



RODGERS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

January - 2012

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

Our Mission: We Grow Responsible Learners
Rodgers Expectations: Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Safe

Happy New Year!

I would like to wish all of you and your families a wonderful 2012. There are many things to look forward to, including warmer weather. It is my sincere hope that we continue to improve as a community with student growth and achievement being the primary goal of the Rodgers Staff. We will work together to make sure we are reaching the needs of our students. Please continue to support your children at home by checking their folders and homework, as well as encouraging them to read on a regular basis. Thanks for all of your support.

Upcoming Events

Please check out your teacher's newsletters and the Rodgers Calendar online for more information.

- Jan 10- Market Day
- Jan 11- Early Release/Skating Party 6 pm at Great Skate
- Jan 13- Mrs. Wood's Spirit Day
- Jan 16- No School
- Jan 18- 4th/5th Grade Banking Day/ Bagel Sale
- Jan 19- PTC Meeting in Media Center at 7:00pm
- Jan 20- Mrs. Filie's Spirit Day
- Jan 23- School Board Meeting at 7:30pm
- Jan 25- Early Release
- Jan 27- 5th grade Spelling Bee/ Barnett Spirit Day
- Jan 31- Citizen of Month Lunch
- Feb 1- Bagel Sale

Kindergarten Registration

It's hard to believe but kindergarten registration has begun again! If you have a kindergarten age student or know of a neighbor who has a kindergarten age child; please let them know that we will be accepting registrations starting Wednesday, January 4th, 2012 from 8:00am to 4:00 PM. Registration packets are available in the front office.

Parent Corner

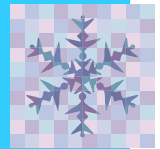
Positive Behavior Support

Rodgers students continue to work hard on being safe, responsible and respectful. We encourage it in the hallways, lunchroom, classrooms and even at home!! Please continue to go over the expectations on the matrix that was sent home to you in October. If you don't have a copy, it can be found on the website. Each month we celebrate with an appropriate reward. This month the students who earned the reward participated in Minute to Win It. There were lots of laughs, and plenty of competition and fun.

Parent Teacher Club

The Holiday Shop was a success!! The PTC is constantly looking for ways to improve the shopping experience for your children. This year they took many of your ideas and were able to provide better products and a larger variety. This month there will be a Chuck and Dave's fundraiser with delivery being before the Super Bowl so you can serve quality dips and chips to your guests. The next meeting is scheduled for January 19 at 7:00pm.

Cold Weather/ Rainy Day Procedures



We will let students into the building at 8:00am on days that it is raining or below 20°F. Indoor recess is also provided on days such as these. Please send your child to school with the appropriate clothing so they can be comfortable.

Home Links

Many parents ask, what can I do at home to help my child succeed in school? Here is a new list of websites you can check out with your child at home. Enjoy.

funschool.kaboose.com

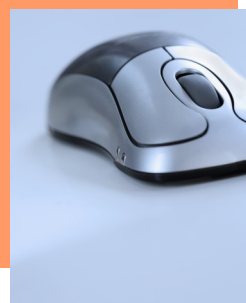
www.scholastic.com/games

www.kids.gov

www.starfall.com

<http://www.kidztimez.com>

Want to practice handwriting or cursive? Check out **handwritingworksheets.com** to create your own worksheets at home.



What's New??

5th Grade Spelling Bee

The entire class of 5th graders competed for the 30 top spots that get them qualified for the school spelling bee on Friday, January 27th. They studied hard and should be very proud! The winner of the school bee goes on to the Macomb County bee in March. Here are the 30 students who will be competing in the school bee: **Elizabeth Stacheit, Danny Fell, Mackenzi Steinmetz, Grace Ladouceur, Hannah Udell, Zachary Teller, Ashley Schneider, Brendan Oyler, Anthony Marsiglio, Kaitlynn Socia, Alexis Avouris, Lexiee Bigford, Ariel Bohlen, Matthew Janowiak, Ava Lawson, Max Leszczynski, Dorothy Paulson, Devin Peltier, Trevor Werthmann, Jarod Yuhasz, Jacob Cichon, Vanden Dombrowski, Cecelia DuPont, Christian Gaiera, Joel King, Julia MarQuardt, Allison Pirog, Zachary Quilliam, Fiona Smigiel, and Brooklyn Wendorf.** We wish them well and congratulate them on their spelling successes!



Mrs. Kraus

Every Day P. E.

Our school is committed to a safe, responsible and respectful environment where students can grow and be successful. Part of this commitment is to provide strategies that promote healthy habits. Our P. E. teacher, Mr. Baalaer, sent home a P. E. Every Day calendar that encourages your children to stay active on a regular basis. Please support your child by reading over the calendar with them and providing a time and place for them to complete the activities on the calendar. Your support will be an invaluable asset to your child's long term health. Students turning in their calendars will be recognized.



Community Corner

Thank You!!

The wonderful families at Rodgers donated food, hats, gloves, games, toys and \$\$ for our local families in need. This holiday season was brighter for several people in our area because of your generosity. Our community thanks you for the donations you sent in. We will continue to do community service activities as a school and will let you know if and when your support is needed. Thanks again for your care, support and kindness.



Rodgers Collects:



We collect the following items to support our school activities:

- Box Tops for Education
- Capri Sun or other juice pouches (without straws)
- Empty, clean chip bags
- Campbell's soup labels



Drop Off/ Pick Up

The most important part of my job is to make sure your children are safe. In order to do that we have put some procedures in place for dropping off and picking up your children.

Here are a few tips that might help all of us:

1. Please treat busses like ambulances. They contain our precious children and need to be treated kindly. Please stay out of their way and yield to them if necessary.
2. Leave 2-3 minutes earlier and the line for drop off will not be nearly as long
3. Park in the Harper Lot in the morning and walk your child up to the building, there are several spots available.

Be patient, we are doing the best we can:)

**** ATTENDANCE ****

Attendance is verified in the office. If your child will not be in school due to an illness, doctor appointment or you are going on vacation, please advise the main office of your student's absence as well as the teacher. Many times students are away and the main office does not know about the absence. This will help us make sure that students are safe and accounted for. We will call if you have not called in. **Please remember that a doctor's note is the only thing that will excuse an absence.**

Please make sure your child is on time for school. Remember that school begins at 8:15 am. When students reach 10 tardies or absences a report is automatically sent to the MISD Attendance Office. The school does not handle court cases related to absences or tardies. The Macomb County Court system is in charge of this.

ATTENDANCE LINE: 586-285-8602

Available 24/7

CITIZENS OF THE MONTH

December 2011

KINDERGARTEN

Mrs. Pillars – Trent Kaplan, Madeline Longson

Mrs. Reed – Maddisyn Burnette, Nicholas Kozierowski

Ms. VanNess – Grace Gebauer, Donald Kelman

Mrs. Wood – Owen Fromius, Sara Roberts

FIRST GRADE

Ms. Lathrop – Brady DesMadryl, Peyton Peiffer

Ms. Quinlan – Isabella Keith, Franklin Washburn

Mrs. Semack – Gabriel Fountain, Melia Paras

Ms. Wilson – Santina Grillo, Aidan Hosking

SECOND GRADE

Mrs. Leszczynski – James Asaro, Jack Geml

Ms. Ryan – Raymond Boyles, Sydney Wilson

Mrs. Zelenock – Sam Leszczynski, Grace Wolf

THIRD GRADE

Mrs. Barnett – Logan Abriel, Jorja Coleman

Mrs. Dzurisin – Ty Miller, Madelyn Windemuth

Mrs. Nicholl – Kenneth Bauman, Felicity Slamka

FOURTH GRADE

Mr. Heier – Steven Foltan, Alessia Ipeku

Mrs. McGuire – Victoria Lawrence, Aileen Scalzo

Mrs. Rancilio – Joseph DeHosse, Dana Eckert

FIFTH GRADE

Mrs. DiCosmo/Kraus – Abigail DeGeer, Jarod Yuhasz

Mrs. Filie – Daniel Fell, Ashley Schneider

Mr. Gillich – Jacob Cichon, Kristina Roberts

ECSE PROGRAM

Ms. Keeble AM – Bethany Harms

Mr. Quinlan AM – Noah Baker

Mr. Quinlan PM - Christian Batson

CI – LOWER & UPPER

Mrs. Franckowiak – Gabriel Yadon

Mrs. Farris – LeRoy Hannah

AUTISTIC PROGRAM

Mrs. Dina - Aaron Polk

Mrs. Holmes – Bobby Balomenos