

Montgomery Elementary School Newsletter

Friday, April 16, 2010

“New Moon “ – playing at the Town Library tonight, from 7 to 9:30 p.m.

Junior Gardener’s will meet after school on **Tuesday, April 20th** from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Permission slips are available in the office. Gardeners will be starting a “tomato project!”

Jump-A-Thon – Wednesday, April 21st
Students in grades K-8 may participate in this American Heart Association event to raise money for the organization, learn how the heart works and how to take care of it! Permission slips are available at school.

Girls on the Run and Girls on Track –
Next week practices will be held from 3:15 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. on Mon. & Thurs., April 19th & 22nd.

The **Early Childhood** program will screen pre-schoolers in **Berkshire** in **May** for entrance into pre-school programs in **Montgomery and throughout FNESU** next year. Please call **933-7705** if you have or know of a three or four year old needing to be screened.

Small Fry Soccer Clinic - Johnson State College for boys and girls in pre-K through 8th grade. **Sundays, April 18, April 25 & May 2**, 9 to 11 am
Registration forms are available in the office.

Enosburg Soccer Club – Summer Soccer Program 2010
Boys and girls in grades 1-8 are invited to participate in a July & August Summer Soccer Program. The cost is \$20 per player. Registration forms are available in the school office or you may this registration date: **Saturday, April 17th from 9 to 10**, in the EFMHS Gym Lobby. Please contact Randy Swainbank at 933-8815 or Donna Flanders at 827-6655 with any questions.

Blood Drive – Sunday, April 18th 10 to 3 p.m.
St. Isidore’s Parish Hall – sponsored by Montgomery Rescue & the American Red Cross.

D.C. Trip for 8th graders – May 23-27
Boston Trip for 5th-7th graders – June 1-3
Last day of school – Wed. June 9

8th Grade Dinner – Tuesday, May 18th
Graduation - June 4th 6 p.m.
Graduation Dance - following graduation

The **Scholastic Book Fair** was a great success! Thanks to our terrific volunteers: Marnie Bimm, Kristina Bowen, Crystal Johnson, Julie Rapoport and Ruth Little for helping.

Students in grades PK-4 voted for their favorite **Red Clover** book last week. The student favorite at MES by a huge margin was **Owney, the Mail Pouch Pooch**, by Mona Kerby. **Chicken in the Family** by Mary Amato was the MES 2nd place book. Our votes join the votes from students all over VT and the state winner will be announced soon!

The MES favorite book from **the Dorothy Canfield Fisher [DCF] book collection** was **Knucklehead**, by Jon Scieszka; a collection of short stories from his boyhood. The winner has already been reported [as these votes are collected electronically] and the student choice from VT is **The Hunger Games**, by Suzanne Collins. **Catching Fire** is the sequel and is already circulating here (think Book Fair)! –
R. Bryce

Taylor Greenway, teen author of “**Darien**”, will host her first book signing at Tosca’s Restaurant on Sunday, April 18th, from 1 to 4 p.m! Copies of her book and refreshments will be available.

Rummage & Bake Sale, Saturday, May 8th, starting at 8 a.m., sponsored by the United Methodist Women. Donations are now being accepted – you may leave items on the church steps at your convenience.

Town Library events: 4/26 Cooking with Chef Bettie, 4/28 Family Games & Cartoons, and 4/30 Pottery with Tanya (\$5 per fired item).

Look for 2nd grade poems on page two!

Did you know that April is poetry month? Mrs. Bruzzi's second grade class is celebrating poetry throughout the month by reading poems, writing poems, and learning about different children poets. Here are two of the poems we have written as a class that we would like to share with you.

SECOND GRADE SMARTIES

Second grade is awesome,
The students have really started to blossom.
Boys and girls are learning from mistakes and growing strong,
They like to go to class in the morning and hear the bell go BONG!

The students are learning hard skills in math,
They are all on the right path.
ALL of them LOVE to read,
They are all going to succeed!

The students' writing skills are growing,
Their imagination and creativity is really showing.
Boys and girls work together as a team,
When you walk by, you can really see them GLEAM!

READING IS FUN

Reading is what we like to do because it helps us be better writers.

Empy brains are not good for you so **R**EAD to make them **F**ULL!

All of the students in second grade **L**OVE to read!

Do read because you can learn about animals, the world, history, and many more things.

It is important to learn how to read so that you can get a job you like doing when you are older.

Non-fiction books are the hardest to understand so read them slowly.

Get away from the television and video games and grab a book to read!