

# Sedgwick School Community Newsletter

March 20, 2008

## Thank You!

We would like to thank Peter & Tiffany Dauk and Carl Dannenberg for all their volunteer time and work in this year's pee wee basketball program. The program provided the opportunity for grades 1-4 kids to learn basketball skills, get exercise, and most of all, HAVE FUN.

## SCHOOL YEARBOOK

### LAST CHANCE TO BUY!

If you plan to purchase the school yearbook, you only have until Friday, March 28. Sales will end that day. The cost is \$7.00 per book and order/money envelopes are available in Mrs. Grindle's office

In recognition of the first day of Spring, tomorrow's dress theme will be based on Spring. So, dress your child in pastels. You could also be creative and include flowers.

## Math Tutor Needed

We are looking for a volunteer math tutor to work with a fifth grade student on a regular basis at least a few times a week. Please contact Dr. Buckingham if you are interested in helping out in this way.

## Report Cards Sent Home Tomorrow

Report cards for all students will be sent home tomorrow, March 21. Please check with your child to make sure you get his or hers.

## PTF Volleyball

Looking for a fun way to exercise in the evening? Join the PTF volleyball group. They meet every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the gym.

## Behavior

In order to be proactive as we move into Spring, students and staff have recently reviewed behavioral expectations and responses. It should be clear to all students and parents that all incidents referred to the office will be handled according to the **behavior rubric on the back of this newsletter.**

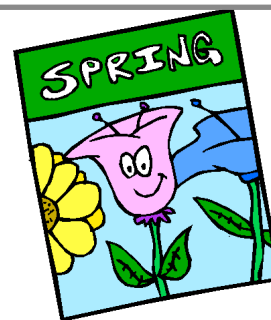
## Box Tops Store

We still need donations of items for our Box Tops store. The items should be inexpensive. The dollar stores have a variety of items to choose from.

## Healthy Me Day March 27 ~ Please Join Us!

Some of the activities that will be offered will be: Search & Rescue, the Bug Lady, ATV Safety, Karate, Portion Control, an Ambulance Demo. and much more. Parents and the community are invited to attend. Contact Mrs. Grindle at 359-5002.

A school-wide breakfast and lunch will be served that will include an assortment of nutritious foods. If your child does not typically eat their meals at school, please consider signing them up for this special breakfast and lunch. The cost: breakfast \$1.00 and lunch \$2.00 (reduced prices - .30 cents & .40 cents).



## Keeping Children Safe

There are students at Sedgwick Elementary School who are experimenting with drugs, alcohol, and tobacco. Students and parents tell me this is occurring. Students have even told me that they have done it themselves. When we find out that this is going on (which isn't often), we notify parents and take appropriate disciplinary action. However, much of this behavior, if not all, goes on outside of school.

A recent study of students across the state indicates that a sizable percentage of students as young as fifth grade are at least experimenting with tobacco, drugs (including, and especially, legal prescription drugs) and alcohol. The use of drugs, alcohol, and cigarettes is not widespread in our school, but ANY use by students who go to this school is troubling.

It is no secret that the biggest factor in keeping kids from experimenting with drugs is parental example, supervision, and involvement. Parents need to inform themselves about how to best monitor their children, educate themselves about what drugs might be available, and how best to keep their children away from those who are experimenting. Find out more by contacting Dr. Buckingham or taking a look at [www.theantidrug.com](http://www.theantidrug.com)

Unquestionably, parents make the difference. Talk to your child(ren) and be a good example. Help us stop this plague on our community.

## Upcoming Events

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| <b>Thurs.</b> | FIRST DAY OF SPRING!   |
| <b>Fri.</b>   | Dress Up Day-Springtime<br>Report cards sent home<br>Easter Festival @ DISHS<br>6-8 PM |
| <b>Wed.</b>   | PTF Volleyball 6:30 PM   |
| <b>Thurs.</b> | Healthy Me Day   |
| <b>Fri.</b>   | Early Release Day @ 12:30<br>HAT DAY!<br>Last day to buy yearbook                      |

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