

Happy New Year



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P.T.A News

- * Remember to keep bringing in your box tops. Please cut around the outlined edges before sending them in.
- * Cook Books- We still have Goshen School Cook Books available in the office. They are \$5.00 per book.
- * Thanks to all those who volunteer in the school. You make our school a better place.

Education Fair

The 28th Annual Education Fair will be held in March this year. We encourage students to begin thinking about and preparing for the fair. Rules and other expectations will be coming in the next few weeks. This is a great opportunity for our students to learn in detail, about topics that interest them in the four category areas (Math, Language Arts, Science, and Social Studies). Students may enter in one, two, three, or all four categories. Students should plan to sign up to speak with judges about their projects. Awards are given to all students that enter. We are looking forward to another great year.

Christmas Program

We had a great time preparing and presenting for this year Christmas Sing-a Long at Goshen Elementary. We appreciate all of the students who shared their talents and thank the many parents for coming to support our students.

Cartridge Recycling

We are collecting inkjet cartridges, laser cartridges, cell phones, PDAs, digital cameras, iPods, laptop computers, GPS devices, video games and video game consoles for recycling. The students may bring them into the office at the school and we will send them in from here. The school will receive payment for helping to keep our world green.



SEP Conference

It's hard to believe that the second term is almost over. We have had a great year so far and hope that the second half of the year gets even better. SEP Conference will be held on Wednesday, **January 16** from 2:30 to 9:30. We hope you plan to come. Your input is valued and appreciated. We look forward to visiting with all parents. **Parents please remember that we will be following the same scheduled appointment times that were set up last SEP Conference.**

Electronic Device Reminder

Please remind students to **leave all electronic devices at home**. As we come back to school from the Christmas Break, it is lots of fun to show new items to friends here at school. This can be a distraction to other students during class, as well as a temptation to play with the items when other learning should be going on. We also want to insure that expensive items are not broken or stolen. **The school is not responsible for any lost or stolen electronic device.**

Lunch Information

Goshen School will begin enforcing the district policy on changes to breakfast and lunch accounts. **Beginning January 3, students will only be allowed 3 charges to their accounts. After this they will be served a roll and milk until the account is paid in full.** If you have any questions call Debbie at 667-3476. We appreciate your help with this.

Roads to Success

We will be doing another "It Pays to Read Assembly" during Term 3. For every 20/30 minutes that your student reads, they receive a ticket to participate. So **KEEP ON READING!!!**

Dates to Remember

Jan 2:	School Resumes
Jan 10:	Term 2 Ends
Jan 11:	District Development Day NO SCHOOL for students
Jan 14:	Term 3 Begins
Jan 16:	SEP/Parent Conference 2:30 to 9:30
Jan 17:	PTA Meeting 2:00
Jan 21:	Martin Luther King Jr. Day NO SCHOOL
Jan 28:	SCC meeting at 3:30



Goshen School Chess

Goshen School Chess Club had 24 students recently attend the Art City Invitational. We had the 2nd largest number of club members at the tournament. Our students placed 4th overall. Individual winners were: Devan Lopez who placed 2nd in the 5th Grade, Kanyon Gonzalez placed 1st in the 3rd Grade, James Baum placed 7th in the 3rd Grade, and Emily Voran took 8th place in the 3rd Grade. Goshen School also attended the Nebo Chess Tournament where they took 8th place. You may view the trophies in the show case at the top of the stairs at Goshen School. We want to congratulate all those who participated. They have represented our school well.

Citizens of the Month

For December

(Theme Kindness)

Ana Ramirez, Mariana Pena, Sean Perry, Rhett Carter, Juliana Sanchez, Vianey Vazquez, Kimberly Green Shane Pyne, Sky Simmons, Audrey Peterson, Daycee Drury, Haley Lundell, Yadira Vasquez, Mauro Morales, Rhyle Thompson, Bailey Savage

Read To Succeed



Resources for Educators 2004

Q&A Real Writing

Q: My son doesn't enjoy writing. He will write a few words, such as his spelling lists, but when it's time to write a paragraph or story, he complains. Any ideas?

A: Have your son try a few "real" writing tasks. It's often easier for kids to write about things that have meaning for them. This practice may encourage him to give those longer writing assignments a try. Here are a few examples:

- Write a thank-you note for a wonderful new gift.
- Pull out a favorite photograph. Have him write a description of what is happening in the picture. Or, ask him to write what he remembers about the day.
- Write lists of favorite songs, favorite characters in a movie, or ideas for his birthday.

Principal's Corner

Welcome back to school. I hope you enjoyed your holiday break. With the cold weather, low temperatures and poor air quality we are keeping the students inside during lunch recess. Students have the option to watch a G-rated movie in the lunch room or read a book in the skills portable. We also rotate classes through our computer labs. Once the weather/air quality improves we will return to regular outside lunch recesses. Thank you for encouraging your students to dress warmly.

We have many students bringing electronic devices to school. **PLEASE** keep them at home. They are a distraction in the classrooms and tempt others to take them. The school is NOT responsible for lost or stolen electronic devices. If any lost devices are turned in to the office, we will hold them for parent identification and pickup. Thank you for your help in this matter.

Let's have a great 3rd term!

Mrs. DeGraffenried

