

DYNAMITE NEWS

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School Stuff

NO SCHOOL, OFFICE CLOSED

Remember, there is no school from Monday, March 14 – Friday, March 18. Also, the school office will be closed during this time.

CHANGES TO HOMEWORK CLUB

Beginning the week of March 21, we are implementing the following changes to Homework Club:

Homework club will now be offered only Tuesdays and Thursdays until 5:15 p.m.

Students must have homework and a teacher invitation (Homework Club Ticket) to attend homework club.

Students must be picked up no later than 5:15. If students are picked up late, they will not be invited to attend homework club.

We will notify families of those who are invited to attend Homework Club at least one day in advance.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

"Cheerfulness keeps up a kind of daylight in the mind, filling it with a steady and perpetual serenity"

~Joseph Addison

CRAFTS CLUB

For students in grades 1 – 3

If you like making crafts and enjoy learning new things, this class will offer you a variety of different crafts to make and take. We will be meeting on Tuesdays after school in the art room until 5:30 p.m. Materials and snack are included in the class fee.

Session 1 – 5 classes

March 22, 29 and April 5, 12, 19

Cost \$50

Session 2 – 5 classes

May 10, 17, 24, 31 and June 7

Cost \$50

Contact Laurie Beil, DaVinci Art Instructor to sign up! Call me at school or email me at lbeil@davincicharterschool.org.

ART STUDIO

For students in grades 4 – 8

This class is for students looking for new opportunities to challenge their creativity and art skills. We will be meeting on Mondays after school in the art room until 5:30 p.m. Materials and snack are included in the class fee.

Session 1 – 5 classes

March 21, 28 and April 4, 11, 18

Cost: \$50

Session 2 – 5 classes

May 9, 16, 23, and June 6, 13

Cost: \$50

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DON'T FORGET TO CHECK OUT THE 2011 CAPITOL ART SHOW

DaVinci students Samantha B. grade five, and Erin F., grade three, will be honored by having their work on display in the State Capitol from Sunday, February 27 – Saturday, March 12 in honor of Youth Art Month, a nationwide celebration of the importance of visual art education.



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STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS

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



OFFICER NOMINATIONS DUE

Please see the attached PTO Nomination forms and job descriptions. Please return your nomination to the front desk by Friday, March 11. Any questions, please contact Rachael at rdburesh@comcast.net.

A HUGE THANK YOU

Thank you to all the volunteers and readers for making the DaVinci Read in a huge success. Thank you all so much.

READ-A-THON

The read-a-thon is well under way with one week done and two more to go. This last weekend was super-charged with reading and lots of students participated by reading twice as much as usual. Way to go students and parents for finding time to read!! This week and next Ms. Moffatt will be making phone calls to check if your student is reading. If they 'get caught reading' they can see Ms. Moffatt for a gift certificate for a \$5 book and their name will go up on the poster at school to let everyone know that they 'got caught reading'! Remember to visit the website at www.MoreUsborneBooks.com to make your wish list. You can add any book on the website to your student's wish list EXCEPT for the "Internet Only" and "Clearance" books. Your student will get half of all the pledges they collect in books for themselves and the other half goes to the PTO for new equipment needed at the school and voted on by the students that bring in pledges. Remember you can send in pledges and minutes each school day!

Keep up the great job reading and collecting pledges!

PTO MEETING

There is a General meeting on Tuesday, March 22 at 6:30 p.m. There WILL NOT be child care.

TERRACYCLE UPDATE

At the beginning of the month 657 juice pouches, 44 ink jet cartridges and 6 cell phones were sent in for redemption.

DaVinci is now collecting the following electronic items: laptops, MP3 players and digital cameras. We'll get double points if we send any of these items in by Earth Day, April 22!

All brigades we are signed up for are:

- juice pouches – any
- candy wrapper – any intact
- cookie wrapper – all brands and sizes of cookie wrappers (no inner trays)
- energy bar wrapper – any foil lined energy or granola bar
- cell phones, \$0.40 each
- diaper bag packaging – outer printed bags only
- tape dispenser and rolls
- cereal bags
- Elmer's glue sticks and bottles
- ink jet cartridges, \$0.25 each
- Kashi packaging – cardboard boxes and bar wrappers
- lunch kits like Lunchables – all of the packaging, even the cardboard
- laptop, \$5.00 each
- digital camera, \$2.00 each
- MP3 player, \$2.00 each

We receive \$0.02 per item except as marked.

Dates To Remember

Read-a-Thon
Feb 28—March 18

Finance Committee
Monday, March 7
6:00 p.m.

Policies/Procedures Committee
Monday, March 7
Cancelled

Communications Committee
Tuesday, March 8
6:00 p.m.

No School
Monday March 14 – Friday, March 18

Compensation Ad Hoc
Tuesday, March 14
6:00 p.m.

Board Meeting
Monday, March 21
6:00 p.m.

Facilities/Technology Committee
Tuesday, March 29
6 p.m.