

Gardner's Good News

Week #11

October 27, 2009

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

- **Thursday , October 29th at 6:00 p. m. Fourth Grade Choir Concert in Gardner's Cafeteria**
- **Friday, October 30th at 7:00 p. m. TROJANS play Camden Fairview away**
- **Tuesday, November 3rd: MATH Assessment for 4th graders**
- **TROJAN FOOTBALL GAME: Friday, November 6th at 7:00 p. m. We will play Lakeside School District**
- **Monday, November 9th: Fall Picture RE-TAKES**
- **Wednesday, November 11th: MATH Assessment for 3rd graders**
- **Thursday, November 12th at 6:00 p. m. Third Grade Choir Concert in Gardner's Cafeteria**

RED RIBBON EVENTS THIS WEEK

Wednesday is "WEAR AS MUCH RED AS YOU CAN and WEAR YOUR FAVORITE BALL CAP" as we Put A Cap on Drugs!

Also, Officer Watkins for the Arkansas State Police will present a drug prevention program today for all kindergarteners, first and second graders at Grader!

On Thursday, "WEAR SUNGLASSES and SPARKLES" as a Star that says "No" to drugs.

Third and fourth graders will see Officer Watkins today for drug prevention

programs.

Friday is HERO or CHARACTER DAY." Students can dress as a favorite character or hero, but costumes must be non-violent, have no face masks, and present a POSITIVE attitude.



CHARACTER CORNER... Teach INDEPENDENCE.

Teach your youngster a new skill, like how to fix his/her own lunch or lay out his/her clothes for school the next day. He/she will gain a sense of accomplishment when he/she doesn't have to ask you for help.

Thank You, Parents!

Thank you for taking time to come to Gardner last evening and conferencing with your child and his/her teacher. Our turn-out was great.

If you weren't able to come last night, you can still speak with your child's teacher and pick up his/her report card. Call Ms. Betty or Ms. Nancy



in the office at 620-7822 and ask for an appointment.

Here are the times teachers can meet with you during the school day:

- Kindergarten teachers at 1:15 p. m.
- First Grade teachers at 12:30 p. m.
- Second Grade teachers

at 9:00 a. m.

- Third Grade teachers at 9:45 a. m.
- Fourth Grade teachers at 10:30 a. m.

Thanks again for being great partners in your child's academic career. Remember, we are on the road to graduation!

**ESTIMATION
STATION
WINNERS...
Week #10**

The Estimation Station was set up last week for 4th grade with 192 candy pumpkins in the benchmark jar.

1st Place:
ISAAC TRIPLETT

2nd Place:
SKYLEN LOY and
LEXIE REID

3rd Place:
CHANCE PITTMAN

Honorable Mention:
MIREYA AGUILERA

This week's estimation station will be for 3rd graders to estimate the number of candy pumpkins. Good Luck!



WHY WE CELEBRATE RED RIBBON...

Red Ribbon Week is the nation's oldest and largest drug prevention program reaching millions of Americans during the last week of October every year. By wearing red ribbons and participating in community anti-drug events, young people pledge to live a drug-free life and pay tribute to DEA Special Agent Enrique "Kiki" Camerena.

Special Agent Camerena was an 11-year veteran of the DEA assigned to the Guadalajara, Mexico office where he was on the trail of the country's biggest marijuana and cocaine traffickers. In 1985, he was extremely close to unlocking a multi-million dollar drug pipeline.

On February 7, 1985, he was kidnapped, brutally tortured, and murdered by Mexican drug traffickers. His tragic death opened the eyes of many Americans to the dangers of drugs and the international scope of the drug trade.

"Camerena Clubs" were launched in Kiki's hometown to reach kids to pledge to lead drug-free lives to honor Kiki's sacrifice.

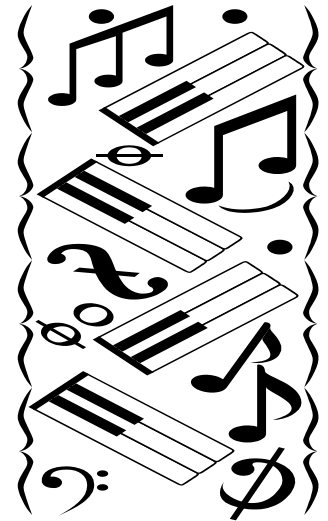
Gardner Students To University of Central Arkansas

Fourth graders Tyler Barrett, Dakota Blackburn, Caleb Holstine, and Joshua Martin will be traveling to the University of Central Arkansas at Conway to participate in the annual Elementary Music Festival.

The Festival is sponsored by the Arkansas Music Educators Association each year in the fall.

Gardner's four students have been learning and practicing six very difficult musical pieces and will perform as members of a mass choir of 4th, 5th, and 6th graders from all over the great state of Arkansas on Friday, November 6th.

Good luck to you all!



Think Smart! Choose Courage!

In honor of our celebration of RED RIBBON WEEK, we've found some great parent tips .

1. Set a good example for your children because they do what you do.
2. Teach your children that alcohol is NOT legal until age 21.

3. Explain to your children that drinking alcohol before 21 is not a "rite of passage."
4. Remember the human brain does not stop developing until the mid-twenties. Alcohol can disrupt this development.

For more tips and

resources for parents, visit www.think.madd.org

Remember, never drink and drive!



**Character Trait
of-the-Month:**

Self-Control

Don't forget to send your examples to Mr. Miller for the newscast.