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Erickson Express

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DEAR PARENT,

Students in grades 1-5 will be dismissed at 1:40 on Wednesday, October 7. Staff members will be involved in discussions related to the new reading series.



All students will not be in attendance on Friday, October 9. This day is set aside for staff development. Teachers will learn about the new Curriculum Mapping software, and Scott Foresman/Pearson will hold a subject specific reading in-service.

Creative Writing Club

A Creative Writing Club will be offered for interested fourth graders during this school year. This special group will meet during lunch and recess on Fridays starting October 16th. Fourth grade students will have the opportunity to create and publish a written work. Brainstorming, revision, and editing skills will be discussed and practiced by the club members. Fourth grade students were given permission slips and should return them by October 2nd. The club will be facilitated by Erickson parent Mrs. Gattuso.

Interested fourth grade students were given permission slips for the program in their classrooms. The permission slips are due on October 2nd. The group will be limited to 15 students a session. If there is sufficient interest a session of the club will start after winter break.

If you have any questions please contact Dr. Niemiec at 630-529-2223.

Student Council-Dress Up Day

Student Council is sponsoring a Wacky Wednesday! "Dress Up Day" will be on Wednesday, October 14th. Participate by wearing fancy clothes such as dresses, skirts, tuxedos, ties, and/or dress shoes! It will be a GRAND affair!

School Pictures

Anyone that ordered Package "C" will be receiving the additional two 8 x 10's and two 3 x 5's that were not included in the order sent home. You do not need to return any photos.

Even small lies and deceptions can topple towers of trust.

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Project Wisdom Quote of the Week

U.S. Brigadier General Sherian Cadoria once told a story about something that happened in her childhood that helped her learn to make wiser choices.

She and her brother and sister went shopping, and the cashier gave them back a penny too much change. When they got home and told their mom what had happened, she made them walk three miles back to the store to return the money. She punished all three of them because she believed that one of them should have known it was wrong and spoken up.

Brigadier General Cadoria learned a lesson she never forgot. Remember that it takes only one person in a group to say, "This is wrong." It takes only one person to make a difference. The next time you are in a group and feel pressured to do something you know is wrong, remember this story, be strong, and be a leader.

PTO News

Gift Wrap and Cookie Dough Sale

The gift wrap and cookie dough and more sale ends on Monday, October 5. Please contact all your relatives and friends....Remember one order can make a big difference! Do your Christmas shopping early with the great gifts and gift wrap available...No time to cook or bake? Check out these easy meals and cookie dough. Delivery is on Tuesday, November 10. Just in time for the holidays!

Questions: Call Judy Kaiser at (630) 307-7552

Box Top Kick-Off

It is time to bring those General Mills Box Tops we have been collecting during the summer to school. Attached to this letter is the list of participating products. Some new items are "Avery" office supply products, and "Fiber One" products. Our first submission date of October 31, 2009 is fast approaching. Thanks for collecting and reading the attached letter and detailed list of participating products.



Events to Remember

Wednesday, October 7	11:45-12:40 1:40	Hot Lunch Early Dismissal
Friday, October 9		No school-Teacher Institute
Monday, October 12		No School-Columbus Day