

Carver Elementary School



Newsletter

"The greatest gifts you can give your children are the roots of responsibility and the wings of independence."
Dennis Waitley

October, 2010

Dear Families,

It was wonderful to see so many of you at our annual Open House on Thursday, September 23rd! We hope you were able to learn about our curriculum and the expectations for your child. Thank you for making the effort to be here to learn about your child's school experience and become involved with our school. For your planning purposes, our parent/teacher conferences will be held on **Thursday, October 21st**. Please look for more information coming home closer to that date. Congratulations to the winners of the contest for the most adult family members attending the Open House, which were Mrs. Kelley's second grade and Mrs. Gesualdo's fourth grade.

MARC Parent Program: The Massachusetts Aggression Reduction Center from Bridgewater State University will be presenting a program to the parents of students in kindergarten through 12th grade on Thursday, October 7th in the Carver Middle High School Auditorium at 7:00 p.m. This program will focus on bullying prevention and intervention. Child care for school-aged children will be available.

PTO: Many thanks to the PTO for funding the "Sweet Treat" party for the 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders who participated in the reading initiative during the summer vacation. Students in grades 1 and 2 will be rewarded for their summer reading later in the month. We appreciate that you have encouraged your child to read during the summer months. It's important to keep them reading so that their newly acquired skills will be used and that they know that reading will bring them enjoyment for their entire lives.

School Council: The first Council meeting of the year will be Monday, October 18 at 3:00 pm in the Primary building conference room. Thank you to the following parents who have volunteered to continue to serve on the Primary School Council: Leanne Allegrini, Marie Blotner, Steve Fenton, and Paula Kibbe. School Council meetings are open meetings which mean **all are welcome**. They are held the second Monday of each month at 3:00 pm., except for October due to the Columbus Day holiday.

Volunteer Orientation: There will be a Volunteer Orientation on Tuesday, October 6 at 9:30 in the Primary building cafeteria. Everyone who volunteers at the school needs to complete a volunteer application, and a CORI (Criminal Offender Record Information). **NEW VOLUNTEERS NEED TO ATTEND THE VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION** prior to volunteering in the classroom. (**Please note: Anyone who chaperones a field trip needs to complete a CORI form and be approved prior to the field trip.**)

Important reminder: We have noticed that many people who drop off their children at school are talking on their cell phones. Please remember that there is a great deal of traffic around the school buildings during this time and talking on a cell phone can be distracting. We want everyone to be safe. We respectfully ask that you refrain from talking on your cell phone while picking up and/or dropping off your child. Thank you very much for your prompt attention to this serious matter.

We also have attached **Report to Parents, Having Successful Parent-Teacher Conferences**. This informative report gives good suggestions about how to meet and discuss your child's progress with the teacher.

These beautiful fall days need to be enjoyed by all. Take the time to walk through the autumn leaves with your child and listen to the crunch under your feet. Rake the leaves with your child and delight in jumping in a huge pile together. Giggle, be silly and make memories with your child to be cherished throughout a lifetime. Remember that children grow up so quickly, you need to appreciate these years.

Sincerely,

Candace E. Weiler
Principal

Ruby Maestas
Associate Principal

Paula Foley
Associate Principal

Please save the dates below for MCAS testing for the 2010-2011 school year for students in Grades 3, 4 & 5.

Reading/English Language Arts – Grades 3 - 5

March 22 through April 4, 2011

Long Composition – Grade 4

March 22, 2011

Math – Grades 3 – 5

May 10 through May 24, 2011

Science & Technology – Grade 5

May 11 through May 24, 2011

WANTED: Substitute nurses. If you are a nurse and would like to substitute at the school, please call the front building office at (508) 866-6220 or the back building at (508) 866-6210 to let us know. Thank you!

Kindergarten Parents: Please remember to put an extra set of clothes in your child's backpack.

Calendar of Events...October, 2010

Friday, October 1, 2010	Bullying Program for Students
Monday, October 4, 2010	Building Committee Meeting, 4:30 pm
Thursday, October 7, 2010	Bullying Program for Parents, 7 PM, CMHS Auditorium
Friday, October 8, 2010	Teacher Professional Day – No School for Students
Monday, October 11, 2010	Columbus Day – No School
Thursday, October 14, 2010	PTO Meeting, 7:00 pm, IMC
Monday, October 18, 2010	School Council, 3 PM
Monday, October 18, 2010	Building Committee Meeting, 4:30 pm
Monday, October 18, 2010	Carver School Committee Meeting, 7 PM
Thursday, October 21, 2010	Early Release Day, 11:45 AM dismissal
	Parent/Teacher Conferences (by appointment)

Lunch Menu

Monday 10/4/10	Cinnamon French toast with syrup Crispy Bacon Yogurt cup Apple juice cup	Veggie Boat Carrot sticks, celery sticks, cucumber slices With a cheddar cheese wedge & ranch dip Wheat pita bread Apple
Tuesday 10/5/10	Baked chicken nuggets w/dipping sauces Seasoned rice Mixed vegetables Cinnamon & sugar apple slices	Chicken teriyaki salad Wheat pita bread Cinnamon & sugar apple slices
Wednesday 10/6/10	Beef tacos (hard shell) Lettuce & cheddar cheese Baked potato puffs Carrot sticks with dip Apple slices w/cinnamon sugar	Sliced turkey on a wheat bun Carrot sticks with dip Tiny twist pretzels Apple slices with cinnamon sugar
Thursday 10/7/10	Whole grain stuffed crust pizza (cheese or pepperoni) Garden Salad Pears	
Friday 10/8/10	Teacher's Professional Day	
Monday 10/11/10	Columbus Day	
Tuesday 10/12/10	Crispy Popcorn chicken with dipping sauces Baked potato wedges Corn Apricots	Chicken Caesar salad Pita bread Apricots
Wednesday 10/13/10	Hot dog on a bun Baked Cape Cod chips Carrot sticks with dip Fruit cup	Tuna salad roll Baked Cape Cod chips Carrot sticks with dip Fruit cup
Thursday 10/14/10	Spaghetti & Meatballs Green beans Bread stick Fruit cup	Italian sub Lettuce & tomato Baked Doritos Fruit cup
Friday 10/15/10	Sal's Pizza (cheese or pepperoni) Garden Salad Pears	
Monday 10/18/10	Chicken & rice soup Toasted cheese sandwich Veggie sticks Apricots	Chicken Caesar Wrap Veggie sticks Baked Doritos Apricots
Tuesday 10/19/10	Crispy chicken tenders Dipping sauces Whipped potatoes Corn, Wheat bread sticks Fruit cup	Turkey club sandwich Pickles Baked chips Fruit cup

Wednesday 10/20/10	Egg & cheese bagel Baked potato wedges Applesauce	Ham & Cheese sub Smart Food popcorn Pickles Applesauce
Thursday 10/21/10	Early Release Day	
Friday 10/22/10	Whole grain stuffed crust pizza (cheese or pepperoni) Garden Salad Jell-O topping	Chicken teriyaki salad Wheat pita bread Peaches
Monday 10/25/10	Cup of tomato soup Tuna salad roll Tiny twist pretzels Peaches	Chicken parmesan on a bun Oven baked fries Steamed green beans Cinnamon & sugar apple slices
Tuesday 10/26/10	Chicken patty on a bun Oven baked fries Steamed green beans Cinnamon & sugar apple slices	Buffalo chicken wrap Celery sticks w/ranch dressing Baked Doritos Frozen fruit bar
Wednesday 10/27/10	Baked macaroni & cheese Mixed vegetables Toasted roll Frozen fruit bar	Ham & cheese sub Smart food popcorn Pickles Jell-O with topping
Thursday 10/28/10	Bat shaped chicken tenders with dipping sauces Steamed corn Jell-O with topping	Ham & Cheese sub Smart Food Popcorn Pickles Jell-O with topping
Friday 10/29/10	Cheesy pizza sticks with sauce for dipping Garden salad Fruit cup	

Available Daily Alternative Lunches
<p>Grades 1 & 2 Peanut butter and jelly sandwich (<i>Smucker's Uncrustable</i>) Bagel Lunch 2.3 oz bagel w/ choice of cream cheese, margarine, or jelly Assorted cereals Included with all the above are: milk, juice, fruit, and vegetable of the day All menus are subject to change upon availability of products. Bottled Water or 100% Juice LUNCH \$2.00 MILK \$.50 SNACKS & ICE CREAM \$.75</p>

Summer, 2010 Readers

Allegrini, Ethan	Davidson, Liam	Greally, Maive
Allegrini, Morgan	Davidson, Samuel	Gregory, Luke
Amirault, Daniel	Dawes, Shaina	Gregory, Samuel
Andersen, Andrew	Delguidice, Azelin	Grennell, Sarah
Andrade, Ethan	Demers, Kaleb	Grimes, Emma
Arendt, Delaney	DePietro, Robert	Grover, Emily
Arendt, Tristan	DePietro, William	Grover, Samantha
Aresta, Shane	Desisto, Lynsey	Hanlon, Chuck
Arnold, Quinton	Desisto, Matthew	Hannon, Amanda
Arsenault, Molly	Desisto, Michael	Hannon, Victoria
Barbosa, Shannell	Desroches, Simone	Hanrahan, Sara
Bean, Zachary	DiAntonio-Smith, Kaylin	Harrington, Amanda
Beliveau, Jimmy	Dibble, Austin	Harrington, Sydney
Bellew, Ryan	Dibble, Torri	Hayward, Jeffrey
Benting, Brodin	Diogenes, Alexander	Herman, Nathan
Berry, Cole	Diogenes, Benjamin	Hill, Jaylyn
Besegai, Cameron	Dion, Emma	Holbert-Barros, Sadie
Best, Ethan	DiRado, Lucas	Holder, Terry
Blankenship, Cameron	Dishaw, John	Holmes, Emerson
Blankenship, Carson	Dishaw, Mary	Howard, Christopher
Blotner, Samuel	Doll, Emma	Hughes, Richard
Blotner, Teresa	Doll, Fred	Hunter, Arianah
Booth, Thomas	Doll, Jessica	Hutchison, Alana
Borgeson, Noah	Donahue, Jessica	Ieronimo, Gianna
Bouve, Hannah	Donahue, Jordan	Ieronimo, Laicey
Bradshaw, Nathaniel	Donnelly, Brianna	Ieronimo, Zachary
Breen, Ryan	Donoghue, Amanda	Izzo, Jack
Brown, Madison	Douglas, Christopher	Jankowski, Robert
Bumpus, Matthew	Drakakis, Trevor	Kaslauskas, Devin
Burns, Emily	Duarte, Skyla	Kaufman, Jacob
Burns, Hannah	Dudley, Jacob	Kaufman, Laura
Burns, Victoria	Dwyer, Steven	Keller, Jacob
Burr, Gillian	Egan, Christopher	Keller, Lindsey
Butler, Jack	Eldridge, Devvyn	Kemper, Dyllon
Byron, Jacob	Ellis, Melanie	Kennedy, Joshua
Camardella, Libby	England, Brianna	Kennedy, Matthew
Camelo, Olivia	England, Kerry	Kenny, Olivia
Cappuccio, Ashley	Farell, Cole	Kibbe, Andrew
Carey, Chace	Farquharson, Brandon	King, Nathan
Carey, Ciara	Fenton, Benjamin	Kishbach, Hadi
Carpender, Tyler	Ferrari, Andrew	Lagerquist, Brenna
Choi-Harlow, Chris	Ferrari, Evan	Lanagan, Mary
Christen, Connor	Ferrari, Lauren	Lapsley, Anne
Cipullo, Max	Ferrari, Michael	Lauzon, Holly
Cobb, Hailey	Fisher, Zachary	Lavalley, Carlene
Cohenno, Rene	Flores, Stephanie	Lawrence, Daniel
Colon, Bailey	Foley, Eric	Leavitt, Riley
Colon, Reese	Foster, Darren	LeBlanc, Camille
Comolli, Emily	Fox, Emily	Leininger, Hunter
Condon, Ava	Francis, Madelyne	Lemieux, Julia
Connolly, Meghan	Francis, Paige	Liddell, Payton
Corbin, Emma	Frongillo, Anastasia	Lopez, Angelina
Corr, Alexxis	Gallagher, Jessica	Lucas, Brandon
Corr, Domenic	Gallagher, Kasey	Lucas, Joshua
Corr, Joseph	Gallagher, Lexi	Lynch, Jillian
Correa, Hannah	Gardner, Taylor	Lynch, Zander
Costa, Isely	Gardner, Travis	Mackenzie, Amy
Cottam, Cheyenne	Giacomozzi, Natalia	Macrina, Alex
Cotter, Emma	Giacomozzi, Vincent	Macrina, Anthony
Cotter, Jake	Gilbert, Caleigh	Macrina, Dominic
Cotter, Madison	Giorgio, Michela	Mahoney, Aisling
Crawford, Maddy	Gleason, Emma	Mallon, Daniel
Crump, Matt	Gleason, Hanna	Manning, Aine
D'Olimpia, Barret	Gorham, Jason	Manning, Clare
Daddario, Julia	Gould, Anna	Mannix, Joseph
Dahill, Conor	Gould, Ryan	Marino, Hannah

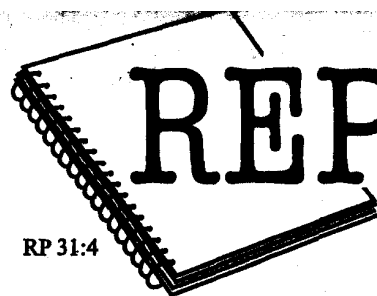
Marshall, Dalton
Marshall, Gemma
Martin, Shay
Maynard, Corinne
McAllister, Andrew
McDonald, David
McDonald, Hannah
McDonnell, Martin
McEachern, Holly
McElroy, Ava
McElroy, Charlotte
McManus, Tanya
Meaden, Nicholas
Melville, Amanda
Melville, Kyle
Mercer, Isabelle
Meredith, Brooke
Meservey, Andre
Middendorf, Julie
Miller, Luke
Miller, Nathan
Morey, Gavin
Morey, Jenna
Moscato, Olivia
Mossman, Emma
Mossman, Nicholas
Mota, Isabel
Mueller, Eric
Mueller, Maddie
Murphy, Avery
Murphy, Jenni
Murphy, Lilah
Murphy, Patrick
Murray, Joe
Murray, William
Nelson, Nicole
Nice, Morgan
Nickerson, Chloe
Nickerson, Emily
Nickerson, Haley
Niedbala, Connor
Northrup, Robekka
Nunes, Travis
O'Connor, Catherine
Orlando, Heather
Orzechowski, Abigail
Orzechowski, Emily
Page, Alyvia
Pangione, Mario
Pauze, Mckenzie
Pearlman, Jacob
Peirce, Claudia
Pelletier, JJ
Pendleton, Cameron
Perkins, Violet
Perry, Bobby
Peters, Jay
Peterson, Sydney
Picariello, Arianna
Pierce, Chelsey
Pierce, Evan
Pioppi, Daykota
Pioppi, Peter
Pompei, Isabella
Pompei, Jessica
Pompei, Mike
Pratt, Kraig
Puskar, Kevin
Ramsdell, Edward

Ramsdell, Timothy
Raymond, Nicholas
Rego, Grant
Rego, Victoria
Rennie, Jacob
Rennie, Samantha
Reopell, Ashley
Ritz, Jacquelyn
Rizzuto, Gracie
Rizzuto, Kyle
Robbins, Jared
Roberts, Cara
Roberts, Matthew
Roche, Hayden
Rodrigue, Jeremy
Rowles, Erin
Rowles, Lindsay
Rubin, Emma
Ruffini, Emily
Ruffini, Kayla
Russell, Kenneth
Ryan, Caitlin
Ryan, Nathaniel
Sanabria, Matthew
Sanson, Jacob
Sawicki, Michael
Scheufele, Benjamin
Searle, Cameron
Senior, Breigh
Shannon, Daniel
Sheehan, Isabella
Shott, Kevin
Shott, Kyle
Simmons, Emma
Simmons, Matthew
Simmons, Olivia
Smith, Doug
Smith, Max
Snow, Jason
Sologaistoa, Alex
Sologaistoa, Dante
Sologaistoa, Izzy
Sousa, Cora
Sousa, Dalton
Souza, Steve
Spiwakowski, Haley
Spinola, Shelby
Stagnitta, Elizabeth
Staples, Jared
Steed, Lauryn
Steelman, Emily
Strojny, Emily
Sturtevant, Abigail
Sylvia, Aaron
Tail, Cameron
Tait, Connor
Teebagy, Gabriella
Teebagy, Isabella
Terio, Victoria
Testa, Sarah
Thomas, Allison
Thomas, Amber
Todd, Lauren
Toomey, JJ
Tucker, Drew
Turner, Askley
Umbrianna, Allison
Umbrianna, Eric
Umbrianna, Kayley

Veronesi, Zachary
Vinal, Tayla
Vincent, Christopher
Vitale, Benjamin
Vitale, Jordan
Walcek, Anna
Walker, Benjamin
Welch, Aidan
Wentworth, Kaylie
Weston, Brenna
Weston, Holly
Weston, Kassi
Weston, Mitchell
Weygand, Brandon
Whiting, Matthew
Whittemore, Evan
Wilkins, Jacob
Wilkins, Jesse
Wood, Makayla
Yenulevich, Kara
Young, Hailey
Zemeitus, Garrett

**Representatives from
the
Massachusetts
Aggression Reduction
Center
were at our school
today**

Today all children in Grades 3, 4 and 5 attended a Bullying Prevention and Intervention School Assembly presented by the Massachusetts Aggression Reduction Center. The children received information on what bullying is and what they can do to deal with bullying in the event that they are ever a target of bullying. They also received information on cyber-bullying, what it is and how to handle cyber-bullying if they are ever a target of this type of bullying. The children also learned about "bystanders" and "eggheads" and how they can help if they witness bullying. Please talk to your child about what he/she learned today.



REPORT to PARENTS

RP 31:4

Having Successful Parent-Teacher Conferences

It doesn't matter if you're the student, the teacher, or the parent, parent-teacher conferences are bound to cause some anxiety. Yet these one-on-one meetings are priceless opportunities for families to get a better understanding of their children. By preparing well for your meetings with teachers and following up with both your children and their teachers afterward, you can strengthen your children's school success.

Before the Conference:

Listen. Any time you hear your child talking about something he or she is doing really well in or is having trouble with—either with school-work or with classmates—make a note of it. When it's time for the conference with the teacher, you'll have a ready-made list of things to discuss.

Ask. When it's time to schedule the conference with the teacher, sit down with your child and ask him or her what you should discuss with the teacher. Encourage your children to open up and tell you what it's like for them in the classroom. Do they feel like they're falling behind academically? Or are they bored because they understand the material that the rest of the class is struggling with? Are there any troubling issues with any of their classmates? One thing that's guaranteed to get your children to open up is asking them what they think their teacher is going to tell you about them.

Bring notes and papers. Write down questions you want to address with the teacher. Bring copies of any assignments you have questions about. Think ahead of time how to be tactful and kind in wording concerns you have about the teacher or the class.

During the Conference:

Be on time. Schools tightly schedule parent-teacher conferences because there's only so much time available and dozens of families to see. Show up at least a few minutes early, so you know you'll be set to begin when it's your turn.

Hire a babysitter. It's important to make sure that the

time you have with the teacher is as productive as possible. Having other children in the room is distracting. Either hire a babysitter or trade off with another parent so that your children don't tag along.

Take notes. In addition to presenting the questions and concerns you brought to the meeting, make sure to take notes about what the teacher is telling you about your child. Be sure to address these important areas: strengths, weaknesses, and social skills.

Keep emotions out of it. It is always difficult to hear that your "angel" or "young Einstein" isn't exactly the person you thought he or she was in the classroom. Keep your cool and bear in mind that the teacher is offering constructive criticism.

After the Conference:

Talk to your child. Sit down with your child and tell him or her what you and the teacher discussed. Emphasize the positive things the teacher said. Remember that it's important for your child to feel positive about learning, the teacher, and the school.

Follow up. If there were important issues that need to be dealt with, such as finding a tutor or getting counseling for your child, make sure to follow up in writing with the teacher soon after the conference. Specify exactly what you discussed with the teacher, what steps will be taken, what your responsibilities and the school's responsibilities will be, and what the timetable is for action.

Remember the principal. If, after meeting with your child's teacher, you still feel like you have serious issues that weren't adequately addressed, set up a time to talk to the guidance counselor or principal to see what other options are available.

Follow through. Once you know what you can do at home to help your child succeed in school, make sure to actually do it. It's understandable that finding the time might be difficult, but remember—your child needs you.



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