Cover Contest

Thank you to all of our 6th graders who participated in our YB Spotlights! Please don't delay in purchasing your YB today! You can place an order online directly through Deerfield's website thru March 19th or turn in orders to the office by end of February.

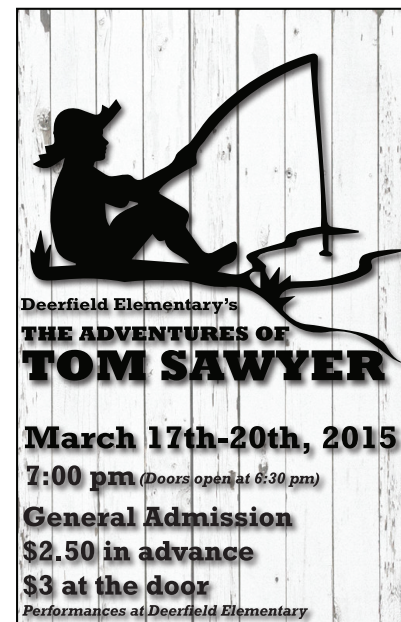
We will still be accepting Cover Contest entries thru the week of Parent Teacher Conference so please encourage your child to enter! This year's theme is, "Deerfield Eagles; A Nest Above The Rest!" All students K-6th are invited to participate. Please turn in entries to the office, 8 1/2x11" with student's Name, Teacher, Grade and contact #. Finally, thank you to our Room Parent Volunteers for helping your teacher/class upload fun pics for the YB this year! If you are interested in uploading pictures from your student's class or schoolwide events please contact your Room Parent or a YB advisor for easy instructions on how to do this! We need all class pics uploaded by end of February. Questions, contact Lisa Newell 801-376-1165

School Spirit

Spirit Days is off and running and the battle of the grades is well underway. There have been 3 class parties so far! Remember to wear Deerfield colors (there has to be an obvious effort made in order for clothes to qualify) every Friday to help your class win! Teachers, remember to send in the tallies to the office ASAP On Friday mornings. Thanks! DaNae Slade

School Play, Tom Sawyer!

The School Play opens in about 6 1/2 weeks! Wow! Continue to watch your rehearsal schedules for which nights/times your actors are supposed to be at rehearsal! Lots of info coming about t-shirt orders, costumes, committee help, Sawyer-Gram sales, DVD orders etc. Ticket sales will start Thursday March 12. Thanks for all you do to make the school play so successful! Contact Annalee Dimond with any questions: sadimond@msn.com or text 801-830-9391



Career Day February 9th

Career days will be on February 9th. We are still in need of a few volunteers to help present in the 5th and 6th grade classrooms.

The purpose of career days is to educate our students about different career opportunities. Listed below are some ideas to include in the presentations.

1. Educational experience
2. Benefits/rewarding experiences
3. Challenges within the profession
4. How does your job benefit the community.

Presenters will rotate through 6 classrooms spending 15 minutes in each classroom.

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Mile Club Starting in March!

Mile club begins on March 10th. We are super excited to have all of our fantastic runners back and look forward to making new running friends. If you paid for the mile club in the fall there will be no fee if you are a NEW running friend then it will be a fee of \$10. Look forward to running with you soon!