



CASE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

February/March 2014

MUSTANG MEMOS

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Dear Case Elementary Family Members,

Welcome to chilly February and hopefully a warmer March. This month's newsletter will feature February and March events month's. Please listen to our Friday, "All Call" for our weekly events and activities. Our Positive IB Word for the month of February is, "Reflective." We are encouraging students to be "reflective" in their thoughts and actions.

In the months of February and March, students will focus on their strengths and identify their learning goals. Please encourage your child to identify his or her 100 book reading goal, positive behavior goal, and attendance goal. Children who develop personal goals and create a plan to attain it will be amazed with their ability to reach their targets!!

Students in Grades Kindergarten through the Fifth have completed the District's Measures of Academic Progress or M.A.P. in reading and math. Your child's teacher will share your child's M.A.P. score with you. This is just one assessment that is used to show how your child has improved on their learning. Interim Night is scheduled for February 20 at 2:45 p.m. Please join us to discuss your child's progress. This is a great opportunity for you, your child, and teacher to reflect on your child's progress. February is "Sweet Heart Month" at Case Elementary.

Our staff is reflecting on our "acts of kindness" shown toward's each other. As apart of our community give back and act of kindness, Case students are invited to donate their pennies during the week of February 10. Our donations will be given to Akron Children's Hospital for the "Have a Heart, Do Your Part", for the care and treatment of children. Thank you in advance for your support as our school continues to give back to our community by helping others.

On February 21, students who have demonstrated leadership skills are invited to the Positive Behavior Dance held during the school day. I look forward to celebrating with your child.

In March, our theme is "Marching to School". Our attendance goal is 96%. Please encourage your child to come to school daily and be on time. Daily attendance, is a critical component to improved student learning.

Safety Reminders and District Expectations

- Please arrange your child's daily transportation home in the morning. Your child is more focused on his or her learning day when he or she is aware of your plans.
- Please pick up your child each day at 2:30 p.m. Your child looks forward to seeing you. Staff is unavailable to supervise your child after that time.
- During the cold months, please make sure your child has on a hat and gloves. If your child has lost his or her hat and gloves or other items, please check the schools lost and found located near the custodian's office. Jewelry, glasses, keys, and other smaller items are kept in the Main Office.
- Always sign in at the main office for your scheduled appointments to obtain a badge and notify the teacher of your arrival.
- As your child returns home or comes to school, please have your child cross at the corners of the street. Children are not to cross over the railroad tracks.

Thank you for your support and assistance in making Case Elementary a great place for developing student learners and life leaders.

Mrs. Hill-Jones
Principal

Please contact me through the school office at (330) 873-3353 or email me at shill@akron.k12.oh.us.

INTERIM PICK-UP - 2:45 to 6:30 THURSDAY February 20, 2014

Teachers will issue written progress reports at regular intervals during the school year. At the conference night, time is provided for all parents to discuss student progress with teachers.

It is the responsibility of parents to attend the parent/teacher



conference nights in order to be fully informed of their student's progress.

Please note that some staff may provide alternative dates, please check with your child's teacher to confirm his or her schedule.

CASE SCHOOL - SPIRIT

Case Spirit Day is held once a month.

For the next two months, Spirit Day will be on:

February 28, 2014 and March 28, 2014.

Students and Staff are encouraged to wear either a Case School T-Shirt, Polo, or a shirt with the school colors of Blue & White.

You may wear jeans, but they must be school appropriate. (*no holes or writing*).



LISTEN FOR THE ALL CALL



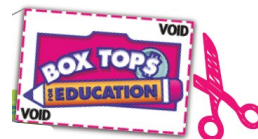
Every Friday the school office will make an all-call to our families to inform them of the upcoming events, school information and activities.

Please listen to the complete Friday All Call to provide you with the upcoming weekly news from Mrs. Jones!

Case Mission Statement

The mission of Case Elementary is to involve family, community, and school professionals in a team effort to prepare principled, caring children to become life-long learners and contributing members of a changing world, respecting the differences of all people.

BOX TOPS for EDUCATION



This is an easy way to earn cash for our school. Look for the pink Box Top on hundreds of products. Cut out the box top symbol and adhere it to a collection sheet. There is one on the back of the newsletter. Please send the completed sheet to the Main Office. Each box top symbol is worth 10¢ to our school.



Win a VIP package for 4 to an Akron Rubber Ducks game. Package includes 4 tickets, a VIP tour of Canal Park, \$30 in Duck Bills to spend at the park, and a ceremonial First Pitch for one lucky person. Raffle tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. See Mrs. Victor to make a purchase. Tickets will also be available at the PTA Chuck E. Cheese night on 2/13/14.

PBS/IB Word of the Month - February

REFLECTIVE:

To give thoughtful consideration to their own learning and experiences.

They are able to assess and understand their strengths and limitations in order to support their learning and personal growth.

QUOTE:

"I'm reflective only in the sense that I learn to move forward. I reflect with a purpose."

~Kobe Bryant

"The heart is the best reflective thinker."

~ Wendell Phillips

"Whenever you're writing something that's reflective, you have to put yourself through some sort of ordeal just to understand the way you're feeling."

~Damon Albarn

PBS/IB Word of the Month - March

BALANCED:

(of a person or state of mind) having no emotion lacking or too strong; stable.

(especially of food) having different elements in the correct proportions.

taking everything into account; fairly judged or presented.

keeping or showing a balance; arranged in good proportions.

QUOTE:

"The foundation stones for a balanced success are honesty, character, integrity, faith, love and loyalty." ~ Zig Ziglar

"Be aware of wonder. Live a balanced life - learn some and think some and draw and paint and sing and dance and play and work every day some."

~Robert Fulghum



MEETING DATES

February 24, 2014

March 24, 2014

April 28, 2014

at

6:00 p.m.

All meetings are held at the

Northwest

Branch

Library

1720 Shatto Ave.



CONGRATULATIONS, MRS. YOUNG!
WINNER OF THE PTA HELPING HAND AWARD!

Mrs. Young helps all of the Case Community every day! She is always pleasant, friendly, helpful, and courteous to all!

Thanks to Mrs. Young's continual help our office, students, staff, and community members are always given any and all assistance they need!

Mrs. Young is not afraid to step up and take charge of any and all projects given to her. She is a great asset to Case!



PLEASE JOIN OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR REMINDERS, UPDATES FUN FACTS And IMPORTANT NOTICES.

To reach the Case PTA please contact Craig Sampsel at csampsel@akron.k12.oh.us



Case Elementary ~ Looking Ahead!



- February 10-13,2014** Have a Heart Do You Part Change Bandit donations
(Students and staff to bring in penny donations)
- February 13, 2014** Valentine Parties (1:30 p.m.)
- February 13, 2014** Chuck E. Cheese Night 3-9 p.m. ~ Don't forget to mention Case Elementary!
- February 13, 2014** **Marco's Pizza Day!** Call 330-864-5500 for the North Hawkins location.
 (State the order supports Case Elementary and give a room number. Orders can be picked up or delivered!)
 (Great school fundraiser and family fun!)
- February 14, 2014** **Parent-Teacher Conferences (no school for students)**
- February 17, 2014** **President's Day (no school for students)**
- February 19, 2014** Market Day Pick-up 4:00-5:00 in school gym
- February 20, 2014** Interim Night 2:45 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.
- February 20, 2014** Readers are Leaders, Grades KG-2 (during Interim Pick-up)
- February 28, 2014** Spirit Day! Dress in School Colors (Blue & White)



- March 7, 2014** PTA 80's Dance @ Firestone High School Cafeteria from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- March 12, 2014** Last day to turn in Market Day order
- March 13, 2014** **Marco's Pizza Day!** Call 330-864-5500 for the North Hawkins location.
 (State the order supports Case Elementary and give a room number. Orders can be picked up or delivered!)
 (Great school fundraiser and family fun!)
- March 26, 2014** **Spring Pictures. (students may DRESS UP — no holes, logos, or open-toed shoes)**
- March 28, 2014** Spirit Day! Dress in School Colors (Blue & White)
- March 28, 2014** End of the 3rd Grading Period

Case Concerns

Please help us help our students and community. If you have any concerns or suggestions that you feel will help us, please let us know by returning this portion of this sheet to our Main Office. We value any input you may give us. We strive to make Case Elementary the best place it can be!

I have a: Suggestion Concern Complaint Compliment
 I do not require a response back Please respond back to me.

Name: _____ Student Name: _____

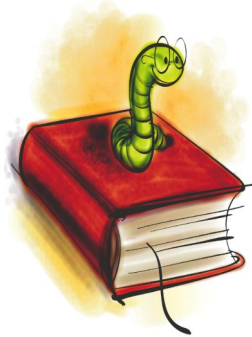
Contact Number: _____ Best Contact Time: _____

All information is confidential. Thank you for taking the time to complete this form.

Reading Family Fun and Events!

Please join us for these fun events held at Case!

HUNGRY FOR READING



Thank you to all the families that signed up for our literacy event, *Hungry for Reading*, which will be held on interim pick-up night, February 20th from 2:45-6:30. Participants will have a conference with their teacher, have a private 100 Book Challenge coaching session, and will go to the gym for activities and pizza. Families will also have a chance to win a gift basket. We are looking forward to an evening of fun and learning as we work together to encourage our readers. We look forward to seeing you at Case Elementary during our interim night!

Scholastic Book Fair

March 17-21, 2014

Save your pennies and buy some great books and gifts at our Scholastic Book Fair to be held in the Case LRC. We encourage everyone, including family members, to come and browse our large selection of inventory. There are books and gifts for young and old! A good book can lead to a powerful adventure, a wonderful meal, history past and in the making, and so much more!

Keep an eye out for even more information on this wonderful event. There will be at least one day where we are open later so that our wonderful family members can shop later. We look forward to seeing everyone at this fantastic event. At Case, we truly believe Readers are Leaders!



Who doesn't love popcorn? We have a new, tasty fundraiser that will be running from March 2, 2014 to March 22, 2014. NOMNOM Popcorn Company has an assortment of over 40 different flavors of popcorn available! Sizes range from 9 oz to a 2 gallon tin—including a 40 party favor bag collection, great for room and birthday parties! All orders are made fresh to order! 3 days after the sale ends (March 22) a local company in Canal Fulton will make your order and deliver it to the school.

This on-line fund raiser can be accessed anytime—even after the end date. If you order after the end date, your order will not be delivered until the end of our next run (April 21, 2014 to May 12, 2014). You can have friends, family, neighbors, and more order at anytime. We will be sending out information closer to the sale date with our ordering codes and more. The school receives a portion of the proceeds from sales. This fun and tasty fundraiser is as easy as pie!



There are a wide variety of flavors available, including Deluxe Pizza, Spicy Taco, Birthday Cake, Caramel Nut, Cookies and Cream, Mama's Apple Pie, Peppermint Bark, Kettle Pop & Dark Chocolate, Watermelon, Rootbeer Float, and much, much more.

Go on-line to www.nomnompopcorncompany.com for a listing and description of flavors. This is no ordinary popcorn!



SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL



2nd Annual 5K & 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk

Sponsored by and for the benefit of Case Elementary School PTA

Race Participant Registration ~ complete one form for each

First Name:		Last Name:	
Date of Birth:			
Address			
City		Zip	
Home Phone		Cell Phone	
e-mail			
Form of payment			
<input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Credit (see Mr. Sampsell to process payment or provide information below)			
# _____		Exp. Date _____	
CVC# _____		Name on Card _____	
RACE Choice			
<input type="checkbox"/> 5K 18 & over \$25 (increases to \$30 after Feb. 21, 2014)			
<input type="checkbox"/> 5K 17 and under \$15 (increases to \$20 after Feb. 21, 2014)			
<input type="checkbox"/> 1 mile all ages \$10			
<input type="checkbox"/> Family of Case \$150 (includes family last name on back of race shirt and registration for immediate family members living in same household. Please fill out a registration form for each family member and attach with payment)			
T-Shirt Size (all adult shirts are men's sizing)			
<input type="checkbox"/> XXL-Adult <input type="checkbox"/> XL-Adult <input type="checkbox"/> L-Adult <input type="checkbox"/> M-Adult <input type="checkbox"/> S-Adult			

Waiver / Release of Liability

I know that running [volunteering for] a road race is potentially hazardous activity, which could cause injury or death. I will not enter and participate unless I am medically able and properly trained, and by my signature, I certify that I am medically able to perform this event, and am in good health, and I am properly trained. I agree to abide by any decision of a race official relative to any aspect of my participation in this event, including the right of any official to deny or suspend my participation for any reason whatsoever. I attest that I have read the rules of the race and agree to abide by them. I assume all risks associated with running in this event, including but not limited to: falls, contact with other participants, the effects of the weather, including high heat and/or humidity, traffic and the conditions of the running surface, all such risks being known and appreciated by me. I understand that bicycles, skateboards, baby joggers, roller skates or roller blades, animals, are not allowed in the race. I also understand that the use of personal music devices and/or headphones is strongly discouraged at this race and I assume the risks if I choose to use them. I will abide by all race rules. Having read this waiver and knowing these facts and in consideration of your accepting my entry, I, for myself and anyone entitled to act on my behalf, waive and release the Case Elementary PTA, the city of Akron, and the Road Runners Club of America, all event sponsors, their representatives and successors from all claims or liabilities of any kind arising out of my participation in this event, even though that liability may arise out of negligence or carelessness on the part of the persons named in this waiver. I grant permission to all of the foregoing to use my photographs, motion pictures, recordings or any other record of this event for any legitimate purpose.

Please turn in all forms to Mr. Sampsell or place in his mailbox in main office.

Case Elementary PTA Events!



The **2nd Annual Race for Case** is here!!! The event is scheduled for Saturday, May 3rd. Get your registration in early and save some money as rates increase as we approach race day. Fill out the registration form on the next page and start your training. Invite your family and friends to an outstanding event. Last year we had over 500 participants and this year it will only be better!



CHUCK E. CHEESE'S.

CASE PTA CHUCK E. CHEESE NIGHT!
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2014
3:00 P.M.—9:00 P.M.

Our PTA will draw 5 student names at this evening event for the Ticket Blaster. That's your chance to grab as many as you can in a whirlwind of tickets.



Big shoulder pads, hair gel, head bands, leg warmers, bright colors and more! Oh yeah, baby! Like, Totally! The 80's are back! How gnarly is that?



Join us on Friday, March 7, 2014 from 6-8 p.m. at Firestone High School for our 80's dance! There will also be a pizza sale and a cake walk! Get ready to rock-n-roll 80's style!

Case Calm!



Case Calm is something wonderfully simple that we are implementing to help our students get in a mindset for learning.

Case Calm is techniques that help us get our mind and body ready to learn. We learn what it looks like, sounds like, and feels like to be focused and regulate our emotions and attention so our energy can go toward learning.

One of the easiest Case Calm techniques is a deep breath. When the children take a deep breath, it reminds them to get in the present moment and focus their attention where it needs to be. You can use Case Calm at home by encouraging your child to take a deep breath before starting homework or when your child seems scattered, anxious, angry, or unfocused. It really works! Please try this technique with your student and yourself. You might be surprised how calm and relaxed you truly feel.

TIPS FOR PREVENTING & DIFFUSING STUDENT CONFLICTS:

MANY PARENTS ARE CONCERNED ABOUT TEACHING THEIR CHILDREN HOW TO PROTECT THEMSELVES. HOWEVER, YOU NEED TO REMEMBER THAT WHEN YOUR CHILD IS FACED WITH A SITUATION WHERE THEIR SAFETY IS IN CONCERN THEIR SURVIVAL INSTINCTS WILL AUTOMATICALLY KICK IN AND THEY WILL REACT APPROPRIATELY. EVEN IN DEFENSE CLASSES, SUCH AS KARATE, THEY TEACH THEIR STUDENTS TO AVOID GETTING PHYSICAL UNLESS THERE IS NO OTHER WAY. IF ONE TEACHES THEIR CHILD TO HIT SOMEONE ELSE WHEN THEY ARE IN ANY TYPE OF ARGUMENT OR DISAGREEMENT WITH ANOTHER THAT WILL BE THEIR FIRST RESPONSE AND THEY WILL NOT LEARN HOW TO WORK THROUGH CONFLICTS WITH OTHERS. HERE ARE SOME TIPS THAT WILL HELP YOU TEACH YOUR CHILD HOW TO DIFFUSE A CONFLICT:

- **EMPHASIZE EARLY ON THAT NO BULLYING OR ANY OTHER FORM OF PHYSICAL OR VERBAL VIOLENCE WILL BE ACCEPTED.**
- **ENCOURAGE THEM TO TALK TO A STAFF MEMBER OR ADULT ABOUT ANY FORM OF BULLYING, PHYSICAL OR VERBAL VIOLENCE THAT OCCURS TO THEM. DO NOT LET THEM JUST IGNORE THE SITUATION. OFTEN, STUDENTS COME TO PHYSICAL ALTERCATIONS OVER THEIR FEELINGS BUT HAVE NEVER SPOKEN TO ANYONE ABOUT WHAT WAS HAPPENING. WE CANNOT HELP IF WE DO NOT KNOW ABOUT A SITUATION.**
- **TEACH THEM THE IMPORTANCE OF WALKING AWAY UNLESS THEY ARE IN A LIFE THREATENING SITUATION AND ARE UNABLE TO GET AWAY. STRESS THAT VIOLENCE WILL NOT HELP THEM BECOME SUCCESSFUL IN THEIR LIVES.**
- **TEACH THEM HOW TO TAKE A DEEP BREATH IN AND COUNT TO TEN TO HELP THEM TO THINK MORE CLEARLY ABOUT THE SITUATION.**
- **GIVE THEM COPING MECHANISMS THAT THEY CAN DO TO HELP THEM DEAL WITH THEIR FRUSTRATION SUCH AS:**
 - **READING A BOOK/DRAWING A PICTURE**
 - **GOING FOR A WALK**
 - **ANY PHYSICAL ACTIVITY—RUNNING, CLEANING, CLIMBING—JUST NOT PHYSICAL AGGRESSION**
 - **TAKE EVERY OPPORTUNITY TO BOOST EACH CHILD'S CONFIDENCE.**
 - **HAVE A DISCIPLINE PLAN READY FOR WHEN PROBLEMS ARISE.**
 - **SHOW YOUR CHILD HOW TO RESOLVE CONFLICTS BY TALKING WITH THEM THROUGH SITUATIONS AND LISTENING TO THEIR POINTS OF VIEW.**



Volunteer Opportunities

Case PTA is running their after-school enrichment program May 6-29th from 2:30—3:30 p.m. We are looking for individuals with any hidden skills or talents that can help us different activities.

We are looking for non-sport related activities. Can you do crafts? Knit? Scrap-booking? How about Dance? Tai Chi? Yoga? Qi Gong? Meditation? Anything you think might be useful and fun.

Please let us know! Simply fill out this form and return to the Main Office of Case Elementary by **March 13, 2014** so that we are able to get a good base together of our classes together.

Name: _____ Contact Number: _____

Student Name: _____ Room Number: _____

Best time to contact me: _____ or email me at: _____

I would be interested in volunteering to teach the following: _____

Give a brief description of activity:



We want to hear from you! We need to know!

We try to keep everyone informed via our newsletter and weekly all-calls. We would like to know if you could further support us by answering a few questions. We ask that you please return this portion of the newsletter back to the main office no later than **March 5, 2014**.

As always, we appreciate the time you are taking to help us help you.

I WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE THIS NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL INSTEAD.

My email address is _____

I AM INTERESTED IN SIGNING UP FOR HOME ACCESS SO THAT I CAN KEEP TRACK OF MY STUDENT'S GRADES, CONTACT TEACHERS, VIEW ATTENDANCE, AND OTHER ITEMS.

My email address is: _____

I prefer the following as my password: _____

I WOULD LIKE TO SEE INFORMATION ABOUT THE FOLLOWING PUT IN THE NEWSLETTER:

I DO NOT FEEL I AM BEING KEPT INFORMED AS I NEED TO BE. I WOULD LIKE TO SUGGEST THAT YOU ALSO DO THE FOLLOWING TO HELP KEEP ME INFORMED:

Case Elementary School

2nd Marking Period ALL "A" HONOR ROLL LIST

4th GRADE

Rebeka Lile
Thomas Patalon

5th GRADE

Evan Rhoads
Jayla Strickland

2nd Marking Period

3.5 HONOR ROLL LIST

3rd GRADE

Ariyana Baines
Cameron Bartek
Marcel Boyce, Jr
Jason Calhoun, Jr.
John Grass
Ka;mirra Heru
Janiya Jennings
Jacob Lattimer
Mary Lindsey
Alexus Marr
Da'von Moore
Nina Robinson
Rayshawn Shepherd
Bailey Swirsky
Lamyra Taylor
Rachel Wayt
Vincent Zhu

4th GRADE

Shyanne Brown
Briana Bunkley
Isaiah Carter
Loren Culp
Victoria Gary
Charles Johnson
Aurianna Lemonier
Taylor Lute
Howard Ryder
Tehran Stephens

5th GRADE

Autumn Austin
Lauren Beeson
Aviyon Boykin
Dominick Corn
La'zurae Gary
Cameron Hogan
Davontay Jennings
Kristina Lee
Taleyah Lewis
Makayla Marshall
Ciasia Ramsey
Kelsey Vonstein
Alexander Wagner
Jason Ware
Cayden Wright

Case Elementary School

2nd Marking Period 4.0 HONOR ROLL LIST

5th Grade

Charles Baumgartner

Ravyn Carter

Travelle Lewis

Clay Peets

2nd Marking Period

3.0 MERIT ROLL LIST

3rd GRADE

Keirra Ashley

Michael Barrow, Jr

Jaymhere Boykin

Tate Clevenger

Lucas DeOliveira

Chrisopher Foster

Jonathan Jones

Olyvia Lucas

Caleb Martinez

Jadie McCreery

Hayley Meeks

Taysia Nichols

Tamia Tilley

Kaleah Williamson

4th GRADE

Cody Brantley

Genesis Cunningham

Albert Difeo

Briana Horner

Cody Huffman

Davis Humphrey

Kiara Lee

Damarien Lewis

Megan Marsh

Armanii Miller

Sharen Mullis

Ja'kaira Polk

Jaelah Rigby

Summer Schlagenhauser

Kyle Smith

Evernyce Stephens

5th GRADE

Atrice Black

Christan Foster

Isaiah Fullen

Janiyha Harris

Tommy Higgins III

Bernice Hundley

Alexander Knight

Antoine Miller

Elijah Payne

Daron Postway

Dakarai Robinson

Teresa Szaraz



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COLLECTION SHEET

HOJA DE RECOPIACIÓN

HEY MOM!
Turn in completed sheets to the Box Tops coordinator at your child's school.

Mamá, entrega las hojas completadas al coordinador de Box Tops en la escuela de tu hijo.

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18	19	20
21	22	23

24	25
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