January 2015 A PTA Newsletter Volume 2 Issue 5

The Fountaindale Flyer

Principal's Corner:

Each January we all are refreshed with the start of a new year to set goals for ourselves. As you set your own New Year's Resolutions, take some time with your children to talk with them about their goals for the year. What is it that they want to accomplish academically, socially, personally and what specific steps will they take to achieve their goals. Post a visual reminder in your home and revisit the goals often talking about progress. Each of the staff at Fountaindale have set goals for the year and are really excited to see the progress that it being made by our students as readers, writers, mathematicians and problem solvers.

We look forward to continuing to celebrate all of our students' accomplishments towards their goals this year!

Megan Dodd | Principal – Fountaindale School for the Arts and Academic Excellence
Collaborate. Create. Challenge the Status Quo.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!
~ 2015 ~

Upcoming Dates:

JANUARY

1/7 - Geography Bee 8:30am-9:30am

1/15 - End of 2nd Mrkg Period

1/16 - Prof. Day - NO SCHOOL

1/19 - MLK Jr. Day - NO SCHOOL

1/20 - Prof. Day - NO SCHOOL

1/22 - STARS - 6pm

1/23 - 1st Grade to Planetarium

1/27 - MAP Testing Begins

1/29 - VIP Treat

1/30 - PBIS Reward

Thank you!

Thank you to each and every family who took a tag off of the Fountaindale Staff Wish Tree last month. Our staff does so much for our children, it's nice when we can do something for them in return. Your help was greatly appreciated.

~~~~~~

Thank You *to all of the students who participated in the Books for Babies program! Thank you to everyone who sponsored those students and their love of reading, too! Fountaindale raised a total of $1,133.96!!! That's the most Fountaindale has ever raised for Books for Babies! Big pat on the back!! The Books for Babies Program is sponsored by the Washington County Free Library, Meritus Medical Center of Washington County, and the Books for Babies Coordinating Committee.*

~~~~~~

2014-2015 Class Attendance Challenge

Congratulations to Mrs. Durham's class *for winning the first Class Attendance Challenge! They received a pizza party before Winter Break! Which class will be next?*
How it works:

1. *Classes compete for prizes.*
2. *Each student must be in class by 7:35am.*
3. *Every student must be present.*
4. *No tardies*

~~~~~~

Attention Parents of First Graders!

First Grade is doing another project & your help is needed! Donations of: Soda Bottles, Milk Jugs, Water Bottles, Tissue Boxes, Plastic Containers, Small-Medium Cardboard Boxes…Basically, any recyclable plastic or cardboard containers. Your help is greatly appreciated by the First Grade Team and first grade students!

~~~~~~

Transportation Reminder:
All *transportation changes* ***must*** *be made* ***in writing****. Transportation changes over the phone* ***cannot*** *be accepted. Notes must be hand-written, signed, & dated and sent to school with your child. Email requests are* ***not*** *acceptable. Thank you for your cooperation.*

Encore Spotlight

As the new year kicks off all students will be starting new learning units in music class. To learn more about what we are doing in music class, please check out our student blog at www.fountaindalemusic.weebly.com. All of our learning connects back to our Enduring Understanding: Music is a Language for Communicating Thoughts, Feelings, and Ideas!

- Kindergarten will continue working on steady beat and begin learning about word rhythms.
- 1st Grade will continue practicing singing in tune and begin learning about reading notes on the staff.
- 2nd Grade will be learning about high, middle, and low and how to read them on the staff. 2nd grade students will also soon begin preparing for a concert which will be in April. (Look for more information to come about this!)
- 3rd Grade will continue reviewing melodic contour and will begin learning how to play the recorder! (Look for more information to come soon about this!)
- 4th Grade will review reading music notation and begin learning music expression vocabulary.
- 5th Grade will review reading music notation and will begin learning about different types of American music.

Poetry & Short Story Writing Contest 2015

The Washington County Free Library's annual writing contest has begun! Visit the library in person or online for more information!

~~~~~~

The Fountaindale PTA is looking for help in putting together a first-ever:
Spring Fling Health & Fitness Fair.
Some of the possibilities for this event are: health & wellness booths, zumba, yoga, & martial arts demonstrations, healthy food samples, and more!
If you would like to help make this event a reality, please contact Teri Jo Matthews at ptafountaindale@yahoo.com .

~~~~~~

Leitersburg Frequent Movie Cards

For every movie ticket sold, Leitersburg Cinemas donates $1 to the Fountaindale PTA.
As a Frequent Movie Card holder, you receive 1 Stamp for each ticket purchased.
5 Stamps = 1 Free Popcorn! 10 Stamps = 1 Free Movie Ticket!
Pick up your Leitersburg Frequent Movie Card in the front office at school!

~~~~~~

We Need Substitute Lunchtime Assistants at Fountaindale!

Work during school hours, see children every day, help children with their lunches, wipe down tables, help keep lunchtime enjoyable, no school…no work.
Apply today! Visit wcpshr.com to submit an application! We need you now!

Bonus & Reward Card Update

Martin's Bonus Cards
- ***85** Bonus Cards*
- *YTD Total: **$341.55***

Target REDCard
- ***12** REDCards*
- *Amt twd next Target donation: **$49.51***

Shoparoo Update

- *Shoparoo-ers: **56***
- *YTD Total: **$126.04***
- *December $1,000 Sweeps Entries: **192***
- *$15,000 Sweeps Entries: **813***

Top December Shoparoo-ers!

1. *Teri Jo Matthews*
2. *Kimberly Socks*
3. *Jennie Jack*
4. *Charlene Gervasoni*
5. *Kathleen Chaney*
6. *Charles Draper*
7. *S Warrick*
8. *Kim Richardson*
9. *Kim Graves*
10. *Courtney Gervasoni*

December Shoparoo Grade Level Competition

1. *3rd Grade*
2. *Kindergarten*
3. *5th Grade*
4. *1st Grade*
5. *2nd Grade*
6. *4th Grade*

Your 2014-2015 PTA Board

Teri Jo Matthews *President*	*Kim Graves* *Vice President*	*Elizabeth Williams* *Treasurer*	*Stephanie Young* *Secretary*
Website *http://fountaindalepta.weebly.com*	*E-Mail* *ptafountaindale@yahoo.com*	*Facebook* *http://facebook.com/fountaindalepta*	
~~~~~~