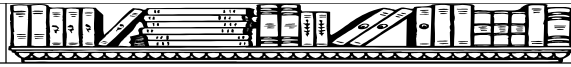




# A Little Ton Of News

## From The Administration



Our Kindergarten, first and second grade students will take the Stanford 10 Achievement Test Tuesday, April 21st through Thursday, April 23rd. The Stanford 10 is a norm-referenced test, which measures a student's academic achievement in reading and language arts. All questions on the Stanford 10 are in a multiple choice format and reflect academic content that is commonly taught across the United States. The Stanford 10 Achievement Test is un-timed to encourage all students to give their best effort and complete the test. Be sure to have your child eat a protein-rich breakfast each morning, in addition to, assuring that he/she goes to bed early.

Also, we have an exciting new feature for parents called AR Connect. Simply log in using your child's ID number and initials and check AR progress by quarter and year! You can see progression toward goals, books read, points earned, test results, book levels, and more. Check it out today!

<http://renplace.leeschools.net/RenaissanceServer/HomeConnect/Login.aspx>

or check under Parents from our school's website.

Thank you,

Mrs. Broughton and Mr. Bruner



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### English

If you would like a verbal translation of this newsletter, please call 995-3800.

### Spanish

Si usted desea escuchar una traducción de esta noticia, llame 995-3800.

### April Scheduled Events

K & 1st grade Field day	1
2nd & 4th grade Field day	2
3rd & 5th grade Field day	3
Spring Break SCHOOL CLOSED	6 Thru 14
Easter Sunday	12
Qtr. 3 Report Card Day	15
4th Grade Program	17
SAT 10 Testing Grades K - 2nd	21 Thru 23
Earth Day	22
3rd Grade Earth Day Program	24

### Owl Connection News

Summer will be here  
before we know it.

We have a fun filled  
summer planned.

Pick up a registration form  
in the front office.



### Fund Raiser Cookie Orders



Thank you

for your orders and support  
for the school.

Orders will be here April

### Calling All Volunteers

We would love some of your time and expertise to be on our Beautification Committee. The committee is simply helping plan the Beautification Day coming up in May!

### Field Day Schedule



Wednesday	Kindergarten	-	8:30 - 10:30
April 1st	1st Grade	-	11:30 - 1:30
Thursday	2nd Grade	-	8:30 - 11:00
April 2nd	4th Grade	-	11:45 - 2:05
Friday	3rd Grade	-	8:30 - 11:00
April 11th	5th Grade	-	11:45 - 2:05

Children may be out of uniform on the day of their grade level field day. They may also bring hats, sunscreen and water bottles that are clearly marked with their names on them.

### Spring Break



School Closed for students

April 6th - 14th

Enjoy your time with your  
child(ren)

School resumes April 15th.



## Remember The "Hidden" Values of Homework

Homework, says John Rosemond in *Ending the Homework Hassle*, teaches students these important life lessons:

- 1) **Responsibility.** Homework teaches kids to fulfill their obligations. Kids also learn to hold themselves accountable for their mistakes and successes. But, when parents get too involved these lessons don't get learned.
- 2) **Autonomy.** When teachers start assigning homework, it's probably the first time a person outside the family has assigned tasks to the child. Completing homework teaches the child he can stand on his own two feet.
- 3) **Perseverance.** Most parents want to protect their children from frustration. "Little do they realize that more often than not, making a child's life easier in the present will only make it harder in the future," Rosemond writes.
- 4) **Time Management.** Learning to manage time is one of the most valuable skills your child can learn.
- 5) **Initiative.** Homework can help students learn to be self-motivated. But, Rosemond warns, "Initiative is like a muscle, if it's exercised, it strengthens."

All these values, Rosemond says, add up to self-esteem. By allowing children to take the responsibility for their homework, they will also develop the skills they need to enjoy a successful adulthood.

## Parent Quiz

### Are you Teaching Your Child Responsibility?

Here's a quiz to see whether you're doing all you can to foster responsibility in your child:

Give yourself five points for something you usually do, zero points for something you never do, or any score in between.

\_\_\_\_\_ 1. My child has chores to do around the house.

\_\_\_\_\_ 2. My child uses an alarm clock to get himself up in the morning.

\_\_\_\_\_ 3. If my child forgets something at home, I don't bail him out by driving it to school.

\_\_\_\_\_ 4. We have a regular time for homework, but I don't nag. Homework is my child's responsibility.

\_\_\_\_\_ 5. I give my child choices whenever possible.

### How did you score:

Above 20 means you're raising a responsible child. 15 to 19 is average. Below 15 may mean you're not giving your child enough responsibility.



Thank you!



Littleton Elementary has passed our goal of 500 points from Campbell's Soup Labels and we are very close to our \$1000.00 Box Tops goal! With our Campbell's Labels we have purchased Glue, Balls, & an Eggspert Game buzzer system for the classrooms.

### You could win 4 tickets to a Miracle baseball game!

To close out this wonderful school year we are having a *Miracle Baseball* Competition. For every 5 Box Tops, Campbell's labels, or combination of the two, the student receives an entry into the drawing. Our GRAND PRIZE is a **before game tour and 4 Box Seats to a *Miracle Baseball* game!** Other prizes include: tickets to Charlotte Raceway and meal/dessert certificates from several local restaurants. Please be sure not to cut the dates off of the Box Tops. You may put all Box Tops and Campbell's Labels in a plastic bag with the names of the student and the teacher.

Thank you for your support of these programs!

Donna Inlow

Volunteer Coordinator