



Falcon Times

The Newsletter of Goshen Elementary School **October 2012** **Number 2**

P.T.A News

***Reflections-** The theme this year is “The Magic Of A Moment...” We really want to see a LOT of entries this year to represent our school well. Parents, please encourage your child/children to participate. EVERY CHILD WILL RECEIVE A PRIZE. Please pick up an entry form at the office. **Entries are due October 1st.**

***PTA Meeting-** A PTA General meeting will be held October 13th in the PTA room at 2:00.

***Facebook page-** Goshen PTA now has a facebook page. If you have a facebook account, type in the search box “Goshen Elementary PTA” Click on the page with a falcon, then click “Like” at the top of the page. You will then receive the latest updates and announcements from the PTA.

***Box Top/ Campbell’s Labels/ Milk Caps** are all being collected at our school this year. Have your child take them to their classrooms. Due to last years efforts, we were able to purchase some much needed equipment such as play ground equipment, DVD players & projection screens.

*We have a few **Goshen School Cookbooks** left here at the school. They are \$10.00 each and make great gifts.

***A BIG Thank You to all of those who helped with the Fall Festival, it was a big success.**

Student Information System

Goshen Elementary is again using the Nebo School District Student Information System. A letter from the District Office was sent out earlier informing you about this program. You may access the site at www.nebo.edu. There you will find a link that says **Parent** that will drop down and show SIS Grade/Attendance. Clicking on this will bring you to **Student ID and Password**. Insert the student number as the ID and then the assigned password. If you need help assessing you students’ attendance or grades, or need help with their password, you may call the office at 667-3361. *Please update your contact information here any time there are changes.*

Smith’s Earn and Learn: Please remember to have the cashier at a Smith’s store scan your Fresh Values Card and give the percentage points to Goshen School. If you don’t have the paper with you (Sent out with newsletter from last month) an Enrollment Barcode for Goshen School has been left at the Smith’s store in Payson. This donation really adds up fast and will help our school.

SEP Conference

This year we will hold our first SEP Conference on Wednesday, October 24. They will be held at the school from **2:30 to 9 30** p.m. **Please call to schedule an appointment** on Wednesday, **October 17**, Thursday, **October 18**, Friday, **October 19**, and Monday, **October 22** and Tuesday, **October 23**. If no appointment is made, your student will bring home an assigned time for you to meet with the teacher. It is very helpful for you if you have multiple students, to call ahead so that we can coordinate the appointments.

Student Elections

The Student Council for Goshen School is composed of 6th Grade students. They were selected by their teachers based on an essay that was written by the student.

These students will serve for the first half of the school year.

Congratulations to:

Devon Lopez, Quade Valerio, Evyn Staheli, Chelise Tromble, McCoy Olsen, Rebecca Hazelet, Bailey Savage, Lydia Lundell , Levi Williams

Healthy Snacks for Students

We as faculty and staff at Goshen Elementary School are using a Wellness Program to help us be at our best while here at work. We would also like to

encouraging parents to look for ways to provide nutritious snacks for classroom activities.

Looking for ways to become more healthy will benefit all of us at Goshen School.

Dates To Remember

Oct. 1: Reflection Entries Due (The Magic Of A Moment)

Oct. 7: Twin Day (Dress the same as another student)

Oct. 10-14: National School Lunch Week

Oct. 11-12: Fall Break - **NO SCHOOL**

Oct. 15-19: Red Ribbon Week

Oct. 16: School Picture Make Up Day

Oct. 16: Dental Varnish 9:00 a.m.

Oct. 26: Student Council Book Exchange

Oct. 24: SEP Conference 2:30-9:30 p.m.

Oct. 26: PTA Spirit Day

Oct. 26: End of Term 1

Oct. 31: Halloween Costume Parade /9:15 a.m. for the entire school
12:05 p.m. for PM Kindergarten

Nov 5-9 Book Fair

Student Attendance

An issue of great concern is the attendance of our students at Goshen School. Recent testing information shows those students who frequently miss school, do not retain skills that are learned or do as well on testing. We highly encourage you to have your students miss as few days as possible. This will help with their overall learning, as well as success during the school year.

Please make sure to read the NEW Nebo School District Attendance Policy. See page 5 of the Goshen School Information Handbook or Policy JDI in the Parent Information Guide found online at www.nebo.edu. It will be very helpful to you and the school to become familiar with it and follow the guidelines listed. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. DeGraffenried at Goshen School 667-3361.



Road To Success

In order to promote reading and to meet our school goals, we are asking students to turn in their reading minutes WEEKLY. Please be looking for their reading logs and sign and send them back at the end of each week.

Reading Comprehension (The Parent Institute 2006)

As we have recently been reviewing the CRT Test Scores from last year, it has become apparent that our students could use additional help in the reading comprehension area. The following are suggestions that may be used to help the students in this area.

Ask questions to build reading comprehension such as:

1. "What's the title of the book?"
2. "What new words did you learn from the book?"
3. "What happened in the story?"
4. "Who were your favorite characters?"
5. "What places were described in the book?"
6. "What else did you learn from the book?"
7. "What is the book trying to teach us?"



Red Ribbon Week

October 15th-19th

Monday- *Wear Red Day- One School- One Goal!*

Tuesday- *Wear Sunglasses- Shade Out Drugs Day!*

Wednesday- *Wear Black- Black Out Drugs Day!*

Thursday- *Wear Crazy Hair - Hair's to a Drug Free Life!*

Friday- *Wear School Colors- Falcons- Dream It- Believe It- Achieve It- Drug Free!*

Weather

As the weather turns cold, we ask that you please make sure students dress warmer, wearing coats and closed toe shoes. **Please also have coats labeled with the students names.** This will help out greatly with the lost coat situation at school.

Safety Concern

For student's safety, please be sure to drop off and pick up students in the appropriately marked zones. **DO NOT** drop off or pick up in **BUS ZONES** or in front of the **BIKE RACK AREA**.

**Students of the Month for
September**
(For Showing that they care)

Jonathan Chavarria
Selena Avila-Lopez
Saydee Carter
Addison Palfreyman
Spencer Burrell
Rebecca Hazelet

Shayla Martinez
Nathan Weston
Rylie Tew
Keelee Bingham
Madison Brook
Josafat Bermudez

Logan Secrist
Davis Carter
David Moore
Reydesel Cruz
Daxton Boothe



Love and Logic

There will be Love and Logic Parenting Classes beginning on Tuesday, October 2. The classes will be held October 2, 9, 16, and 23rd. The classes are at Wilson Elementary School from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. The cost is \$20.00 per family. The fee includes the Love and Logic Book. Call Abby at 801-465-6060 to register.

New Art Program at Goshen Elementary asking for donations of supplies

Our supplies are limited, so if any of you would care to donate the following supplies it will allow us to do more with our projects:

**Old t-shirts (use for aprons)*

**Old used crayons*

**Rags*

**Newspapers*

**Toilet paper and paper towel cores*

**Old magazines and picture books (especially ones with animals)*

**Collections: such as buttons or small objects that can be used to decorate with or to make collages, wall paper samples, paint samples, scraps of scrapbooking paper, swatches of interesting wrapping paper, stationary or fabrics like the specialty paper but made of cloth and fabric*

Principal's Corner

September was a great month! So many wonderful things happened at our school. We enjoyed a fantastic Fall Carnival hosted by the PTA. I enjoyed meeting many of you there. Many of our students have earned fantastic Falcons because of their willingness to make great choices and help each other and our school. We now have a Student Council. They are excited to serve and have planned great activities for our school. SEP's are scheduled for October 24, 2012. I look forward to seeing you and your students that evening. Please call and schedule your time.

Our Character Ed theme for October is Courage. Each week we will discuss different aspects of courage in our classrooms. We will start with the saying, "Doing the right things for the right reason." Talk with your child(ren) about what this means. We will be looking for students who exemplify this. "Have the courage to say no. Have the courage to face the truth. Do the right thing because it is right. These are the magic keys to living your life with integrity." (W. Clement Stone) This is one way they will earn Fantastic Falcons.

I love fall and am looking forward to a great October! Thank you for all you do to help our school be successful.

