

Clarksville Elementary School

Home and School Connection: Working Together for our Students

May 2022

Upcoming Events:

- May 13—Field Day & 2nd grade kickball tournament
- May 19—Virtual Awards Assembly
- May 25 —Last day of school

Paws for the Principal *A Word From Mrs. Thompson*

Yippee!! Congratulations to all students for doing a PAW-some job on the test! Teachers reported that students showed great effort on the ACT Aspire and Istation tests. Thanks to all parents/guardians for your extra encouragement at home and for making sure students were here on time each day. I look forward to sharing their results with you in the fall.

Testing is not the only thing your students have been working hard to accomplish. We're using IXL, a web-based learning and practice site, to support our curriculum this year. With thousands of skills that match what we're learning, as well as insights into student progress, IXL is a great resource to help your child excel. In IXL teachers challenge students to achieve at least an 80 *SmartScore* or achieve a question goal. The *SmartScore* is not a percentage score. It adapts to the students' responses, so even when the student gets a question wrong, it is possible to reach a 100 *SmartScore*. Student progress on IXL is always saved, so taking breaks is always okay. To check your student's accomplishments, click on *Analytics* in the top banner when your student is logged into IXL. This program will be accessible during the summer months, so we encourage parents/guardians to set goals for your students to keep skills sharp!

Absences

May already!?! With warm weather, sunny days, and state-mandated testing in the rear-view mirror it may be tempting for some to take time off from school. Please don't do that! Considering all the onsite school time missed due to the Covid shutdown and blended learning we have been faced with this school year, we need students at school. If planning a family vacation for a week or two, please plan it after school is out. The last day of school is May 25th, 2022.

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NOTES FROM NURSE STUMBAUGH

TDAP: Tetanus/Diphthria/Pertussis

Students are required to have a TDAP following their 11th birthday.

This requirement is for all school districts, so we encourage you to plan the appointment for the TDAP when your student has their 11th birthday to avoid long delays in scheduling at the local health department.

While planning for the TDAP, please ask about the **Meningococcal Conjugate (MCV4)**. This immunization can be given at the same time as the TDAP and will meet your student's requirement for school until their 16th birthday.

Immunization must be current prior to the beginning of the 2022-23 school year in August. Please make your students appointment so that attendance interruptions don't occur.

Please call if you should have any questions.

PARENTAL REMINDER

Medications at end of school

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If your student has medications at school, they must be picked-up by the last day of school, May 25th at 1:00 p.m. Medications cannot be sent home with the students, but only signed out by a parent or guardian.

All medications remaining in the Nursing Station will be disposed of on the last day school is in session through the "Take Back Program in conjunction with the local police. This includes, but is not limited to, all oral medicines, Inhaler, Epi Pens, etc..

If you should have questions, please do not hesitate to call or email me. Thanks for your attention to this process.

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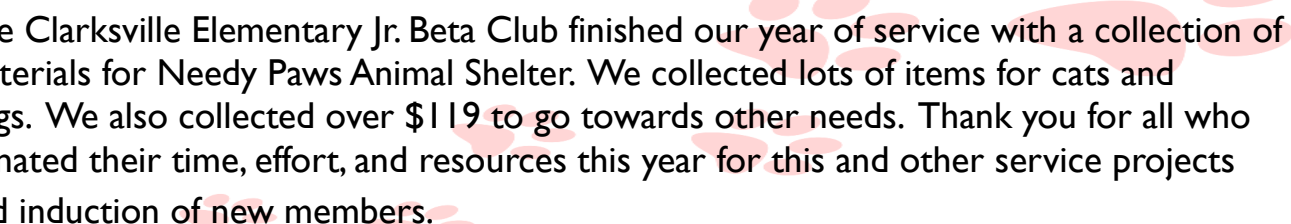
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BETA CLUB FUNDRAISER

The Clarksville Elementary Jr. Beta Club finished our year of service with a collection of materials for Needy Paws Animal Shelter. We collected lots of items for cats and dogs. We also collected over \$119 to go towards other needs. Thank you for all who donated their time, effort, and resources this year for this and other service projects and induction of new members.



2nd Grade News

The 2nd graders will be busy with lots of activities during the month of May.

May 16th: Field Trip to the Old Post Park at Lake Dardanelle

May 13th: 2nd Grade Kick-

ball Tournament

May 18th: Water Day

May 19th: Award's Assembly at the FAB 1:15

The 2nd Grade Teachers would like to remind all of their students to Read... Read...

3rd Grade News

Hooray for May! Time has flown, and this year is coming to close. Speaking of flying—in science, third grade students will finish off the year by learning about Stability of Motion: Flight and discovering more about the explorers of North America in CKLA. In math, multiplication and division will be the focus, and the students will get a chance to show off their fluent memorization skills with the last math essential standard. To top all of that, third grade will enjoy some fun in the sun with a trip to the park and celebrate with a trip to the movies. More information will be sent about this by teachers. :)

4th Grade News

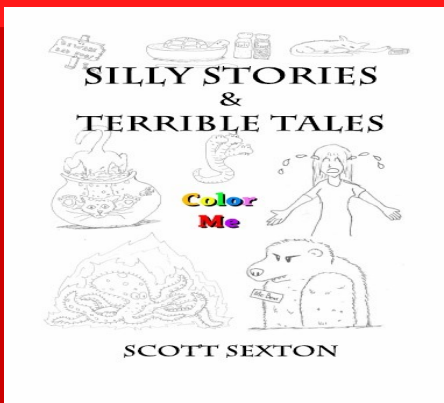
May is upon us once again! In math and science, we are completing our remaining skills and topics for the year. In literacy, we will finish The American Revolution, and then onto *Treasure Island*. In social studies, we will contin-

ue our history of Arkansas. Have sensational summer break!

5th Grade News

Our scientists will be beginning our PLTW: Robotics unit. They will design a robot to build that can complete a task. In math, we will be learning all about the hierarchy of shapes and how to classify those shapes based on sides and angles. We are so excited for warmer weather and enjoying our last month of school. We know our fifth graders will be successful in Middle School! Happy Summer!!

In 5th Grade CKLA and social studies, we are finishing our year strong by studying the European Reformation. We are reading about, writing about, and researching about this amazing time period!



MR. SEXTON WROTE A BOOK!

One of our music teachers wrote a book. It is titled *Silly Stories and Terrible Tales*. The book will be available on Amazon, but currently it can only be found on lulu.com. People can go to lulu.com and enter "Scott Sexton" into the search bar, or they can go to tinyurl.com/mrsextonbook as a shortcut.

Reminder

Starting this summer, Clarksville Elementary School grades 2-5 will be split into two schools! We are happy to announce that Mrs. Kathy Gregory will be the Principal of the new school, Clarksville Intermediate, which will serve grades four and five in the current Upper Elementary building. This change will not be too disruptive to students and parents as fourth and fifth grades are already accustomed to that building and that cafeteria. The fourth-grade teachers will move their classrooms to the new space. We are excited to bring a new building to our district and encourage all parents and students to keep a look out this summer for announcements pertaining to this change. Please contact Mrs. Christel Thompson or Mrs. Kathy Gregory at either office for question.

Crowe's Cub

We have been very busy lately working on goals and learning how to cook simple recipes such as yogurt parfaits, English muffin pizzas and trail mix – to name a few. These recipes are easy to follow and the students can easily create these delicious snacks at home! We have also been working on lots of new math concepts including word problems, simple fractions and regrouping.

We have been listening to the story "The One and Only Ivan." The students have really enjoyed this story so far and look forward to seeing the movie version. We are closing in on the end of the school year and hope everyone has a safe and fun filled summer!



IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT TRANSPORTATION CHANGES

Changes to the way a student goes home each day must be received in writing by 2:30. You may send a note with you child or you may email the secretary. Please include the address of the bus stop if your child is riding a bus. You may include the bus number if you know it.

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Have an AMAZING Summer Break!!