



February 25, 2005

Dear Families,

This Spring weather has been wonderful, but we continue to have many children out sick. If your child has a fever, please be sure they stay home for 24 hours once the fever is gone. We are doing our best to ensure coughing mouths are covered and hands are kept clean here at school. Please call the office at 503-465-8882 and leave a message informing us of the reason for your child's absence. If your child is up to it and you are able to pick up work, let us know and teachers will prepare some papers that can be done at home in their absence.

Uniforms:

Students now have the option of wearing either khaki or navy blue pants/skirts. We will continue to ask that children wear either solid navy or solid white shirts/blouses with collars. The exception to this is that children may wear any of our "Arthur Academy" logo shirts/sweatshirts at any time. Please do your best to keep to these guidelines and remember - no jeans please.

Spring Carnival

The RAAPO (Reynolds Arthur Academy Parent Organization) is sponsoring an all-school family Spring Carnival event on **Friday, April 22 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.** Please mark your calendars for an evening of food, raffles, carnival games and even a chance to see newly born goats. The Terzis family has generously offered their "barn" and property for what promises to be a very fun event and a chance for us all to get to know each other better.

The success of these gatherings depends on the help each of you can give. Parents will be calling you to ask how you would like to participate – helping to serve food, donating raffle items, taking a shift playing games, setting up or cleaning up. Please do what you can to help the parents who have already been working hard to organize our carnival.

LAST CHANCE! Registration for Fall, 2005:

If you have a younger child who will be entering our Kindergarten in the Fall, you must complete an application **before March 1**. You may get an enrollment application from me or on our website at www.arthuracademy.org. I have 13 siblings enrolled and we will be having a lottery for the remaining openings in Kindergarten. We also have started a waiting list for next year's 1st, 2nd and 3rd grades. Many of our new enrollments come from referrals made by all of you. Thank you for spreading positive news about our wonderful little school!

Food Drive:

Our children brought in 136 pounds of canned food during our food drive. Thanks to Kindergartener Gabrielle Mengis and her mom for delivering our donations to SnoCap agency.

Our Website:

I'm happy to say that our website is now a source of updated information for you. Each newsletter that I write will be posted, as well as the monthly lunch menu from the district. It will also be used to post current news releases that are applicable to our school. Visit us at www.arthuracademy.org

Volunteers:

We still need volunteers to help out during our lunchtime on Wednesdays from 11:15-12:00. Please let me know if this is something that you can fit into your schedule once a week and would like to do. Thanks to the parents who have been able to volunteer before school and at lunch. It really helps us out.

Scrip:

Scrip sales have been sluggish, so I've attached an order form to make it even easier for you. Bring your order to school on Monday mornings and your scrip will be delivered at school Friday morning. This program has the potential to bring in quite a bit of money for our school playground and hot lunch equipment, without you having to buy or sell anything extra. Just buy Scrip for the stores you regularly shop at and use it just like gift certificates! The participating stores then give us a percentage of the sales.

Mad Science Returns!

Back by popular demand, we will be sponsoring another session of Mad Science classes this Spring. More information and dates will be sent home soon.

Thank you for sending your children to us each day ready to learn. It's hard to believe how fast the year is going and that Spring break is just around the corner.

Be healthy,

Peggy Concillo, Principal/Kindergarten Teacher

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