

Donnelsville News

November/ December 2021

Upcoming Events

- Dec. 7- 2nd and 3rd Grade Music Programs at THS
- Dec. 8- Scheduled 2 Hr. Delay
- Dec. 9- 4th and 5th Grade music programs at THS
- Dec. 13-17 Right to Read Week at DV
- Dec. 17- End of grading period
- Dec. 18- Jan. 2 Christmas Break

Parent Corner

More often than not when I talk to students after Christmas and ask them what their favorite part was they mention family. Some kids go right to presents, because of course, they are kids. But many students remember best the quality TIME and family traditions that happen this time of year. This is what they will truly remember as they grow older.

Our kids need us. Not us with our phones in our faces. Not us buying everything they want. Not us rushing through the holidays to get them done. They need us. Our time. Our listening ears. Our affection. Our words of encouragement.

We know and love our own children best. Let's show them this Christmas by giving them our uninterrupted presence not just presents this Christmas. May God bless each of you and your families this holiday season.

~ Mr.B





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Mental Math

Every day we do live video announcements at Donnelsville. You can find our channel on YouTube-Donnelsville News. We have been doing Monday Math where we present a problem and the kids solve it and their class has the opportunity to call in and give us their answer. I have been doing some teaching and explaining how they could solve some of these problems mentally. At the link below, there are some mental math tips you could help your child with at home. It doesn't have to turn into a full blown lesson but just doing some simple things at home will help with your child's number sense and help alleviate some struggles in Math. <https://www.3plearning.com/blog/mental-math-strategies/>

Donnelsville Christmas Music Programs

Below you will find the schedule for our programs in a couple of weeks. All programs will take place in the Tecumseh High School auditorium. Students will arrive 15 minutes before their program and go to the band and choir rooms. Please send just one parent back with the students when they arrive and when you pick them up in those same spaces after the program. This helps cut down on congestion.



December 7-Tuesday

6:30pm- 2nd Grade

7:30pm- 3rd Grade

December 9- Thursday

6:30pm- 4th Grade

7:30pm- 5th Grade

What's Going on in our classrooms?

- The Fourth Grade gifted reading class is working on historical fiction book reports. We read *Number the Stars* in class to start off our unit. Then they had a pick an historical fiction book to read and complete the following activities on: a story map, a timeline of events in their story with events from the time period, a letter written to an historical figure of the time period citing concerns and opinions from the main character of their story and either a newspaper paper article or a quilt showing events and artifacts from the time period.
- Mrs. Gray's students have been working hard on mastering writing detailed complete sentences, using graphic organizers, and reading nonfiction texts. Now we are going to combine those skills by writing nonfiction reports. Each student chose a book that is right on their level and we are learning the process of writing a report together.
- Mrs. Savage's class is currently focusing on reading and dissecting expository text and identifying the author's point of view. We have been discussing the rights and responsibilities of good citizens, learning about the constitution and the branches of US government, and the importance of voting.
- All the classes have been working hard preparing for their Christmas music programs next week. Thank you Mrs. Enloe for all your hard work preparing them.
- Students in Mrs. Kottmyer's class are working on number sense daily with our "Number Talks." The student helper picks a number of the day and we think of all the ways to represent this number: word form, expanded form, standard form, tally marks, and even a drawing. This is a fun activity each day and really helps to build our math skills.
- Mrs. Cassell's 3rd grade class is working really hard on subtracting with regrouping in math and in reading we are crushing our AR reading! We are also ready to start working on multiplication arrays in math and we are still out getting our morning miles in each day!



Silly Stringing Mr.B



Crazy Sock Day



PBIS Dance Party

Instagram

Our Instagram page for Donnelsville_ Elementary

Positive Office Referrals

2nd Grade

Beckett, Brady
Bond, Joslynn
Brown, Annabell
Coons, Samuel
Copeland, Landon
Herrera, Javier
Kendall, Lucas
Lazarus, Natalie (2x)
Leighty, nolan
Massie, Reagan
Maxwell, Makaelyn
Means, Phoenix
Miller, Rylee
Nangle, Dorian
Neal, Harlow
Pascarella, Molly
Ratcliffe, kierrah
Rosas, Eduardo
Steele, Lily
Tarbutton, Jaxson
Vito, Dominic
Wilson, Emelia
Woelfer, Julianna



3rd Grade

Bailey, Skyler
Bellis, Hidayah
Charlton, Haley
Daniels, Levi
Demers, Alaina
Diamond, Jaxson
Foght, Brody
Gamber, Jamie (2x)
Garcia, Melanie (2x)
Gray, Alex (2x)
Hamilton, Avery
Jones, Liam

Leuck, Kayleigh
Lokai, Kash
Martin, Madison
McConnaughey, Brayden
McFarland, Hunter
Plut, Holland
Priest, Jaycee (2x)
Villegas, Genesis

4th Grade

Adams, Chance
Borrallles, Laila
Brigner, Kinleigh
Easterling, Nick
Massie, Cory
Maxwell, Logan
Myers, Daniel
Rosas, Yaribeth
Stephens, Karder
Thomas, Jailynn
Venable, Rilynn
Weaver, Avery

5th Grade

Al-rashidi, Fajr
Baldasare, Ashton
Clark, Hayden
DiMichele, Madi
Ehlinger, Esme
Kain, Jacob
Lipps, Nakayla
Massie, Louis (2x)
Mendez, Briana
Snyder, Kameron
Wilson, Daniel