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Sageville Elementary

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Calendar Of Events

Friday, March 12

9:45 Late Start
Professional Learning
Scrip orders are due

Saturday, March 14

8:00 a.m. "School Speak"
@ the Forum to learn more
about school funding

Monday, March 16

Cub Scouts Pinewood Derby
7:00 PTC Meeting

Friday, March 20

9:45 Late Start
Professional Learning

Monday, March 23

Spring Picture orders due!

From the Desk of Miss Mac

Greetings Sageville families & friends,

I was delighted to be in Des Moines on Tuesday with **Mrs. Ann Johnson** and her husband to attend the Outstanding Iowa Teachers Recognition luncheon for her achievement in being one of the five finalists for the **Presidential Award for Excellence in Teaching Math & Science.**

Governor Branstad, Lt. Governor Kim Reynolds, and Brad Buck, director of the Iowa Department of Education, were also in attendance. I was able to sneak in a few comments about funding for schools in there!

Before you know it, **Spring Fling** will be here! It's time to be thinking of the silent auction. If you have items for the auction or any **baskets**, please send them to the school office. It will be difficult to top last year's selection, but I know we can do it. Remember to save **May 8th** on your calendar.

Sageville PTC is looking for two officers next year, President & Secretary. Please consider attending Monday's meeting at 7:00 p.m.

The school board adopted the calendar for next year, I've attached it to your email today and copies will go home next month.



Friday's Professional Learning

The focus will be on the Iowa Core in math.





Kierra and Clayton enjoy the wrap-up from learning a lot about Dr. Suess! Today the preschoolers sampled green eggs! Consensus was that Miss Laura is a great cook!

KCRG Weatherman Justin Gehrts was at Sageville. Ask any 2nd grader what they learned about flooding!



Counselor Corner-Mrs. Kaiser

During the week of March 9th – 13th I have been in third thru fifth grade. We have continued to work on life changes and loss. In third grade, we watched a video on grief when a loved one passes away. We also discussed questions revolving around a wake and funeral. In fourth grade, we watched a video of a young girl who lost her dad while serving in Iraq. We discussed what her coping skills were and generated a list of five coping skills that they could utilize in a time of need. In fifth grade the students learned the five stages of grief (denial, anger, bargaining, depression, and acceptance) by the theorist Elizabeth Kubler-Ross. The students also generated ideas of how they could move past and make themselves feel better when in one of the five stages. Next week I will be work-

ing with small groups.

Tips for Parents: Ways to decrease stress while grieving:

- * 35% decrease stress by writing thoughts and feelings
- * 35% decrease stress by talking into a tape recorder, listening decreased stress by another 5%
- * 25% decrease stress by walking the equivalency of a mile a day
- * 50% decrease stress by talking and sharing with people who don't judge or advise

<http://www.griefwatch.com>

DON'T MISS THE FESTIVAL!

Saturday, April 18, 2015
10:00AM - 2:00PM

Bring your whole family to the Dubuque Family STEM Festival! Experience over 50 FREE and FUN activities at this hands-on science, technology, engineering, and mathematics fair being held for your family.

NEW LOCATION!
Clarke University-Kehl Center
Dubuque, IA

AMAZING
ROBOTS

Open Enrollment forms will be available on Monday, March 16th at Sageville School or at the Forum. These applications must be filled out by May 1st!