



Mayfield Elementary School Newsletter

Middletown City Schools (www.Middletowncityschools.com)

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Issue #20-Jan. 29

Parent-Teacher Conferences Monday, February 8 Wednesday, February 10

Parent-Teacher Conferences will take place on Monday, February 8 and Wednesday, February 10. You should be receiving an appointment time very soon. Please make every attempt to attend your child's conference. This is your opportunity to voice any concerns you may have regarding your child.

Attention Parents of Second Grade Students

Please continue to practice reading with your child every evening. Your child will be expected to be able to orally read 90 words per minute in order to be benchmarked. If your student is benchmarked at 90 words per minute at the end of the year, they will have the score that they should have at the end of the year.

Family Science Event

Come for the fun of it!

Do lots of cool activities, and take home the stuff you make.

When: February 18 from 6:00-7:00 PM

Where: Robert "Sonny" Hill Jr. Community Center
800 Lafayette Ave., Middletown

Phone reservations requested by calling (513) 425-7866

****Adverse weather makeup date: February 25 2010****

Sponsored by: Center for Chemistry Education at Miami University Middletown

DATES TO REMEMBER

Feb. 8 & 10 – Parent-Teacher Conferences

Feb. 10 – Early Release at 2:45 PM

Feb. 11 – PTO Mtg. – 4:00 PM

Feb. 11 – Midterms come home

Feb. 15 – NO SCHOOL-Observance of President's Day

Feb. 16 – Spring Picture Day

Feb. 16 – Skating Party-6:30-8:30 PM

Attention Third Grade Parents

Word wall words for the week of Feb. 1 are the following:

Said schools something sometimes terrible

***** Attention First Grade Parents

Word Wall Words for the week of February 1 are the following:

new old pretty rain when

The word family for the week is -oo , as in book.

Tax Help

AARP will prepare taxes for people of all ages who are low to middle income from Feb. 1 through April 15 at the following locations:

Middletown Library – Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10:30 to 2:30, no appt. needed

Towne Mall – Monday and Thursdays from 10:00 to 2:00, no appt. needed

Middletown Senior Center – the first Friday of each month, by appt. only

For tax questions, call 361-8858.

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The following organizations will help with income tax preparation for free if your income is under a certain amount or for a nominal fee based on your income. For times and information contact 211 or visit the website, www.makeworkpay.com

Butler County United Way
323 N. 3rd St., Hamilton, OH 45011

Miami University
E. High St & Talawanda Rd, Oxford Oh 45056

Middletown Community Center
800 Lafayette Ave., Middletown, OH 45044

SELF
1790 S. Erie Hwy., Hamilton, OH 45011

Workforce One of Butler County
4631 Dixie Hwy, Fairfield, OH 45014

Zion Global Ministries
9180 Cincinnati Columbus Rd, West Chester, OH 45069

Third Grade News

Mrs. Newell's Third Grade classroom has had some excitement this week. One of the fish in our aquarium had babies. They are very tiny but fun to watch swim around in the water. We look forward to seeing them grow.

If you are making vacation plans for Spring Break, it will start on Monday, March 29 and run through Monday, April 5. Classes will resume on Tuesday, April 6.



The Green Corner

Precycling

By Tatiana Brown and Lacey Albright
Ms. Larsen's Green Team

To precycle you can use cloth instead of disposable diapers for babies. Did you know that baby's diapers create 6.5 million tons of trash each year? A cloth diaper can be used over and over by being washed. It saves you money and saves our community.

Water Pollution

By Cameron Russell and Dustin Skinner
Ms. Larsen's Green Team

We think homeowners should stop using weed killers. It gets down underground into our water. These chemicals get into the ground and pollute groundwater. When it rains, the chemicals can wash into streams creating polluted runoff. Anything you pour down the drain or dump in the water pollutes it.

When you brush your teeth and leave the water on, you are wasting water. When you leave it off, you can save a lot of showers. Floods may cause sewers to overflow, forcing out dirty water that ends up in streams or ground water. Finally, a lot of water is just plain wasted by doing things like letting faucets run when you do not need to or taking extra long showers. Everyone needs to respect how precious our water is and learn to conserve it.

Of all the water on the planet, less than one percent of it is usable by people. The rest is mostly salt water or is frozen. You can use fresh water in lakes, streams, rivers and underground in pockets of soil and rock. About half the people in the United States get their water from underground sources. The trouble is people are wasting and polluting our fresh water. Since there is so little fresh water, it makes sense to protect what we have.