

GARDNER'S GOOD NEWS

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GARDNER MAGNET SCHOOL

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IMPORTANT DATES:

Second Grade READING ASSESSMENT	18th
Second Grade WRITING ASSESSMENT	19th
Fourth Grade MATH ASSESSMENT	24th
No School	25th
No School	26th
No School	27th
Back To School	30th

Helping Your Child Learn

Parents are teachers, too! You play a key role in your child's school success.

LEARNING STARTS AT HOME. It's a fact—when parents play learning games with their children, their children generally do better in school. Doing better in school helps children build self-esteem and grow up feeling hopeful about the future.

THERE'S A LOT YOU CAN TEACH YOUR



CHILD. Schools value parents as partners in educating children. You

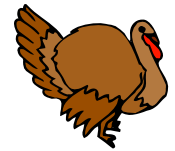
don't need special training, much money, or lots of time. Don't think teaching your child as work. Think of it as playing and exploring—because that's what it is.

Stop by Gardner's Parent Center (Room #6) and see the brochures, books, magazines, and pamphlets with parenting tips like the ones in their article.

Thanks,
Mrs. Ross
Facilitator

DID YOU KNOW...

The first Thanksgiving took place in Plymouth Colony, in present-day Massachusetts, in 1621. More than 200 years later, President Abraham Lincoln declared the final Thursday in November as a national day of thanksgiving. Congress finally made Thanksgiving Day an official national holiday in 1941.



Thanksgiving facts in this newsletter were found at: www.history.com/content/thanksgiving-facts



The Mission of the Hot Springs School District is to assure that all students have the essential skills to compete in a global society, value and respect diversity and possess the ethical standards of integrity.

The first Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade took place in New York City in 1924. It was launched by Macy's employees and featured animals from the Central Park Zoo. Today, some 3 million people attend the annual parade and another 44 million watch it on television.

NOW YOU KNOW!

Estimation Station Winners!

Fourth graders were challenged to estimate the number of blue beads. There were 735 in all.

FIRST PLACE with 710 was H A I L E Y BURROUGHS!

SECOND PLACE with 700 were EMMA NELSON, TERRANCE NESBITT, and BRIDGETT LEDBETTER.

THIRD PLACE with 688 was DILLAN WILLET!

This week's Estimation Station will be for Gardner's own THIRD GRADERS. GOOD LUCK!

Make 'n Take Parent Night!

Gardner would like to invite all parents to attend our "Make 'n Take" Parent night! We will offer two special nights, one for parents and students in grades Kindergarten thru 2nd and another for parents and students in grades 3rd and 4th. **The Make 'n Take workshops will be held on Thursday nights from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the Parent Center of Gardner Magnet School (Dec. 3 or Dec. 10).** Parents attending this 2 hour workshop will receive free resources, materials and directions on how to help their child become a better reader and writer! Parents are encouraged to bring their student - other siblings will be provided with childcare. Snacks and all supplies will be provided at no charge. Please mark your calendar and plan on attending this workshop with your child. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to spend time with your child and learn what you can do at home to help him or her be successful at school!

Workshop participation is by reservation only! Please mark the form below and return to your child's teacher as soon as possible.

Yes! I will attend the Parent Night Make 'n Take Workshop:

_____ K-2 Make 'n Take Workshop: **Thursday, Dec. 3, 2009** OR

_____ 3-4 Make 'n Take Workshop: **Thursday, Dec. 10, 2009**

Child's Name: _____ Teacher: _____

Parent's Name: _____ Current Phone: _____

Current Address: _____

_____ Yes, I will require childcare for additional children.

_____ I have students in both age groups and will attend **both** workshops.

Note: Supplies and books will be ordered according to attendance forms returned. Please make Sure that you have returned this attendance form so that materials can be purchased for you and your child.

¡Noches para los Padres!

¡La Escuela Gardner quisiera invitar a todos los padres a asistir nuestra Noche para los Padres. Ofreceremos dos noches especiales, uno para padres y estudiantes de grados del Kindergarten al 2 y otro para padres y estudiantes de los grados 3 y 4. Esto tendrá lugar los jueves por la noche de 6:00-8:00 de la tarde en el Centro de Padres de la

Escuela Gardner (el 3 de diciembre o el 10 diciembre, 10). ¡Los padres que asisten dos horas recibirán recursos gratuitos, las materias y instrucciones de como ayudar a su niño a llegar a leer y escribir mejor. Los padres son animados a traer su hijo(a) - otros hermanos serán proporcionados con cuidado de niños. Los bocados y todos las materiales serán proporcionados ningún precio. Por favor marque su calendario y planifique a asistir con su niño. ¡No pierda esta oportunidad maravillosa para pasar tiempo con su niño y aprender lo que usted puede hacer para ayudarlo en casa o tener éxito en la escuela!

Esto es solamente disponible por reservación. Por favor llene el formulario de abajo y regrese a la maestra lo mas pronto posible.

¡Si! Yo asistiré a la Noche para los Padres.

_____ Kindergarten -2 Jueves, 3 de diciembre, 2009

_____ 3-4 Jueves, 10 de diciembre, 2009

Nombre del estudiante: _____ Maestra: _____

Nombre del Padre: _____ Teléfono: _____

Dirección actual: _____

_____ Si, necesito cuidado para los otros niños que irán conmigo.

_____ Tengo hijos en los dos grupos de grados.

Note: Los materiales y libros seran pedidos segun el numero de formularios de Asistencias regresados. Por favor asegurese que ha llendado y su hijo.