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Bierbusse/Boyle 6th Grade News

Report Cards Go Home Friday!
Payment 1 Due for Pictured Rocks Class Trip!
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Important News

Daddy-Daughter Dance 6th Grade Fundraiser

Parents and students are needed for set-up, serving desserts, and clean-up. Please see the informational letter and form passed out to students last Thursday. Every 6th grade family is expected to donate one dessert the day of the dance.

The 6th grade will be hosting a daddy-daughter dance in the gym on Thursday, February 11th from 6:30-8:30. Girls ranging from pre-K to 8th grade are invited to attend. All money raised will be used towards funding the 6th grade class trip. The cost per family is \$10.00.

Corsages are available to order to make your evening extra special. Attached to this flyer you will find a corsage order form for Perkin's Flowers. The cost of a wrist corsage is \$8.00. A portion of corsages ordered through Perkin's Flowers will benefit the sixth grade fundraiser.

- **Pictured Rocks National Lake Shore Trip...** Students have received an informational handout regarding the trip and chaperone expectations. Enclosed was the permission slip and the total cost of the trip. For those who wish to participate in our payment plan, a payment schedule is listed below. Although the total cost of the trip isn't due until the first week in May, permission slips were due last Friday, **December 11th**. To work out details of the trip it is important to have an accurate count of students attending.

Payment Plan:


A payment of \$35 for student and \$38 for chaperones attending-

Payment 1 due: January 29 *Due this Friday*

Payment 2 due: February 26

Payment 3 due: March 31st

Payment 4 due: May 7th

- **Vocabulary Quiz...**A vocabulary quiz is scheduled for Friday, January 29.
- **Pizza Kit Fundraiser** *All orders were due today.*  Delivery will be on February 22- this is the Monday directly after our winter break. Please mark your calendars. Your child will receive \$5 for each kit sold to put towards their class trip balance.
- **Report Cards go home Friday, January 29. With your child's report card will be all of their graded work from the second marking period. Please review their graded work and report card. Sign and return the report card envelope to your child's homeroom teacher. Thank you.**

Classroom Corner

Students have been assigned to a math group. Your child should be recording their math assignment in their planner each day in class. Please *check your child's planner, frequently ask to see their homework and inquire about how they are doing with newly taught concepts.*

In Social Studies, students will continue to discuss the role of culture in our lives.

In Science, students will complete a mini unit on earthquakes and volcanoes. Specifically, students will read and discuss to understand how these natural forces change earth's landscape.

In English Language Arts students will begin a new book club novel study with the novel, Tuck Everlasting. Students will read, complete a written response, track a character's significant actions and thoughts, identify the theme and discuss each chapter. This week, students will continue the paired reading novel study. They will choose a novel with a partner, read and complete a reading comprehension packet. This study is an important tool for their teachers to monitor their use of reading comprehension skills and strategies.

In Writer's Workshop students have been engaged in mini lessons on how to write "good" fiction. We are focusing on writing short stories. Students will listen as their teachers read aloud various short stories and examine effective techniques the authors use to create a good piece of fictional writing.

Home-School Connection Feel Free to Contact Us!

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Science Fair Extravaganza

The fair is scheduled for March 4, 2010. Science Fair Display Board Order Form Due February 1.

Happy Birthday!!



Greg January 8
Nolan January 2
Zanon January 22
Josh January 27

Tuck Everlasting Words

Test FRIDAY, January 29

Eddies (noun): *currents of water or air running contrary to the main current; a whirlpool*

Mirage (noun): *an optical effect that is sometimes seen at sea, in the desert, or over a hot pavement, that may have the appearance of a pool of water or a mirror in which distant objects are seen inverted, and that is caused by the bending or reflection of rays of light by a layer of heated air; an optical effect caused by reflections of light through heated air*

Perilous (adjective): *dangerous; hazardous*

Submission (noun): *the condition of being submissive, humble, or compliant; an act of submitting to the authority or control of another*

Constable (noun): *a peace officer with less authority and smaller jurisdiction than a sheriff, empowered to serve warrants and make arrests*

Illiterates (noun): *people unable to read or write; having no form of education*

Accommodation (noun): *Something that meets a need; a convenience.*

Gander (noun): *A look or glance.*

Roust (verb): *To drive (as from bed) roughly or unceremoniously.*

Ignorant (adjective): *Lacking knowledge, education, or experience.*

Petulance (adjective): *Unreasonably irritable or ill tempered.*