

January Newsletter

Denmark Elementary School

Yearbook Cover Contest



Your child could be this year's memory book cover designer! Forms will be available in the Elementary School Office starting on January 7th. These forms will include detailed information on the cover contest as well as the paper to draw the cover on. Students will have until Friday, January 21st to complete and turn in their artwork to the office. Good luck to all and have fun!



Group Activity Photos on 1/6

Harmann Studios will be here on Thursday, January 6th at 8:00am to take our Group Activity Photos. This is for our Safety Patrol, Destination Imagination, School Store, Daily Buzz, Peace Keeping Kids, Battle of the Books, Fuel Up to Play 60, and Student Council students.

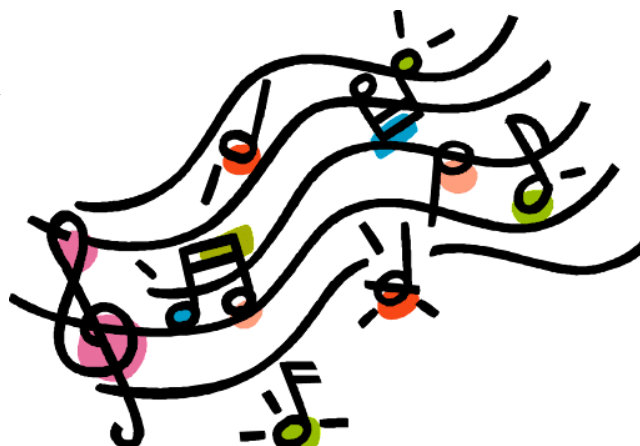
Join Treble Maker Choir!

Calling All Treble Makers!

Are you in 3rd, 4th or 5th Grade? Do you enjoy singing, dancing, and making music with your friends? Come join the Treble Maker Choir! This group will be meeting after school from 3:30-4:30 every Tuesday starting February 1st with a concert on April 21st at the Performing Arts Center in the High School PAC.

A letter with all the details will be given out soon in music class after the holiday break. Join Treble Makers!

Ms. Carley and
Mrs. McMonagle



Save the Date for Upcoming Concerts:

- *5th Grade concert is February 24th*
- *4th Grade Concert is March 24th*

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Inside vs. Outside Recess & Winter Gear

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Denmark Elementary School uses the website www.wbay.com for consideration of inside/outside recess. If the “real feel”/wind chill temperature is at or above -5 degrees, the children will stay outside at bus arrival time in the morning and have outside recess at the lunchtime break. Teachers who wish to go outside at grade level recesses may choose to go out for a short time if the wind chill temperature is between -5 and -10 degrees. When the wind chill is colder than -10 degrees, students will not be allowed to go outside for recess.

Now that the cold weather has arrived, students are expected to wear a jacket, snow pants, boots, hats and gloves/mittens every day outside for recess.

If you are unable to provide these winter essentials for your children, we are more than happy to provide them for your students. Please contact the office at (920) 863-4050 if you are in need and we will make arrangements. The items we provide are expected to stay at school in the child's locker. Thank you for your cooperation to keep our students safe and warm during this winter season!

Check the Lost & Found

Are you missing some items from home? We have TONS of items in our lost & found at the Elementary School. The lost and found is in the entrance where the students come in from recess. Please ask your students to check the lost and found if they are missing any items.

Student Council Hygiene Supply Collection

Scrub a Dub Dub

The Elementary School Student Council will be collecting hygiene items in January. Please send shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, tooth brushes, bar soap, hand towels and washcloth type items to school with your child January 17-21st. These items will go to the Denmark Community Cupboard to help those in need during the New Year.

Thank you for your help!



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Fuel Up to Play 60 News

Before the holiday break, the Fuel Up to Play 60 leaders made Strawberry Mint Smoothies for the entire student body at lunch time. The leaders were promoting a healthy, delicious and easy way to get dairy into one's daily food intake. The recipe is below but we found that most of the students liked just a little hint of mint.....not too

much. 😊



Smoothie Recipe

- 8 ounces frozen strawberries
- 1/2 cup vanilla yogurt
- 1 cup skim milk
- 1 tablespoon honey
- 5-10 leaves fresh mint



School Counselor's Corner

What are we learning in Guidance in January?

1st grade: We will be learning about how to handle our anger. It is okay to feel angry but we do not hurt others, ourselves, or things.

2nd grade: We will be learning about how to be a kind and respectful citizen.

3rd grade: We will continue to talk about choices and what to do when we need to take medication. It is important to ask an adult.

4th grade: We will be learning about patience and respect for others.

5th grade: We will be learning about our listening skills and reputation.

The Great Kindness Challenge will be held January 24-28.

Dress up days will be:

Monday- It's your job to be kind (career day)

Tuesday- Dream of a kind world (Pj day)

Wednesday- Color your world with kindness (wear the color of your grade)

1st-red

2nd-orange

3rd-yellow

4th-green

5th-blue

Staff-purple

Thursday-Wear Be Kind attire

Friday- Team up and be kind (sports wear)





Tips for parents

It has come to my attention, with being closed over the pandemic, many kids lack the skill they need to stay safe around strangers. Here are some tips to have a discussion with your student about how to stay safe.

Say it early, often, and very clearly.

- Tell your child: “Never go with anyone unless you come and ask me.” Or, “I will tell you ahead of time if you’re going with anyone other than me.”

Talk about uncomfortable feelings.

- Ask kids about any times they’ve felt strange, “off,” or uncomfortable, and to describe how that felt.
- Thinking through these uncomfortable situations now can help keep your child safe later. If your child seems fearful or starts to get anxious while you’re talking, back off a bit. This is a lot for kids to take in or express. Break down your child’s present feelings and talk about them. Then, later on, you can go back and talk through the uncomfortable scenario more.

Talk about “tricky people.”

- The idea of strangers can be confusing for some kids. And some unsafe people are, unfortunately, people your kids actually know—people they may see on a regular basis.
- One way to explain who to watch out for is by talking about “tricky people.” When your child is young, say, “Most people are pretty good. But some people have problems and they’re not so good. It’s my job to protect you from them.”
- As kids get older, though, start to mention that they are in charge of their safety, too. And if they ever feel like someone, whether they know the person or not, is tricky, they can come to you to talk about it.

Be specific.

- Explain to your child some of the uncomfortable things unsafe people may do. For instance, they may pay a lot of attention to kids and even give them presents. They may be physical with kids even when kids ask them to stop.
- Unsafe people may also use inappropriate words to comment on how kids look. And unsafe strangers may ask a child for directions or to help them look for something, like a lost dog.



Role-play.

- Make sure your child knows it's OK to say no to people. It doesn't matter if your child knows the person or not.
- First, talk through what your child can do in situations that involve strangers. For example, what if the manager at the skating rink asks your child to carry something out to his car?
- Then, act out and role-play the situations that involve people your child may know, too. In other words, what if an unfamiliar neighbor invites your child in for a snack? Or if a relative keeps asking your child for "hugs and kisses"?

Make kids the "boss" of their body.

- It's crucial to tell kids that no one is allowed to touch their body in a way that makes them uncomfortable. That especially goes for bathing suit areas. If your child has to have physical exams with a doctor, attend the appointment and ask the doctor to explain what they're doing, to give more meaning to the exam.
- Many pediatricians and doctors will make a note to mention how kids are the "boss" of their bodies at each annual physical exam. Even if they don't, you can ask them to—and you can instill the message at home.

Give simple steps for scary situations.

- Have a list of steps your child can take the moment an uncomfortable situation happens. If your child is feeling weird at all, the following steps are appropriate:
- Step 1: Loudly say, "NO!" (For kids who may have been constantly told to use their "inside voice," this can feel unnatural.)
- Step 2: Run away. (Kids may not be used to being allowed to run from adults. Emphasize how important this is.)
- Step 3: Find a trusted adult. (If your child is out in public and can't find you, tell your child to look for a mom who has kids with her.)

Talk about online stranger safety.

- Personal safety extends to your child's digital life, too, starting at ever-younger ages. It's important to teach kids what's appropriate and inappropriate online, where it can sometimes feel like anything is allowed.
- Create and instill boundaries where technology is concerned. And learn more about how to protect your child against online predators .

Keep the safety conversation going.



NEWS FROM FOOD SERVICE

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Thank You ALL for your participation in the School Meal Program.

Updates:

~Visit our Menu Web Site – denmark.nutrislice.com

~Free Breakfast & Free Lunch is offered daily for the Operating School Days per USDA Funding.

~Milk Break is offered daily for the Calendar School Days The Cost for this is \$.45 per day MILK BREAK IS NOT FREE.

~If your Child brings a Cold Lunch & wants a Milk, that Cost is also \$.45 That is Not Free.

~Free and Reduced Applications are available all year, please contact Kristi Buhr or see School Web Site. PLEASE fill out regardless if free meals are offered

~If you Change your E-Mail Address or Move Please notify the School Secretaries so Changes can be made.

~PLEASE KEEP FAMILY ACCOUNT BALANCES IN THE POSITIVE.

~Please contact Jody Behringer FSD, 863-4220 for any questions

~Please have any Payments for the Food Service turned in by 8:30 a.m. daily so it can be credited for that day. PAYMENTS CAN BE MADE THRU THE PARENT PORTAL IN INFINITE CAMPUS Make checks payable to “DENMARK SCHOOL DISTRICT”

~PLEASE PUT PAYMENTS IN AN ENCLOSED ENVELOPE MARKED WITH THE HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD & STUDENT(S) NAME. THANK-YOU



Dear Families,

During the ups and downs of the past couple of school years, one thing is certain: teachers and students need more help than ever before. Box Tops for Education is a fast and easy way for you to support our school.

The Box Tops program has been around for over 25 years, and it really can make a difference. In fact, Box Tops for Education has helped give almost **one billion dollars to schools since 1996**. In 2019, the program evolved to become digital, giving participants the ability to earn for any school across the country with just the touch of a button.

And now, Box Tops is building on its longstanding commitment to education by giving participants an easy way to help schools in need. The Box Tops app recently added functionality that allows you to search for schools that could use a little extra help, so you can help give students in low-income schools the opportunity to succeed.

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS: Buy participating products and use the Box Tops mobile app to scan your store receipt. The app identifies eligible products and automatically adds Box Tops to your designated school's earnings online. Even if you're shopping online or doing grocery pickup, you can still submit your digital or email receipt and earn Box Tops. Twice a year, our school gets a check!

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See a list of participating products at
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Your earnings may seem small, but they really do add up. The more people that participate, the bigger the impact we can make. So let's give our teachers the support they need and give more kids the opportunity to dream. **Little by little, we can help make a big difference.**

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