

CENTRAL ELEMENTARY NEWS

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

As we enter the last full month of school. I am amazed at how quickly this school year has passed. We have had another successful school year and I am grateful to everyone for your support.

We have many upcoming events to keep us busy for the next few weeks. We hope you can join us for some of these planned events. Please refer to the calendar throughout the month of May and June.

As you know by now our Board of Education has made the difficult decision to close Mt. Forest Elementary and reconfigure the Middle School to include Sixth Grade students. These changes will impact Pinconning Central Elementary greatly. Not only will we have many more students we will notice many changes to our teaching staff, paraprofessional staff as well as playground, food service, and custodial personnel.

With many uncertainties and questions yet to be answered in this time of transition I want to thank all our teachers who continue to make the education of the students at Pinconning Central Elementary their first priority. Your professionalism is to be admired.

As always, please feel free to contact my office for any questions, concerns or comments.

Educationally,

John Sanford, Principal



May 6th

4th, 5th, & 6th Grades to
Loons Baseball Game 8:30 – 2:30

6th Grade

Band Concert 7:30 p.m.
Middle School Gym

May 12th

5th & 6th Grades to
Visit Middle School 10:30 – 12:00

May 18th

Last Day to Check Out Library Books

Spring Music Concert
9:00 – 11:00 High School Gym

May 19th

6th Grade to
Kokomo's 10:00 – 1:00

May 20th

Aces Day
9:30

Library Closed

May 21st
Kindergarten
Saginaw Children's Museum 8:30 – 2:30

May 26th
"Used Book Sale"

May 27th
5th Grade – Fishing
Bay City State Park 9:00 – 2:00

May 28th
Field Day

May 31st
No School



June 1st
Early Release
11:10 a.m.

June 2nd
Early Release
11:10 a.m.
Last Day of School

June 4th
Report Cards Mailed Out



USED BOOK SALE

Do you have children's books you would like to donate to our "Used Book Sale". If you do, please bring them to the Pinconning Central Elementary office.

We will be having a "Used Book Sale" for our students on **Wednesday May 26th, 2010**. Proceeds from our sale will be used to purchase "new" library books.



SPRING BAND CONCERT

Pinconning Central Elementary students will be performing their "Spring Music Concert" on Tuesday, May 18, 2010 beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the "new" High School Gym.

Students will return to their classrooms immediately after they perform. Please "DO NOT" ask to have your child go home with you after they sing.

Visitors are asked to park in the lot next to the High School Gym directly across from Pinconning Central Elementary.

Our students and Vocal Music Director, Mr. Bair, have put forth a great deal of effort for this program. By following a few simple rules our "Spring Music Concert" can be made much more enjoyable for all.

1. Do not leave as soon as your child's portion of the program is over. All students deserve a full audience for their performances. Remember, your child may be last next time.
2. Refrain from talking. This rule includes whispering and disciplining your other children.
3. Turn off cell phones, pagers, and watch alarms. The ring tones don't always fit into the music nor do they sound pleasant to your neighbor.
4. Refrain from unwrapping noisy candy wrappers during the performance. If crinkly paper noises needed to be added to the music the composer would have added it.
5. Follow the "Golden Rule". Do unto others as you would have them do unto you. Good manners and courtesy have not changed. Manners count everywhere.



MEDICINE PICK UP

Please make arrangements to pick up any medication your child has stored in the school office no later than

Wednesday, June 2, 2010. All medications remaining after this date will be destroyed.



ACES / VIP DAY

Once again Pinconning Central Elementary will be participating in the Governor's Council on Physical Fitness Health and Sports ACES DAY.

ACES stands for "All Children Exercising Simultaneously".

On Thursday, May 20th from 9:30 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. all of our students will walk either the High School track or around the parking lot. Students are encouraged to ask a VIP (Very Important Person – parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, or any special adult) to join them as we all exercise at the same time.



SUMMER READING

Summer is a time for outdoor games, hot weather fun, and READING beside

the pool. Help boost your child's brain by encouraging summer (and year-round) READING.

Reading is the basis of all learning. If a child does not learn to read effectively, performance in other school subjects will likely be impacted. During the summer, plan time each day to read aloud to your child, or ask your child to read aloud to you.

Encourage reading in everyday activities. Even a trip to the grocery store can be a time to read and learn new words! Ask your child to read street signs, billboards, and restaurant menus – these real-world examples can help build your child's desire to read!

You can foster a love of reading by reading with and to your child, helping your child find books to read again and again, and by setting a positive example by reading on your own!

Make reading an everyday event this summer! Enjoy the adventures that reading has to offer!



THINGS TO DO THIS SUMMER

Visit the zoo...wash the dog...plan a slumber party...build a fort...look at the family photo album...play stickball...play hopscotch...organize a neighborhood scavenger hunt...play board

games...clean up your room...make up a play...fly a kite...go on a family trip...make a collage out of pictures...set up a lemonade stand...shoot hoops...tell stories around a campfire...organize a game...make a miniature boat...write a letter...play freeze tag...tell ghost stories...read a story...listen to a little kid count...see a local band...visit the library...go roller skating...listen to the radio daydream...paint a picture...learn how to use a compass...plant flowers...grow a garden...go swimming...read to someone...plan a picnic...go bird watching...walk the dog...visit a large city...ride a train...bake cookies...sing...start a journal...go to a museum...take a nature hike...play cards...visit a bookstore...make crafts...write a story...watch the night sky...go fishing...play touch football...go for a bike ride...learn yoga...take photographs...play soccer...cook dinner...do yard work...think...play Frisbee...make cards...play checkers...go camping...try out for a play...recycle...smile...go dancing...climb a tree...watch the sunset...find a four leaf clover...write a book...pick a bouquet of flowers...catch a jar full of lightning bugs...hug a friend...go bowling...plan a backyard circus...make popcorn...play miniature golf...create an obstacle course...use sidewalk chalk...jump rope...watercolor...make a mask...toast marshmallows...make s'more...observe insects...go to a fair...watch a storm come up...visit a nature center...have a family fun night...have a garage sale...go to a family reunion...mow the lawn...lay in the sun...take a boat ride...go to a baseball game...go horseback riding...shop...climb a dune...do something.....