

Banner Weekly Tracks

November 6, 2009

NO SCHOOL

No School- Wednesday, November 11, Veterans' Day

B.E.A.R. AWARDS

October 2009 B.E.A.R. Winners.

Class winner- Mrs. Rutherford (92.7 %)

Congratulations to the following individual student winners from the following classes.

2Moneka- Katelyn Milam
2Phillips- Jack Ketelaar
2Rutherford- Lucas Lewin
3Hughes- Henry Yi
3Miller- Kevin O'Malley
3Winkelmann- Vishnu Dasari
4Detering- Amelia Barber
4Dutton- Anna Chen
4Seren- Yashodha Narayanan
5Clarke- Lara Jensen
5Hansen- Surya Dasari
5Steffan- Alyssa Closen



District Launches Interactive Blog to Communicate with Stakeholders

The District has launched an interactive "[Blog](#)" to enhance and encourage 2-way communication through the use of [Web 2.0](#) technology. The District will use the blog to provide regular updates on issues related to the school district. The blog will be used to discuss the strategic planning process, share information regarding student achievement, communicate progress about future facility decisions, review data, celebrate accomplishments and seek stakeholder input on a variety of topics. New information will be posted regularly and often.

The blog may include text, graphs, graphical images and other multimedia including audio and video podcasts in the near future. This format provides opportunities for staff and stakeholders to interact with the school district and encourages teamwork, collaboration and shared leadership. The community is encouraged to visit the blog and sign up to receive email alerts when new content is posted (see: "subscribe by email" on the right side of the blog menu- <http://dunlapschools.edublogs.org/>). You can also access the blog from the District's main web site.

Your participation in the blog is encouraged and we value your comments and feedback. Sign up today! Dr. Jay Marino

LUNCH MENU

Monday- Sausage pizza/cheese pizza, side salad, pretzels, cottage cheese, apples, rice krispie treats, milk

Tuesday- Chicken & noodles, mashed potatoes/gravy, peas & carrots, pears, wheat rolls, milk

Wednesday- NO School, Veteran's Day

Thursday- Sub & cheese sandwich, lettuce/tomato, sun chips, peaches, milk

Friday- Chili, nachos/salsa, carrots & celery sticks, applesauce, cinnamon rolls, milk

TARDY TRACKER

Being on time is important in any school system, as well as being on time for any kind of appointment, job, etc.... Of course, there are always unforeseen events which are out of our control that keep us from being on time occasionally. Banner is encouraging students to take pride in this aspect to avoid disruptions to the classroom. During the month of October, Banner reported 162 students tardy. This was an average of about 8.5 students per day. We have set a goal of reducing the number of tardies to an average of 6 or less per day, which we are graphing on a daily basis. Students are able to watch the progress each day. Please help us reach our goal of the average of 6 or less students tardy each day.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Ajay J.	Tyler V.	Emily B.
Mark D.	Brittany M.	Lindsey N.
Conner R.	Gavin S.	Kailey G.
Mohammad R.		

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Monday, November 9	Market Day Pick Up 4-5 p.m.
Wednesday, November 11	NO School, Veteran's Day
Thursday, November 19	BES 4/5 Music Program, 6:30
Friday, November 20	Progress Reports Issued
Monday, November 23	PTO Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, November 25	NO SCHOOL, Fall Vacation
Thursday, November 26	NO SCHOOL, Fall Vacation
Friday, November 27	NO SCHOOL, Fall Vacation

USED TOY COLLECTION

A representative from "Neighborhood House" has contacted us to help them in collecting good, used toys for those affiliated with the Neighborhood House. They will be having a "Toy Shop" as part of their mission statement. Starting Monday, there will be a box in the foyer area where students can place any used toys (in good condition).



PTO NEWS

BOX TOPS - Congratulations to Mrs Sereno's class!!! They won the box top challenge by collecting a whopping 802 box tops!!! Other classes were close so continue to collect them and turn them in to your teachers, the next chance to win a party will be in February 2010. A HUGE thank you to the parent volunteers who clip, count and bag up the box tops. I couldn't have gotten them together without you. We earned \$697.10 for Banner to use towards exciting new things for the school. Great job EVERYONE!!

Script orders due November 9th - Last month's Scrip order made \$250 profit for Banner PTO. This holiday season please consider buying your gift cards through Banner PTO. You buy the cards at face value and the stores rebate a percentage back to Banner PTO. We will place two more orders this year. Orders are due back Nov. 9th and Dec. 7th.

Other easy fund raisers are Kroger gift cards (\$5-\$500) and Nick-n-Willys buy one get one pizza free punch card (\$10). If you are interested in either, write on the Scrip order form the amount. Once you have your Kroger gift card, please reload it at the front desk or gas kiosk with your credit card or cash. Once we reach \$5000 in grocery purchases, Kroger will send a \$150 check directly to Banner PTO. Thanks for participating in the Banner PTO Scrip Program!

Karen grosse_hund@juno.com

MISSING JACKET

A boy's jacket was lost at the Basketball Academy on Friday evening at DHS. It is a black Columbia fleece jacket that is a liner to a winter coat. It is a size 14/16. It may have a name inside. The jacket he brought home was a size 6/8 black Steve & Barry's fleece. If your child brought home the wrong jacket, please return it to the office and we will contact the owner for an exchange.

BANNER TEAMS FOOD DRIVE

Banner teams will be having a food drive in mid November. Watch the newsletter for more details.

DUNLAP RECREATION ASSOCIATION

We will also be having **evaluations for the 3/4/5 grade house leagues** at Banner Grade school on November 10. Registration will be held from 5:30 to 6:30 and evaluations start afterward. Registration packets are available at your school office. Any questions, contact Kathy Gullette at 635-1681 or kat8591@aol.com.

Boy's Grades 3,4,5,6 - House League registration for any 3rd, 4th, 5th or 6th grade boy will remain open until Monday, November 9th. If you were unable to make the evaluations and are interested in playing, please email Scot Frankenreider at frankenreider@comcast.net with your information.

DUNLAP SPECIAL EDUCATION PARENT GROUP

Our next meeting is Tuesday, November 17th, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Banner Elementary. Please come and meet other parents, caregivers and educators of special needs children. All are welcome, you do not need to have a child in the Dunlap schools. Susan Barnhart of the Illinois Association of Microboards and Human Service Cooperatives will be sharing great ideas relating to assuring the quality of life for the future of our special needs children. For more information please contact Laura Sniff at 678-0190 or send an email to dunlapspecialparents@hotmail.com

SURVEY

Thank you to all of the parents who completed the survey at conferences. We appreciate your input and will try to make improvements for next year.

	Strongly Disagree				Strongly Agree		
	1	2	3	4	5		# respondents
After today's conference, I am better informed about my child's current level of academic progress.	7	1	6	43	161	Percent of 4 and 5	218
	3.2%	0.5%	2.8%	19.7%	73.9%	93.6%	
After today's conference, I have a better understanding of my child's behavior in class.	6	1	4	38	158	Percent of 4 and 5	207
	2.9%	0.5%	1.9%	18.4%	76.3%	94.7%	
After today's conference, I am more informed about helping my child at home.	7	5	13	33	152	Percent of 4 and 5	210
	3.3%	2.4%	6.2%	15.7%	72.4%	88.1%	