

SMITH TIMES

Friday, May 15, 2015

Volume 23, Number 32

The Principal's Corner

Greetings!

I hope spring is off to a happy and healthy start for you and all the members of your family. As we begin the process of transitioning from one school year to another, I wanted to remind everyone of the dates and times of several upcoming events. Our annual Appreciation Assembly will be held on Thursday, June 4th at 8:30 a.m. At that time, we will honor all staff members, especially those who are retiring or moving on to new adventures. (The P.T.O. is also hosting a Retirement Reception in their honor on Tuesday, June 9th at 3:00 p.m. in the library.) Field Day will be held on Friday, June 5th, with a rain date of Monday, June 8th. The P.T.O. will again sponsor our annual end-of-year school picnic on Friday, June 5th. The last day of school for the 2014-15 school year will be on Friday, June 12th, with dismissal taking place at 11:30 a.m. On that day, we will hold our Farewell Assembly for Grade 5 students at 8:30 a.m. in the gym. Kindergarten students will present our departing students with a carnation, just as Grade 5 students welcomed our newest students to the building at the beginning of the school year.

Student placement letters will be mailed to parents/guardians on Friday, June 19th. We are in the process of finalizing the hiring of a Grade 1 teacher, and I will announce the list of all our teachers and their assignments for the 2015-16 school year in an upcoming newsletter.

Thanks for all you are doing—and will do—to make our school community one of safety, respect, and responsibility for all who come through our doors.

News from Around the School



Mrs. Kerrin Flanagan's Grade 1 class is finishing shape books to complete their study of two-dimensional shapes. They are studying three-dimensional shapes, too. The group is enjoying their Anansi stories from West Africa. Students will choose their favorite story to recreate in dioramas. They hope their mothers enjoyed the poems they wrote them for Mothers' Day.

Mrs. Carolyn Pallutto's Grade 1 class is busy with their reading, working especially hard on improving their fluency. They have fluency buddies with whom they read each morning. They do a lot of writing connected to their reading. They were excited to receive letters from their penpals in Brazil. In Science, they are exploring light and shadows.

Calendar of Events

- 5/25:** Memorial Day Holiday (No school.)
- 6/4:** Appreciation Assembly (8:30 a.m.)
- 6/5:** Community Connection Breakfast and Meeting (8:00 a.m.) -- Cafeteria
- 6/5:** Field Day
- 6/5:** End of Year School Picnic (5:00-7:00 p.m.)
- 6/9:** Retirement Reception (3:00-4:00 p.m.) -- Library
- 6/12:** Farewell Assembly (8:30 a.m.)
- 6/12:** Last Day of School for Students (11:30 a.m. dismissal)
- 6/19:** Placement Letters for 2015-16 Mailed
- 6/29:** Smith School Night at Lake Monsters Game (7:00 p.m.)

