

# LEWISBURG ELEMENTARY

## PSA NEWSLETTER MARCH 2010

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy Spring ... almost!

Let me begin by extending an invitation for you to join us at the PSA Family Skating Party, which will be held on Sunday, March 21, 2010 from 4:30 – 7 p.m. at Sunset Skating Rink. Admission is a non-perishable food item. Skate rentals are \$1, for traditional skates, Quad skates are \$1.50 and inline skates are \$3. We host this party as a way to say thank you for a great year to the students and families who make up our PSA. We hope to see many, many of you there!

Thanks to the many volunteers who helped to make Read Across America Day a wonderful success. We could not have done it without you! Please note that the Officer/Coordinator Volunteer forms for the 2010/2011 school year are due by Monday, March 8. If you would like to volunteer, please do so by this deadline. Spring is a very busy time for the PSA and there are many volunteer opportunities. Look for these opportunities to come from your grade level coordinators and room parents within the next few months. As always, we appreciate any help you are able to provide.

I hope you can join us for the next PSA meeting which will be held on Monday, March 15 at 7 p.m. in the library at Kelly Elementary. See you then!

Warmest regards,

**Tara Humphrey**

## JOIN THE PARTY

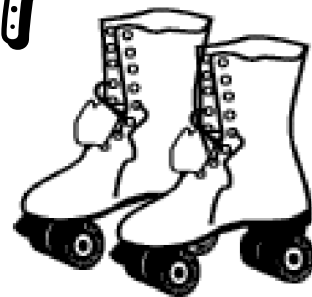


**WHAT:** PSA 2010 Roller Skating Party

**DATE:** March 21

**TIME:** 4:30 - 7 pm

**PLACE:** Sunset Roller Rink



## Staff Appreciation Week

Let's show our staff how much we appreciate their hard work and dedication!

The planning starts now for the week of May 3 - 7, 2010, and we need your help!

Find out how you can volunteer to help before and during Staff Appreciation Week by contacting Katie Gill, [dkgill@ptd.net](mailto:dkgill@ptd.net), Kelly Bldg. Coordinator, or Elizabeth Cooper, [coopers072000@yahoo.com](mailto:coopers072000@yahoo.com), Linntown Bldg. Coordinator

# KELLY ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

## Dear Parents and PSA Members,

March has arrived and so has the snow!! Snow in March? I am guessing this is pretty normal for the area, although I do not remember it happening this way last year. Even through the cold weather, there is no better place to educate children than Kelly Elementary. If you have not noticed yet, we have the best staff and parent base around. For that reason, we have lots of things to celebrate.

Thank you to everyone involved with Read Across America. It was a huge success. We actually had more readers than we anticipated for our first time trying this. Mary Ritter was responsible for organizing the classes with the readers, making her a huge part of the success. Please stop and tell her thank you when you have the opportunity.

We are welcoming three new staff members to the building as long-term substitutes. Mr. Dustin Manotti is filling in for Mrs. Papson, Mrs. Dianne Sawyer is in for Miss Jarrett, and Mrs. Jenny Evans is now in Mrs. Laubach's room. If you have children in these rooms and have not had the pleasure of meeting these educators, please feel free to schedule a time to introduce yourself. We are always excited to have parents in the building.

The Bucknell Buddies program is in full swing. We have more than 90 students participating in everything from computer-based activities to one-to-one reading and math instruction. A thank you is necessary to the students from Bucknell University for donating their time. They are working with our students to firm up some of the skills that are essential at the next level. Each buddy works with one to four students and helps give them some of the individual attention they desire.

The first grade music program was a huge success. Thank you to Mrs. Doeblner and Miss Harvey for their team work in providing all of our students with a level of music appreciation. I am still amazed every time I see just how many people we can fit in the gym at one time. It is wonderful to see so many people involved in the lives of the Kelly students.

Dates to Remember:

**March 5:** Blue Day (wear blue)

**March 12:** Yellow Day

**March 17:** Green Day

**March 23:** Third Grade Music Night at 7 p.m.

**March 24-25:** Group Picture Days

**March 25:** Middle School story-tellers (Third Grade)

**March 26:** Bucknell Athletes will visit and read with First Grade students

**March 26:** Red Day

As always, thank you for all you do for us here at Kelly Elementary and for giving us the opportunity to educate your child.

Sincerely,

**Dustin Dalton**

# LINNTOWN ELEMENTRY PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

## Dear Linntown Families,

Spring is just around the corner — or so we hope! The students and staff are all anxious for warmer days and sunny weather to be with us on a regular basis. Spring weather is often unpredictable and we ask that you still send your child to school with a jacket. If the weather is warm, they are always able to take them off once they are outside.

Don't forget — the annual Pops Concert is fast approaching! The Linntown students will be performing Tuesday, March 9 at 7 p.m. at Bucknell's Weis Center. Invitations and donation cards were sent home to all Linntown families. The concert is the biggest fundraiser for the LAEA Provisional Fund, which provides assistance to Lewisburg students in financial need. This year alone, the fund has spent more than \$7,500 providing basic needs for families. We hope that you consider donating to this worthy cause. As always, Mr. Walz has done a wonderful job of preparing students for the performance and I am sure you enjoy the evening very much.

Parent letters regarding the upcoming PSSA will be sent home in the near future. The Reading and Math Assessments will be taking place from April 7-16. This will involve both fourth and fifth grades. The following week, April 19-23, the fifth-grade students will be taking the PSSA Writing Assessment. The final test, the PSSA Science Assessment, will take place for fourth graders the week of April 26. With the exception of make-up tests, we will be administering the assessments during the morning. We ask that you please refrain from scheduling appointments during the morning and that you have your child to school on time. If students arrive late, they will not be able to report to their class until the assessment period is over. Of course, if your child is sick, he or she should stay home and complete the section(s) missed when they return to school.

March 2 was Read Across America Day. Thank you to Ms. Baker and Mrs. Watson for organizing this year's festivities. The students enjoyed partnering with another class to read Dr. Seuss books. The students also had the opportunity to wear a fun hat to school on that day.

Our most recent snow day has now made Monday, April 5 a make-up day. All remaining snow days that may occur will be made up at the end of the school year. We were disappointed that our last school day caused us to postpone Kit's Kaboodle, an interactive performance on Colonial life and the American Revolution. We have been able to reschedule the event and will be welcoming her to Linntown on March 16.

Enjoy the longer days and warmer weather!

**Paula J. Reber**



## Parents Do the Extra Credit, Kids Enjoy the Rewards

Now through June 30, visit the UPS Store at 185 AJK Blvd. in the Silvermoon Plaza and "pack, ship, print & earn extra credit" for our PSA.

When you use the UPS Store on 185 AJK Blvd. Lewisburg, to pack and ship an item or print flyers, posters, etc. or use any of their other services, the store will donate 5% of the proceeds to our PSA. The donations can be used by our schools for a variety of educational needs, such as purchasing new books, educational software and school supplies, funding class field trips, and improving the education environment of classrooms.

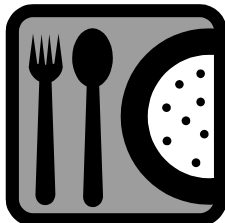
Flyers will be sent home outlining the details. Watch for them later this week. Any questions, please feel free to contact Lisa Bernard at leeme615@aol.com.

# Cafeteria Help Needed

Help is needed in the cafeteria to aid students with their lunches each day throughout the school year.

**Lunch runs from 11 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.**

If you would like to help out, please sign up on the calendar located at the school office or e-mail Maureen Starmack at [tmstarmack@dejazzd.com](mailto:tmstarmack@dejazzd.com). You may stay the entire time or as long as you desire.



## Volunteering in Kelly Cafeteria

Throughout the year you have heard that Kelly needs volunteers to help in the cafeteria during lunch. We thought it might be helpful to tell you what we do should you be interested in volunteering.

We arrive between 11 and 11:15 a.m. and leave at 1 p.m. During that time we serve condiments, make sure the children have eating utensils, open containers and field questions. These are things we do for our own families at home, but at Kelly it's on a grand scale.

The best part of our time is seeing our children, meeting their friends and getting to know the staff. By the warm reception we receive, we think they appreciate and enjoy seeing us, too. Any amount of time you choose to give will be appreciated, as well as rewarding for you.

For more information, please contact Vicki DeVett (524-7266), Lisa Scott ([lscott@dejazzd.com](mailto:lscott@dejazzd.com)), or Maureen Starmack ([tmstarmack@dejazzd.com](mailto:tmstarmack@dejazzd.com)), Kelly Cafeteria Volunteer Coordinator.

If interested, there is a sign-up sheet available at the office window.

Vicki DeVett and Lisa Scott

### UPCOMING PSA MEETINGS

**March 15** – Kelly Library

**April 21** – Linntown Elementary

PSA Newsletter Material Deadlines  
**Issue Month** ..... **Deadline**  
 April ..... March 29  
 May ..... May 3  
 Please send materials to [jhmarshall70@gmail.com](mailto:jhmarshall70@gmail.com).



## Dear Parents:

A huge thank you to all the parents who sent in Box Tops for the Feb. 17 deadline. With your help, we collected more than 10,500 box tops, which translates to cash for our schools.

Our prize winners for the first collection period are:

**Kelly** - Miss Erdley's class (682 box tops)

**Linntown** - Mrs. Crowther (252 box tops)

Our next deadline will not be until the start of the next school year. The exact date will be in the September newsletter. Please continue to collect those clipped Box Tops for the rest of this school year and throughout the summer (don't forget to check the expiration date)! Remember to mark the name of your child's teacher on the baggie so that room gets credit.

Thank you for your time and making a difference with Box Tops! If you have any questions, please contact me at [gilger@dejazzd.com](mailto:gilger@dejazzd.com).

Sincerely,  
 Kim Gilger  
 Box Tops Coordinator



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