



The Egret Express

James B. Edwards Elementary school's weekly Email newsletter

Dates to Remember:

- March 10: Early Release Day
- March 23: Music Night/PTA Meeting
- March 25: Science Fair
- March 26: Teacher Work Day: No school

A Note from Mrs. Mitchell

Dear Parents,

I want to thank everyone for supporting our Family Reading Night! As you all know, literacy is one of the primary focuses for Charleston County School District. Reading to children regularly between the ages of 7 months and age 3 can enable them to begin school with a 32 million word advantage over their peers that are not read to at an early age!

Our "Hugs for Haiti" fund raiser netted \$1,272.00 for Water Missions International. Thanks again for supporting our efforts to aid those in need of clean water in Haiti. It was wonderful to see our students so excited about helping others.

Please remember that the front entrance is for buses only during the time periods of 7:00-7:50 AM and 2:00-2:50 PM. Car-riders should be dropped off in the car-rider line located on the side of the building. If it is absolutely necessary to park and walk your child in, the parking lot behind the kindergarten annex should be used. The car-rider line in the morning and afternoon moves smoothly when everyone follows the guidelines that have been developed. Remember that the safety of all children is our number one concern! The majority of our parents are using the car-rider line and following our guidelines. Thanks for your cooperation.

Some of our fifth graders will be performing under the direction of Mrs. All at the community day carnival sponsored by East Cooper Hospital on March 13, 2010. Their performance time is approximately 11:20 AM. I'm sure they would appreciate your support.

Have a safe weekend!

Mrs. Mitchell

The PTA Post

Your PTA Funds Keep Our Children Organized and Ready to Learn

May Day Wish List

So far.....only one parent has volunteered! Yikes, Please contact Mrs. All if you are willing to help on any sewing projects.

COSTUMES:

A. Ascots: We need 50 men's handkerchiefs, gathered at one end with a strip of lace sewn to bottom edge. The ties can be a string run through a casing above the gathering thread. (example will be provided)

B. 60 gathered calico skirts: Does anyone have any large pieces of small print fabric up in the attic? Would anyone be willing to purchase a bolt of calico from Wal Mart or other fabric source and donate it? We need enough to tear into 1 yard by 2 yard pieces – gathering the long end to 1 yard with elastic inserted into a casing. (examples will be provided) Skirts should be left un-hemmed so that 4th grade girls can learn to hem stitch as part of their colonial training. (to occur in a scheduled art class) 2 parent volunteers per class to assist in art room during this time.

Jump Rope for Heart

James B. Edwards collected \$2,025.00 for the American Heart Association through our Jump Rope for Heart donations. Much appreciation goes to third grade students Melissa and Morgan Henderson. They brought in the most donations with a combined amount of \$460.00. Great job everyone!!

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East Cooper Hospital Opening

The new East Cooper Hospital will have an old fashioned opening ceremony on Saturday, March 13 from 10:30-3:00pm. Public tours of the hospital will start at 11:00am. There will be roaming performers, live music and carnival treats. Plus, our very own JBE 5th graders will perform at 1:05. This event is open to the public so come check out our new neighbors.

Yearbook Pictures Needed

Kathye Wilson, our yearbook guru, is looking for yearbook pictures. Do you have some photos from field trips or class events? What about our recent snowfall? If so, please email them to Kathye at nbscmom@gmail.com.

Miscellaneous Tidbits

- 1) A Webkinz stuffed animal was left at the Book Fair during Reading Night. If you have a youngster missing this item please contact Sally Pedersen in the library.
- 2) Wednesday, March 3 is World Math Day. Tell your teacher you would like extra math homework to help celebrate.
- 3) Please note that traffic on Hospital Drive has the right of way. If you are traveling on Von Kolnitz and crossing Hospital Drive, they DO NOT have a stop sign. Traffic is only going to increase next month when the hospital opens so please make a mental note.

March 13: 11th Annual Shuckin in the Park Oyster Roast, Old Santee Canal Park (Monck's Corner) 1-6pm. Advanced Tickets \$3/\$5 at the door. For more information visit www.oldsanteecanalpark.org

March 20: 2010 Water Missions International Walk for Water. Cannon Park, 10:00am. For more information visit: www.watermissions.org.