



THE WORLD SCHOOLS

MARCH 2010 Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

We are all so spent by this crazy winter weather that it is important to remember that there is a balmy spring day waiting to dawn in our near future!! (optimism springs eternal!!)

February brought us many wonderful events such as our awesome Mardi Gras Parade, (merci, **Mme. Doxey and all involved!**), our 3's Friendship Teas (Great job, **teachers, parents and children!**), Friendship Parties, Elementary snow shoeing and skiing, wonderful field trips, **special guests such as dental hygienists**, our exciting Invention Convention (Thank you to **Sherrie Juris and Tim Camitta, our judges, for taking the time out of your busy schedules and to Marie Kirk, Jill Camitta, Lisa Dias and Grade 4 students** for your hard work), the continued Ash Street Shelter program (Thanks, **Ms. Kim and the Kindergarten/Elementary teams this month**) and our fantastic February Vacation Week Program! Special words of gratitude to Board members, Gary Nelson and Michael Chung for the informative meetings they had with some of the staff.

Blowing in with the March winds are some very busy days for all of us here. All families should have made their commitments regarding re-registration for Summer Camp and September classes by now. If you have not, please call Stacey right away as we have opened available spaces to the waiting lists that we have.

Just a heads up...The Week of the Young Child and our annual Open House are coming in April and it is a most exciting time for all of us at The World Schools. Everyone is working feverishly on projects for **family and friends** to be proud of at our Open House display. Plan to join us for these VERY special events!!

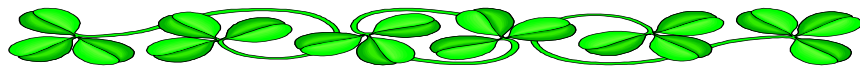
In March we will hold our World Schools' sponsored Early Childhood Professional Day, begin Daylight Savings Time, have a Development Committee meeting, share our wonderful Character Ed program by **Ms. Webber's Class** on Respect, start our 'Fit Kids' Program (thank you, Shelley Brennan!), celebrate St. Patrick's (Green) Day and the beginning of Spring, offer AED (defibrillator) training for the staff (thanks to Mr. Dias!), recognize some staff members at the Rotary West **Exemplary Workers Breakfast** and end our grading period. We are just moving right along through this school year!! Wow!

Thank you, in advance, for your support of our Silent Auction during the Week of the Young Child. As always, you are so vital in helping us provide quality for our children. We appreciate all of your efforts.

We look forward to Spring, warm breezes and rays of sunshine!

Warm Regards,

Kathy, Lynn, Lisa, Martha, Laurie, Phyllis and Stacey for us all!



"...When Irish eyes are smilin', sure does steal your heart away!!"
Erin Go Braugh!

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MISSION:

*To educate, nurture
and enhance the
development of the
"whole child"*; from
birth through grade eight
through quality
comprehensive experiences,
while supporting and
enriching the whole family.*

*The phrase whole child
refers to all facets of the
child's being including
cognitive/intellectual,
physical, socio-emotional,
cultural and creative
aspects*

UPDATES FROM THE ADMINISTRATION TEAM..

Thank you to the elementary students and all those who donated to the Humane Society through the Student Council and also to all those who donated their change to help Haiti!!!

Much gratitude to **Joy Devins** and **Andrea Hebert** on their continued support! Many thanks to the **Lorden** and **Wentz** families on their donations.

Many thanks to our SWEEP parents for their time and energies in support of our programs!!

Congratulations to the **Novoy** family on the birth of their baby girl and to the **Parker** family on the birth of their baby boy!!

Congratulations to the Grade 4 students, Mrs. Kirk and Mrs. Dias for a fantastic Invention Convention...and to **Mrs. Camitta's** class along with **Mrs. Collins** on a great character education program!

Welcome to **Erin McLaughlin** who is kitchen support and Preschool 3's assistant in Ms. Danielle and Leka's room, to **Alyssa Morganelli** who is joining us as an afternoon assistant in Ms. Webber's class and **Erika Brown** who joins us as an afternoon assistant in the Older Infant rooms!!! We warmly embrace your talents!!!

Congratulations to **Cindy** who received a 96 on her Health Dept. inspection! Way to go!!! Also, a big thank you the Safety Committee, **Jen Tully**, **Kim Rusko**, **Laurie August** and **Marianne Kostel**, on their wonderful mid-year evaluation. Way to keep our environment safe, ladies!!!

Our next Development Committee meeting will be held on March 18th at 6:00pm at the school. We look forward to seeing everyone there!!! We value your input and support of our program!!!

WE'VE GOT CHARACTER...

Congratulations to the following students who were honored at our February Character Education Program for the trait of Responsibility:

Luke Wang, Emily Xu, Leslie Buchin, Taite Panton, Ashie Chebiyam, Nina Mahalingham, Madison Sherer, Ishika Chourasia, Gabrielle Infante, Shreya Nagri, Jasmin Sabah, Jacob Magni, Ihsan Hamiroune, Kaitlyn Rice, Amina Atef, Liza Bull and Kevin Chen.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT



Congratulations to the following individuals who are being recognized as Exemplary Employees on March 9th at 7:30am @ The Crowne Plaza...**Laurie Collins, Chris Skianes, Sherri St. Lawrence, Bianca Viera Martinez, Carolyn Ayala, Cindy Campbell, Amanda Correia and Staci Sliz!!!** Kudos to all!

The following **staff** have attended the "Transitions in the Classroom" workshop – **Caitlin B., Tracy C., Holly D., Amanda H., Marianne K., Lisa LP., Jordan M., Alison O., Danielle R., Staci S., Jessica S., Amy C., Christine F., Jen T., and Erin S.** Nice Job!!

The World Schools will be hosting Professional Day on March 13th from 8:00am-12:00pm. We looking forward to the many wonderful learning opportunities that this annual event provides!!!

Congratulations to **Jen Tully** and **Pam Morganelli** who will be presenting workshops at our Professional Day!!

NEW!!!! SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR GRADES 4-7

This year The World Schools will offer a NEW Academic Scholarship Program for new students entering Gr. 4-7. Scholarships will be awarded based on academic achievement, character and involvement in the community. For more information contact Stacey Jackson at sjackson@theworldschools.com.

COMING SOON: THE WORLD SCHOOLS 3rd ANNUAL SILENT AUCTION

The World Schools' 3rd Annual Silent Auction kicks off Sunday, April 11th during Open House!!! We are currently seeking auction items and sponsors for our ONLY fundraiser of the year. Please see Stacey Jackson or email her at sjackson@theworldschools.com to get involved!!! Proceeds will procure much needed defibrillators & fund our new academic scholarships for Grades 4-7.

SAVE THE DATE...

**OPEN HOUSE – APRIL 11th
2:00-4:00pm**

World Elementary News

Lower Elementary - Kindergarten, Gr. 1, Gr. 2, and Gr. 3 ...



All **kindergarteners** will be celebrating Dr. Suess Day on March 2nd with Dr. Suess stories, activities, and projects (Read Across America Day). On March 17th, a special 'Green Day' celebration is planned with lots of surprises and a visit from the leprechaun. Ms. Webber and Mrs. Seguin's classes will be heading to Parker's Maple Sugar Barn on March 9th to culminate their unit on Maple Sugaring. Mrs. Tully's class will be learning about weather and rainbows and having a pancake breakfast on March 12th. Also this month, all three classes will begin working on their individual Open House themes. Ms. Webber's class will focus on "Wake us in the Spring"...animals that hibernate. Mrs. Seguin's class will learn all about the Rain Forest and Mrs. Tully's class will learn all about the farm.

First graders will be heading on an Australian Adventure, learning about the geography, history and culture of Australia, discovering volcanoes and even learning the hula dance.

In March the **second graders** are off on their excursion to Egypt! They will be making apple head mummies, life size mummies and taking on the role of an archaeologist! They are also watching out for Liam the Leprechaun on Green Day! Just what kind of mischief will he cause??

Third Graders will begin their study of New Hampshire as they prepare for Open House. Mrs. Camitta's class is also very excited to be partnering with Mrs. Kirk's fourth grade for an upcoming field trip to Beaver Brook, to learn about Maple Sugaring.

Upper Elementary – Gr.4, Gr.5, and Gr.6 ...

The **fourth graders** will be participating in the Great American Mail Race. Each student in the class will write three or four friendly letters so that we can mail them to one fourth grade class in each state. We will ask the class to answer a survey about their school and state. Many schools participate in the race, and it is such an exciting way to learn about our country. We hope to hear from all fifty states!

Grade four students will be participating in the Granite State FitKids program every Monday from 1:45 to 2:30 pm for seven weeks. FitKids will begin on Monday, March 1st. This program was created in 1997 by Charles "Dr. Chuck" Cappetta, MD, to educate fourth graders in an age-appropriate way about their bodies. This program connects nicely to our curriculum. Our facilitator is going to be Shelley Brennan.

In **5th** grade science, students will wrap up their study of the Earth and It's Resources while covering the topics of "Earth's Atmosphere", "Earth's Water Supply", and "Energy Resources". They will then explore a new Unit entitled Ecosystems Around the World. In this unit they will be conducting the labs named Investigating How Populations Interact and Food Chain.

In **6th** grade science, students have finished their study of Astronomy and are now focusing their efforts on the unit "Forces." In this unit they will be studying the topics of "How Far? How Fast?" along with "Forces and Newton's First Law". They will be conducting the labs titled Investigating Why Moving Objects Stop and Investigating Inertia.

INVENTION CONVENTION



The fourth graders did a fabulous job creating and marketing their inventions. Congratulations to all of our inventors! **Xahn Frater** received the Environmental Award for his invention of the 'Recycle Space Saver' and **Oliver Simon** received the Kids Choice Award for his invention 'The iNag'. First place went to **Katilyn Rice** for her invention the 'Cozy Kitty', second place went to **Abby Yuan** for her invention the 'Storm of Warm', and third place went to **Emily Gaudreau** for her invention of the 'Anti-Cat Cover'.

Best of luck to the winners – who will represent the school at the Fidelity Investments 2010 Young Inventors' Program Annual Celebration at Merrimack Valley High School in Penacook, New Hampshire. A special thank you to **Tim Camitta** and **Sherrie Juris** for lending their knowledge and expertise and volunteering their time to judge our Convention.

Specialists Speak...

Ms. Guidoboni is excitedly preparing for Open House. She and her students will be studying various artists and their techniques.



Ms. Naomi rejoices about all the songs and signs "The Future Signers of America" have learned!! During the month of March the focus will be on the alphabet, clothing, feelings and the calendar. Let's look forward to these new signs!



Madame Doxey's Class News...



MERCI BIEN to all those parents, friends, staff and children who lined the parade route for the students in our annual Mardi Gras celebration.

It is hard to believe that Mardi Gras has come and gone. This was our 15th Mardi Gras celebration and it was quite a show. Many say it was the **best ever!** Merci bien to all the students, teachers and parents who helped make this year's celebration **fantastique!** All the children would like also to thank **Miss Cindy** and **Miss Amy** for the mini muffin treats; **Ms. Guidoboni** for helping them make the colorful masks; **Ms. Jessica Parker** for designing the hall decorations; **Deb Jolicoeur, Eileen Carlton** and **Julie King** for helping with decorations and **Miss Kathy, Miss Lynn and the admin staff** for the great sweets.

This year the following students found the bean: from the kindergarten classes - **Kavi Francis, Madison Nicolosi, Michael Rzasa, and Anjali Tummala**; from 1st grade - **Hannah Gilbertson**; from 2nd grade - **Hayden Moses**; from 3rd grade - **Madeline King and Jameson Kane**; from 4th grade - **Natalie Dionne**; from 5th grade - **Leah Robley** and from 6th grade - **Amber Carroll**. They all looked so regal in their crowns. Please let us know if you have any new ideas for next year's celebration, as it is never too early to start preparations. FYI: Mardi Gras, 2011 is **Tuesday, March 8th**... Laissez les bons temps rouler!

Important dates for French students in grades 3-6:

Grade 3 – La Tour Eiffel Project is due on **Monday March 22**

Grades 4-6 Your French projects are due on Monday, April 5 (gr. 4) and Tuesday, April 6 (grades 5+6)

All these projects will be on display during our Annual Open House in April. Please stop by and see them!

ANIMAL DAY for the **KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS** is scheduled for the last week in March – more information will be sent home.

DAFFODIL DAY S – UPDATED INFO Due to our snow day and the Mardi Gras celebration the Daffodil day fund raiser for the American Cancer Association will be from Friday, March 26th through Wed. March 3rd. If you are interested in purchasing your daffodils, see Mme Doxey or fill out a form no later than 3:30 on Wed., March 3rd. Many thanks.

WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

The Week of the Young Child is a national celebration sponsored by the National Association for the Education of Young Children. The purpose of the week is to focus public attention on the needs of young children and their families and to recognize the early childhood programs and services that meet those needs.

The World Schools will celebrate this week by kicking it off on April 11th with our Annual Open House from 2-4pm. The Silent Auction and the Basket Raffle also begin at the Open House event. We look forward to seeing you there!!! Monday, the 12th, is "Literacy Day" and we will be visited by guest readers, participate in "Drop Everything and Read" and share information about 'literacy and children'. Tuesday, the 13th, is "Child Health Day". The children will learn about the benefits of eating well and exercising and participate in a walk to promote physical activity!! The Ident-I-Kids program will be here to provide an identification service for interested individuals. Wednesday, the 14th, is Family Day and from 5:30-7:00pm we will host a "Family Picnic" in the Great Room (outside if weather permitting). Families are invited to bring a picnic dinner or can order a pizza, which will be delivered here (more details soon), and participate in face painting, an obstacle course and an ice cream sundae station. Join us for a fun evening!!! Thursday, the 15th, is "School Pride Day". We will hang testimonials from families about "Why They Chose The World Schools", treat parents to muffins and coffee at drop off and we will also ask parents to wear a "Proud Parent" sticker this day. The children will show their school pride during pep rallies with Mrs. Collins. Let the dancing begin!!!! On Friday, the 16th, we will finish out the week with "Teacher Appreciation Day". We will hang testimonials from parents about our wonderful teams, provide paraffin wax hand treatments for staff, a few surprises throughout the day. a box luncheon will be provided by our wonderful PTO. The Silent Auction will close at 6:00pm on the 16th and winners will be notified via email. The Basket Raffle will also end at 6:00pm and winners will be notified, on Saturday, by phone.



News from The Country Day School

Nursery News...



The **Infant team** would like to welcome Sallie to the classroom!! **Older Infant 1** group is looking forward to a wonderful Eric Carle filled month preparing for Open House. Many thanks to the **Nagpal and Namduri families** for helping us to plan a wonderful Holi celebration!! Happy 2nd birthday to **Connor** on the 13th and **Joseph** on the 17th!!! **Older Infant 2** wishes a happy birthday to **Ronak, Jameson, Abhinav and Noah**. Congratulations to the **Novey family** who welcomed a new baby girl into their family!! The **Young Toddlers** will be celebrating St. Patrick's Day with 'the wearing of the green' on the 17th. Scholastic Book orders are due on the 12th!! They would like to welcome **Medha** to the classroom!! The **Older Toddlers** would like to thank **all** for a wonderful friendship party!! Happy Birthday to **Jack** on the 20th and **Nicholas** on the 24th!!

PreSchool 3's Report...



Miss Danielle and Leka's Pre 3's welcome you to the month of March! We'll be learning about emotions during the first week. The rest of the month might be a little buggy, since we'll be working on our Open House theme!! Any guesses what we'll be doing?! If you guessed bugs you are correct!! We'll be exploring worms, spiders, ladybugs, flies, caterpillars, butterflies, etc!!! We're looking forward to learning about all these insects. Have a wonderful month!!! **Miss Marianne and Miss Caitlin's Pre 3's** have many exciting activities planned for the month of March as we prepare for our annual Open House on Sunday, April 11th. We want to thank everyone for attending our Valentine Tea! The children did a great job and were happy to sing for you!! Thanks to **Elaine Desrochers, Nicole Parker, Lauren Whitton, Linda Peters and Donna Nicolosi** for bringing in special treats! Many thanks to **Mary Parker** for face painting!! The children loved this. A special thank you to **Roy Parker** for coming in to read stories and **Donna Nicolosi** for decorating Valentine cookies with the children. **Miss Lisa, Miss Jeanne and Miss Hannah's Pre 3's** want to thank all who were able to attend our Valentine Tea! The children worked hard on their performance with Mrs. Collins!! This month we'll be very busy getting ready for our upcoming Open House in April. The children will be creating lots of surprises for you to see...so clear your calendars!! Also, happy birthday to **Audrey, Drew, Mady, Steven, Noah, Vinh and Adam** who will be turning 4 this month!!

Preschool 4's Flyer ...



Miss Tracy and Jacki Pre 4's are getting ready for Open House. During the next month we will be traveling to many different places in our imagination. As we travel around the world we will be learning about different cultures, landmarks, people, food and animals. We are looking forward to wearing green for St. Patrick's Day! Thank you to **everyone** who helped make our Friendship party special! Also, thank you for the donations of empty food containers for our drama center. We would like to wish a warm welcome to **Amogh** who has recently joined our class. We want to wish a Happy Birthday to **Camden, Lily, Kieran and Owen** this month. **Miss Holly and Jordan's Pre 4's Fantastic Frogs** are looking forward to their new March themes including Dr. Suess, Community Helpers, construction and baby animals! Welcome to our new friend, **Kunal**. We are so excited you joined our class!! Thank you for the donations to our Valentine exchange party and wishing pond. We appreciate your generosity!!! We loved having **Jessica's mom** come and teach us about Chinese New Years and **Ms. Jennifer, the dental hygienist**, who visited to teach us more about our teeth. **Miss Jessica and Miss Jess's SWEEP 3's and 4's** are excitedly working on their Open House theme. A huge thank you to all our **Three Year Olds' families** who attended the Valentine Teas!! It was great fun!!! This month's focus will be on health and nutrition. They will be having a dental hygienist visit who will discuss the importance of a healthy smile. **Miss Kim, Miss Darcy and Miss Chris' Pre 4's** had a fun February learning about outer space. To culminate our theme we will be heading to the Christa McAuliffe Planetarium on March 2nd. What a great way to engage in hands-on activities! Thanks to all our parents for chaperoning! Also in March it will be time for us to get ready for our Open House with our 'I Spy' theme. We will be learning about the lives of the animals in our room (hamster, fish, hermit crabs), as well as, hatching our own eggs into chicks!! Lots of excitement and wonder!! Happy birthday to **Pasha, Nicholas, and Ben**, as you all turn 5!

BKC Announcements..



Welcome back from February Vacation! We are into March. Will it come in like a lion and go out like a lamb? We will find out!

March 17, 2010 is Elementary Early Release Day. Wear green for St. Patrick's Day!! We will have a green edible creation for that day. Look for the sign up sheet in the Great Room on Monday, March 15th. Karate on Wednesdays and Drama Kids on Thursdays continue throughout this month!!!

Think spring!! It's coming officially on Saturday, March 20, 2010.