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Todd Topics

From the Principal's Pen

May/June 2019

The spring season is finally here! Please remember that students should still dress appropriately. Please refer to your dress code as the weather gets warmer. There should be no tank tops or spaghetti straps without a top over them. Midriffs should not be showing. Shorts should be appropriate length and no flip flops cannot be worn at school.

Teacher and staff appreciation week is May 6th through the 10th this year and Nurse's Day is May 8th. Please thank them for all their hard work.

Congratulations to our students and staff being recognized at The Knights of Distinction dinner. Melissa Rohrbeck will be recognized as the Teacher of the Year, Mary Ellen Fuentes will be recognized as the Support Staff of the Year, Lanie Nenneman and Raul Ramirez-Rojas are being recognized as our Students of the Year, Melinda Brown is being recognized as our Volunteer of the Year, and Claire Kinast is being recognized as our Parent of the Year.

Thank you to all of our families that participated in the APTT meeting this school year. Please watch for invites for focus groups to share your thoughts about APTT.

Forms will be sent home next week for you to share your ideas about your child's classroom placement for next year. Please return as soon as possible.

Thank you to everyone that participated in the EXCCEL after school program this year. We will keep you informed about after school programming for summer school and next school year.

Congratulations to Mr. Rohrneck's Destination Imagination team for an excellent performance at the state tournament. Also, congratulations to all the students that participated in the Name That Book contest. You represented Todd well.

Congratulations to all the students that completed the Snapper Reading Program. See you at the game on May 10th.

The School District of Beloit will be offering Summer School for 6 weeks this summer. The dates are June 17th through July 31st. Todd is a Summer School site for PK-3rd grade students that attend Robinson and Todd. Fruzen and Cunningham will be the summer school sites for the 4th - 8th grade students. Please sign your child up as soon as possible. It is on a first come first serve basis. The PK-3rd Summer School will run from 7:45 - 2:15 and students will receive breakfast and lunch.

Our carnival is scheduled for June 1st. Thank you to everyone that has volunteered to help at the Todd Carnival. We appreciate everyone's help and their donations. This will be a fun day for everyone involved. We hope for great weather.

This is a busy time of year with many field trips and other activities scheduled. Please make sure you check your child's backpack every night so that no forms are missed. We do not want students excluded because they forgot to return a form.

Please mark your calendars for the all school picnic and talent show on June 10th. Participation forms will be coming home in the near future. All families are invited to attend the picnic and talent show.

The last day of school is June 11th. Our last PBIS assembly will be the last day of school. Please watch for the scheduled times.

We have many exciting things going on at Todd and May and June is a very busy month so please mark your calendars to keep abreast of all the activities. Please remember to get involved with your child at home and at school. We always welcome volunteers.

Melody Wirgau—Todd School Principal

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Days of Interest

May 2-	Turtle Tunes Recital-4:30 pm
May 2 & 3-	4K to Diamond Lanes
May 5-	Cinco de Mayo
May 6-10-	Teacher Appreciation Week
May 6-	Pastries for Peeps And Nurse Appreciation Day
May 7-	1 st Grade to Rotary Gardens/3 rd Grade to Library(Parsons/Wilsons)
May 8 -	1 st Grade to Rotary Gardens(Staller/Morales)
May 10-	Snow Make-Up Day-School in Session
May 10-	Todd Snappers Night
May 13-	NO TIMBERWOLF TIME
May 14-	PTO Meeting-3:30
May 15-	SEAL A SMILE
May 16-	1 st Grade to Rotary Gardens- Rohrbeck /Lamaster
May 22	3 rd Grade to Blackhawk Tech
May 23-	4K Graduation 5:15-6:45 pm
May 27-	NO SCHOOL-Memorial Day!!
May 30-	3 rd Grade visit to Fruzen and Aldrich
May 31-	DLI- K to 3 rd Grade Picnic @ Leeson's Park-10:30
June 1-	CARNIVAL – 11am-3pm
June10-	All School Picnic-11am/ Talent Show @ 1:30 pm
	50% off Book Sale from Scholastic
June11-	Last Day of School

News from Early Childhood

It is hard to believe the end of the school year is quickly approaching. We have had such a great year of progress. We are finishing up our last Jolly Phonics sounds these next few weeks and reviewing all of the sounds we have learned. We continue to review our color and shape names as well as practice counting. We are getting outside more to enjoy the playground again with the warmer weather. Please continue to send a light jacket as it may be cool especially in the morning. We have greatly enjoyed our students this year and really appreciate their families who shared them with us. We were so lucky



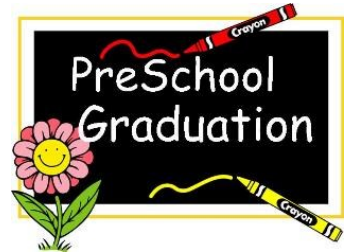
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K4

May and June already? How can that be? It seems that just a few short months ago we were greeting our brand new students at our doors and drying away their nervous tears...and those of their parents!! Now here we are. On May 23rd we will celebrate our 4K graduation ceremony in the gym. Watch for invitations and announcements to come. It is such a great night watching our students sing and receive their 4K diploma! Lots of chances for great pictures too.

There are great opportunities this year for summer school! Look on the school district website for more information or Mrs. McNulty in the office would be glad to answer any questions.

If our weather EVER gets to the real warm point...be reminded of our summer dress code. There is a copy on our website, but more specifically for our 4K friends, no flip flops, spaghetti traps, or short shorts. Sometimes it is cool in our rooms so the sweater or extra sweatshirts that students have been bringing are great ideas.



Kindergarten

Our Kindergarten year has gone by quickly! It is an exciting time for us! We are learning about the different life cycle stages as we hatch baby chicks, butterflies and tadpoles. We are looking forward to our end of the year field trip to the zoo. Keep reading with your student over the summer to keep their momentum going! Thank you to all of our families who have helped us this year and we hope you have a great summer!



1st Grade

We were so excited to see so many families at our April APTT meeting! It was great to see the academic gains the students have made and learn new games to play at home to practice reading and math skills. In reading, the students are learning how to use their "Reading Super Powers" to set goals for being even better readers than they already are. In writing, the students are writing narrative stories and learning how to edit their stories. In math, the students are learning about hundreds, tens, and ones. This will prepare them for adding and subtracting with two digit numbers by the end of the year! In science, the students are learning about living things and their young. We are looking forward to going to the Rotary Gardens in May to learn more about plants and flowers and how they grow.

Todd First Grade



2nd Grade

Todd second grade is getting ready to finish up the year and complete all the testing to show their growth. Please pay attention to dates for testing and make sure kids are well rested and ready to do their best.

We will work on 3-digit addition and subtraction in math. Please practice math facts to 20 for addition and subtraction.

We are working on poetry in both reading and writing. Remember to encourage reading at home.

Our field trip in Friday, June 7th to Burpee Museum and Discovery Center. Please return the permission slip and the \$10 as soon as possible. If you want to chaperone you must have a volunteer slip on file and pay \$10 for the 2 admissions. We need slips and money in by Memorial Day.

Please remember to send info back, volunteer and come to the Carnival. The money we make there helps fund our field trips.

We have enjoyed having your children for the past 2 years and are **so proud of the third graders they will become!**



3rd Grade DLI

We are studying about Ellen Ochoa in Spanish class. Ask your child about her. At the end of our unit, we'll be writing about what makes Ellen Ochoa an active citizen.

MAPS testing is coming up. Your child will take the MAPS test for Math in English, and the MAPS test for Reading in both English and Spanish.

On May 6th, we will be going to the Beloit Public Library. On May 22, we will be visiting Blackhawk Technical College. On May 30th, we will be visiting Fruzen and Aldrich Intermediate Schools.

DLI will have the annual picnic on Friday, May 31st from 10:30 to 1:30. We will be walking to Leeson's Park. You may come to eat and play. You are welcome to sign your child out for the day after the picnic.

The all school picnic will be on June 10th on the Todd School playground. We hope to see you there.



3rd Grade

Third graders are busy with their research book clubs, studying different animals in small groups. In math, we are working on collecting and analyzing data, and will move on to geometry in the next couple of weeks.

During the second week in May, all classes will be taking a field trip to the Beloit Public Library. Students who returned the library card sign up form in time will be picking up their cards and will be invited to check out a book. The return of these books will be the responsibility of the family.



May 30th is our Intermediate school visit. Families will be invited as we tour Fruzen or Aldrich, spend some time in a fourth grade classroom, and even get to eat lunch! This will be an important day as we prepare for the transition to intermediate school.

Calling all Carnival Volunteers

Listed below are some of the areas we will need volunteers.

- ◆ Run a game
- ◆ Help in the kitchen
- ◆ Ticket Sales
- ◆ Crowd control
- ◆ Donate 1 or more 6 packs of soda (20 oz. for ring toss game)
- ◆ Donate 3 or more items for the cake walk
- ◆ Donate big ticket item to be used as raffle item
- ◆ Set up



This is our BIG fundraiser and it was a HUGE success last year. PLEASE contact the office @ 361-4200 or 361-4205

The school year is quickly winding down and with that comes our annual Beloit Public Library Art Show. Todd students will have work on display in the Children's Area at the Beloit Public Library from Monday, May 6th through Sunday, May 12th. Make sure to stop by during this week to view the wonderful artwork created by some of our Todd artists! Spring time is also a time for many of those special projects that students look forward to. 4K and Kindergarten will be experimenting with new techniques and sculpture. First graders will be making their pinch pots with clay and 2nd graders will be making their Wayne Thiebaud-inspired clay cupcakes. Our 3rd grade students will be finishing up their yearbook cover contest and will be creating the first-ever tiles for a permanent Legacy Wall at Todd School. The next several weeks will be full of fun, new art experiences!



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The mission of the School District of Beloit, committed to excellence and strengthened and enriched by diversity, is to prepare each student to compete, contribute and thrive as an admirable citizen in a rapidly changing world by engaging students in a wide variety of high quality, relevant programs in partnership with families, schools and the stateline community.

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