

# DYNAMITE NEWS

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## School Stuff

### DAVINCI THEATER

DaVinci is holding its very first theater production entitled, "The Wolf was Framed." Students from 4th to 8th grade are involved in this crazy production about the Big Bad Wolf being taken to trial for his crimes against the various nursery rhyme and fairy tale characters. Performances start at 7:00 p.m. on both **Tuesday, April 5 and Wednesday, April 6**. Tickets can be purchased from the main office or at the door for \$3.00/adult and \$1.00/child.

### PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Through our authorizer, Friends of Education, we have been given a great opportunity for staff development. Unfortunately, this will take place on April 8, which was meant to be a parent conference day. We are going to change conference times to add an extra evening to accommodate. So conferences will be held on:

**April 11, 4:30 – 7:30 p.m.**

**April 12, 4:30 – 7:30 p.m.**

**April 14, 4:30 – 7:30 p.m.**

Please call the front desk to schedule conferences.

### STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS

**Spencer S.**, Miss Nelson's 5th grade class, was among those honored by the Anoka Area Hockey Association last Sunday. Each year, the Hockey Moms Club, along with the Hockey Association, honor students for "successfully fulfilling the academic requirements for the S.K.A.T.E. program". To be accepted into the S.K.A.T.E. program (Skaters Keep Achieving Through Education), students must maintain at least a 'B' average during the Hockey Season.

If your student is up to something that you would like to share with everyone (theatre, awards, etc.), let us know.

### MCA TESTING

MCA Testing will be starting the week of April 11th. Below is the schedule we will be following:

**Monday, April 11**

No Testing

**Tuesday, April 12**

9:30—11:00

Reading

**Wednesday, April 13**

9:30—11:00

Reading

**Thursday, April 14**

9:30—11:00

Finish up Reading

**Friday, April 15**

Make up testing through out the day, as needed

**Monday, April 18**

9:30—11:00

Math

**Tuesday, April 19**

9:30—11:00

Math

**Wednesday, April 20**

9:30—11:00

Math

**Thursday, April 21**

Make up for math and reading throughout the day, as needed.

Please make sure your child gets plenty of sleep during testing and has a nutritious breakfast.

We are still looking for lots of volunteers to help with testing. If possible, we would like volunteers who can be available each day so that there is some consistency. If you are available, please contact Ms. Moffat at [tmoffatt@davinchicharterschool.org](mailto:tmoffatt@davinchicharterschool.org) as soon as possible.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

**No School**

Monday, April 7-8

**Parent-Teacher Conferences**

April 11, 12, and 14

4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

**MCA Testing**

April 12-April 21

**Communications Committee**

Tuesday, April 12

6 p.m.

**School Board Meeting**

April 18

6:00 p.m.

**PTO General Meeting**

April 19

6:30 p.m.

**No School**

April 22-29

**Intercession**

May 2-6

### KINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT

2011-2012 Kindergarten enrollment packets are due. Please bring them to Marcia in the office.

### MAY INTERSESSION

Our May 2-6 Intercession listing is attached. Please notice the important April 15th registration deadline for those who want to participate.

“The part can never be well unless the whole is well.”

~Plato



## READ-A-THON UPDATE

Thank you to all of the students who participated by reading and bringing in pledges! The students read over 200,000 minutes and brought in over \$9,400. WAY TO GO DaVinci students!

A Special Thank you to Denise Young, Angie Stanislawski and especially Tammy Ness for all the hours they gave to count pledges and tally minutes!

## UNIFORM SWAP

The uniform swap will be taking place during conferences **April 11, 12 and 14** from 4:30 - 7:30 p.m. Bring in those uniforms your children have grown out of and trade for the correct size! You can pick one item for each item you bring in. There is a box next to the front desk where you can drop off items for the swap. Please place them in a bag labeled with your name. Only labeled items will be guaranteed a swap ticket, which you will receive when you arrive at the swap. On Thursday evening, you will be able to purchase any items left for \$3 each.

## 3RD ANNUAL BOXTOPS CONTEST

Don't forget to send boxtops in with your students - please make sure they are labeled with your child's name and classroom so they get credit for them! The classroom that brings in the most boxtops will win an ice-cream party. If you have any questions please email Jonell Folska on [folskajr@comcast.net](mailto:folskajr@comcast.net).

## READ-A-THON REWARD LUNCH

On Thursday last week Mr. Hobson hosted the Read—A-Thon reward lunch. Those students who read the most minutes, or who brought in the most pledges in each homeroom class were invited to attend. These students were treated to a special lunch and Mr. Hobson singing opera in a tuxedo.

Congratulations to all for great work during our Read-A-Thon!

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The PTO supplies a monthly treat for the teachers' lounge. If you are interested in signing up, please email Tammy at [tammy.k.ness@gmail.com](mailto:tammy.k.ness@gmail.com).

The teacher appreciation breakfast is scheduled for **Tuesday, May 10**. If you would like to help set-up, serve or prepare food, please email Dina at [jcbondslave@yahoo.com](mailto:jcbondslave@yahoo.com).

We are looking for people to make food for the parent-teacher conferences on April 8, 11 and 12. If you would like to help, please email Patti at [pattianncross@yahoo.com](mailto:pattianncross@yahoo.com).

The spring uniform swap will be during conferences and we are looking for helpers. If interested, please email Patti at [pattianncross@yahoo.com](mailto:pattianncross@yahoo.com).

We are looking for someone to do day-care at the April 19 and May 17 PTO meetings. If interested, please email Patti Cross [pattianncross@yahoo.com](mailto:pattianncross@yahoo.com).

