

**Intervention: TCAP...**

Mr. P will continue to use DEA probes that we started before spring break during class and intervention. These strategies, along with teacher-led class activities, will re-focus students on states assessed skills where we have a class-wide need in math, literacy, and science. Exit slips have given Mr. P direction for SS probes, which are also available on DEA. During Intervention, students with YELLOW SLIPS will go to STATION A for additional, specific probes aimed at TCAP skills where our DEA benchmark #3 data discussions have highlighted needs for improvement. GREEN SLIPS on the board will send those students to STATION B to work on some specific advanced skills. Our hope is that these interventions will help all students move forward on the always-important TCAP test. TCAP begins on April 23. Watch for more important TCAP information in each Tuesday Note Home. Remember, TCAP is our Super Bowl for sixth grade and we are training! GO TEAM PARSONS!

**TCAP****4-H Interactive Exhibit Winners...**

The following students placed in their respective categories. First place winners will participate in the county-level contest later this month.

**Animal Science (Poultry):** William Hoyt – Raising Chickens: 1<sup>st</sup>

**Food Science:** Jake Davenport – Marshmallow Madness: 1<sup>st</sup>; Eleanor Shippen – Fridge Pickles: 1<sup>st</sup>

**Photography:** Coco Wang – Cameras: 1<sup>st</sup>

**Horticulture/Garden:** Ian Marshall – Lawn Care: 1<sup>st</sup>

**Electric:** Robert Brown – Conserve Electricity: 1<sup>st</sup>

**Performing Arts/Recreation:** Devyn Paulk - Cello Care 1<sup>st</sup>; Sylvan Wiebe – Dance: 1<sup>st</sup>; Alandra McMillan – Violins: 2<sup>nd</sup>; Christanie Tyus – Acting: 2<sup>nd</sup>; Erickia Yokley – Dance: 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Line & Design:** Cheyenne Preston – Making A Bracelet: 1<sup>st</sup>; Kade Quinn – Carry Cords: 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Consumer Ed/Economics:** Ella Halbert – Save Time and Money: 1<sup>st</sup>

**Environmental Science:** Caitlyn Barnard – Environmental Awareness: 1<sup>st</sup>

**Red Meigs Moolah...**

Show Mr. P that you are super interested in giving your best effort! **Details on pp. 6!**

## **Pi Day...**

Fourteen students participated in the annual pi Day t-shirt contest! Caitlyn, Robert, Ella, Bennett, Ian, Alandra, Devyn, Cheyenne, Kade, Walter, Eleanor, Coco, Sylvan, and Raegan all sported very cool pi day pride on 3.14!

## **Reward Day is Friday...**

The Third Nine Weeks' Effort Reward Day is Friday April 5. This Friday's reward is for appropriate student effort and behavior for the third nine weeks of school. All students who maintained at least a three or more on their effort grade in all classes and did not receive an office referral from January 7 – March 14 will be welcome to participate. We will run our assembly schedule on Thursday and Friday. The reward time will be from 1:15PM - 2:40PM. Students who are eligible to participate will have the opportunity to participate in sports and activities. Students will also have the opportunity to play Wii and X-box Connect games on large screens inside the gym. Students will also be welcome to bring and play their own portable electronic devices or board games in the gym or outside. There will also be concessions that may be purchased with Meigs Moolah or with cash. Students, who are not eligible to attend, remain in class to complete missing assignments, or to read. They will be supervised by sixth grade teachers. Congratulations to all the students who are eligible to participate Friday! Remember students to continue to pay it forward! Teachers have a new batch of Meigs Moolah and will be looking to reward students for exemplary behavior within the school and community! Remember the new iPad will be raffled off at the end of this nine weeks! It could be yours!

## **Due Dates...**

Details for all of these activities are being discussed in class this week. More information may be found on the class HW page. Check the Project Planner!

1. GREAT project due April 3.
2. Weathercast- initial draft is due on April 11. Final due April 22.
3. TCAP- April 23

## **From Mr. P...**

1. **TCAP will be April 23-26!**
2. April 1 is our kick-off of a unit of study on weather. The culmination of this unit will be a visit to or from a local meteorologist and student produced weathercasts!
3. Starting April 1, students will need to put in some extra time after school in preparation for the big TCAP test that will start on April 23. Mr. P will have a tutoring schedule available at that time for those interested.
4. Current 6<sup>th</sup> graders will need an updated Tennessee Immunization Certificate before attending seventh grade. Proof of two additional immunizations is required by state law: Tetanus-diphtheria-pertussis booster ("Tdap"): not required if a Td booster dose given less than 5 years before 7<sup>th</sup> grade entry is recorded

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on the DTaP/Td line. Verification of immunity to varicella; (2 doses or history of disease). Only proof of the two additional immunizations is required on the new immunization certificate, which will be attached to the certificate in your child's school record. Parents are encouraged to have children vaccinated this spring and provide the updated certificate to the school before students leave for summer break. Seventh grade students cannot attend school in August without an updated certificate on file at the school. Parents are encouraged to schedule a visit with the child's doctor or primary care provider for the immunizations. Immunizations may be available through the Metro Public Health Department if your child has TennCare, no insurance or insurance that does not pay for vaccines. Please provide the updated immunization certificate to the school by May 17th so your child has a smooth transition to 7th grade! For More Information, contact: MNPS Customer Service 259-INFO (4636)

## **MR. P'S STUDENT OF THE WEEK...**

**• APRIL 1-5, 2013**

**Sylvan Wiebe**

Be sure to read about Sylvan on the electronic "Student of Week" board in the classroom and on the web in the password protected area soon.

*Next week's student of the week. . .* **Coco Wang**

## **ITEMS TO BRING. . .**

- Red Tuesday Folder Signature Chart...

## **DATES TO REMEMBER...**

04.02.13 VSVS at 8AM...  
04.03.13 GREAT...  
04.05.13 Reward Day...  
04.05.13 Wear class SUPER shirt...  
04.05.13 GENERAL STORE...  
04.08.13 SPELLING TEST #30 & VOCABULARY TEST #30...  
04.11.13 First draft of weathercast DUE...  
04.23.13 TCAP

**Follow our Class!**



**25PTS: SECRET WORD = • SEE THE WEBSITE...**

**FOR ADDITIONAL NEWS ITEMS & INFO CHECK:**

<http://www.flyparsons.org/notehome.html>

## ON THE WEBSITE ONLY:

### EXTRA EXTRA EXTRA...

It pays to check the website, too...

This Week's SECRET WORD (April 2):

**25PTS: NOTE HOME SECRET WORD = "ATMOSPHERE"**

Mr. P's SECRET INFORMATION LEAK:

**[WWW.FLYPARSONS.ORG/EVERYBODYSOMEBODY.HTML](http://WWW.FLYPARSONS.ORG/EVERYBODYSOMEBODY.HTML)**

### TEAM SHIRTS...

Our class will wear our super-cool class shirts on Friday, April 5. Be stylin' that day! We will wear them again on Friday, April 12. The class shirts show just how cool our class really is!



### [GRADESPEED]: CHECK IT OUT...

**UPDATE!** Gradespeed.com will update by 7PM, April 9. The updates will reflect the past week. Late work has been recorded as of April 9. Notice any missing assignments? Please submit them each week with the Tuesday Folder Sheet.

### A SPECIAL COUPON...

Print and clip this coupon below for a special **REWARD**. To get the reward, please obtain a parent's signature that states your parent has checked gradespeed.com.

## COUPON

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Secret Word: \_\_\_\_\_

## TECH TIDBITS

Check out the following awesome website.

<http://mathisfun.com>



Mr. P's e-mail address is now accessible through this code on any smart phone, iPod, or iPad.

## Mr. P's SPOTLIGHT

Check out Mr. P's class website QR (quick response code). Use your smart phone to simple scan and presto; you're connected to [www.flyparsons.com](http://www.flyparsons.com).



## DID YOU READ THE ON-LINE PORTION?

Let Mr. P know and he will give you a special "NO HOMEWORK PASS" on Wednesday! If you did read the on-line portion, tell Mr. P by 8:30AM what's next on the Note Home (see below)!

**C**LEVER **C**ARTOON **C**ORNER...



# Mr. P's General Store!

Apr. 5

@12:00 PM



For a RED MEIGS MOOLAH, tell Mr. P first thing Wednesday, April 3 what is significant about the date. Hint: Mr. P's dad was born on April 3 1945.

## **MEIGS' MISSION STATEMENT...**

*We are an academic middle school for 5th to 8th grade students. Our mission is to provide a liberal arts curriculum that will allow our capable learners to perform at high standards of academic and social development.*

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