



Riverside Report

February 3, 2012

School Mascot: Bruno
School colors:
Blue & White
School Motto: "Put
Your Best Foot Forward"

The Riverside Report is published and distributed to inform interested individuals about the education of our youth.

Riverside Phone Extensions:
Main #: 715-359-2417

- 5322 Mrs. LesStrang, Principal
- 5321, Joan Erdman, Secretary
- 5323, Gloria Degner, Student Health Assist.
- 5308, Stefanie Teske, Psychologist
- 5326, Dianna Reinardy, Guidance Counselor
- 355-4118, School Cancellation Hotline

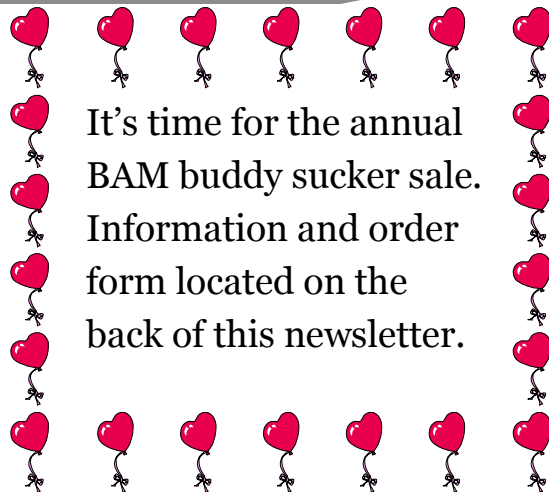
Staff phone extension numbers and email addresses are available on the D.C. Everest District website (www.dce.k12.wi.us).

Dates To Remember

Tuesday, February 7	Parent-Teacher Conferences, 4:20-8:00 pm Popcorn Day
Wednesday, February 8	Teddy Bear Clinic (PM—Salter)
Thursday, February 9	Homework Club, 3:45-4:45 pm Registration Deadline for Science Fair
Friday, February 10	No School for Students, Parent-Teacher Conferences, 8:00 am—12:40 pm
Monday, February 13	Kindergarten & 1st Grade @ Grand Theater (AM)
Tuesday, February 14	Homework Club, 3:45-4:45
Thursday, February 16	Chess Club, 3:35-5:00 Homework Club, 3:45-4:45
Monday, February 20	PTO Meeting, 6:30 pm
Tuesday, February 21	Popcorn Day Homework Club, 3:45-4:45
Thursday, February 23	Homework Club, 3:45-4:45
Tuesday, February 28	Teddy Bear Clinic (Strehlow AM; Cornish PM)
Friday, March 2	No School, Staff Development Day
Friday, March 9	Riverside Science Fair

"GIANTS IN SCIENCE" SCIENCE FAIR

Students can still sign up for the science fair to be held March 9th. The registration deadline has been extended to February 9th. Registration forms are available in the Riverside office. Display boards are also available for purchase in the office (\$4.00).



It's time for the annual BAM buddy sucker sale. Information and order form located on the back of this newsletter.



PLEASE NOTE:
NO SCHOOL
Friday, February 10
Parent-Teacher Conferences

Riverside's Spelling Bee took place on January 31. An enthusiastic, but very well behaved, audience witnessed an intense showdown between some of Riverside's best spellers. After 9 rounds, Kate Boersma captured 2nd place. The competition came to a close when Andrew Sutton successfully spelled "grocery".

Riverside would also like to acknowledge the contributions of our custodian. Mr. Dunaj, as usual, did an excellent job of setting up the gym and sound system so that our spellers could be heard clearly. Thank You!!

Congratulations to all of our Spelling Bee participants!



3rd, 4th & 5th Grade Spelling Bee Participants



Congratulations Andrew & Kate!

Moving???

TUITION WAIVER

The intent of the tuition waiver is to solve the problem that occurs when students move out of the district after the open enrollment deadline. If your child meets the requirements and is granted the tuition waiver, he/she is allowed to remain in the district until the following February when you are eligible to apply for open enrollment. You must apply for open enrollment during the next February application period in order for your child to continue attending D.C. Everest.



OPEN ENROLLMENT

Application period for the 2012 - 2013 school year begins February 6.

Wisconsin's inter-district public school open enrollment program allows parents to apply for their children to attend a school district other than the one in which they live. Parents must complete an online application no earlier than February 6, 2012. **Late applications will not be accepted for any reason.**

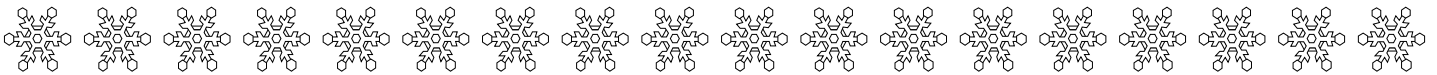
The on-line application is available on the DPI web site: <http://dpi.wi.gov/sms/pstoc.html>. This web site will open on February 6, 2012 at 12:00 a.m.

At this time, once a student is accepted to attend D.C. Everest under open enrollment, the student may continue to attend the district without having to reapply every year. Annually, parents will receive a mailing requesting that you confirm your child will continue to attend under the open enrollment program, verify your demographic information and return it to us. For more information contact Rhonda Haas at 359-4221, extension 1245.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Thank you for continuing to collect box tops! The total number of box tops collected for the month of October was 4,148. The class with the most box tops that month was Mrs. Strehlow's class with 707. In November, 2,864 box tops were collected during the month of November with Mrs. Treptow's class on top with 297. We collected a total of 4,436 box tops for the month of December. The class with the most box tops was Mrs. Staff's class with a total of 811. Congratulations! These classrooms received a small prize.

The total number of box tops for the first quarter was 12,186! This earns us \$1,218.60. Wow! The class collecting the most box tops for the 1st quarter was Mrs. Schwan's class with a total of 1,603. They will receive an ice cream sundae party. So far this year we have collected a total of 16,622 box tops! Great job everyone!



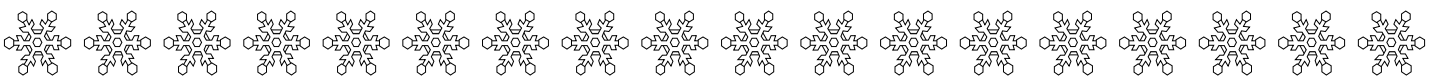
Hitting the trails at Riverside!

Finally there is enough snow for cross country skiing! Students in 3rd through 5th grades have been enjoying cross country skiing during their physical education classes this week. For most students, it is their first time experiencing the sport. Treveon W. from Mrs. Schwan's 3rd grade class said, "I really liked skiing and I hope I can do it even when I'm not at school." McKenna G. added, "I screamed a lot because everyone was falling and I was afraid I was going to fall too!" The students cross country ski for 4-5 classes in the winter, depending on the weather. The trail that the students go on surrounds the playground. The trail is approximately 1/2 mile long. During a 30 minute class period, students average about 22 minutes of ski time. Students



get pretty good at getting the skis on and off and we have a very efficient system to make the most of limited class time.

Riverside's PTO funded skis for our school with money raised about 10 years ago through a winter recreation program. Students are thankful for the opportunity to try this winter sport.



BATTLE OF THE BOOKS

This year Riverside is participating in the statewide Battle of the Books program which is designed to promote a love of reading among students. This program encourages students to read a variety of books and remember information about the plots, characters, and settings of those books.

Currently there are 14 fourth and fifth grade students participating and the team will eventually end up with four students and one alternate who will represent the school in the statewide competition the last full week of February. Current members are: Joe S., Ricky W., Savannah J., Jacinda M., Guthrie H., Savannah G., Joey H., McKenna B., Kaitlin K., Olivia F., Marina S., Andrew B., Alex G., and Bria L. It is a fun, academic-based competition that has been very successful in school districts throughout the state in encouraging students to read.

Riverside's team has Mrs. Dembowski, Mrs. Becker, Mrs. Reimer and Mr. Podeweltz as advisors. The group meets during lunch times on Thursdays. There have been a variety of fun activities including trivia challenges. Students have also written book reviews which can be currently viewed on Riverside's library blog at <http://collaborationisthekey.wordpress.com> under the Riverside Readers tab.

Students were excited this past week to get Battle of the Books t-shirts and start taking turns borrowing a Nook which has several of the books downloaded on it. For more information about all of the activities taking place district-wide, check out the district Battle of the Books at <https://sites.google.com/site/everestbattle/home>



“Paw Prints on Our Heart”

February 13-24th, Unit 1 (Kindergarten and 1st Grade) will be collecting items for the Marathon County Humane Society. Items may be dropped off near the front office. On the last day of collection, we will determine if there are more cat or dog lovers at Riverside Elementary based on the amount of items brought in for each pet. There will be a display recording the number of items brought in as well as two separate boxes for cats or dogs. Although this is a cat vs. dog competition, the Humane Society is in desperate need of many other items. Please see the list below or at the Humane Society of Marathon County’s website.

www.catsndogs.org

PAPER TOWEL

WINDEX

PUPPY FOOD

Food for rabbits, guinea pigs, and rodents

Non-Clumping Kitty litter

Pine shavings for small animals

Newspapers—full-sized newspapers to line our cat kennels

Liquid laundry detergent—help us keep pet bedding clean

Adult dog treats—the non-biscuit type is a nice change for the dogs, too!

Vinyl puppy toys—Gently used toys are welcome

Sound baffles for the kennel area OR DONATIONS FOR SAME

LIQUID HAND SOAP

SMALL BREED DOG FOOD

KITTEN FOOD! Both hard & soft PLEASE!

LARGE TRASH BAGS—30 GALLON PLUS

Copier Paper

Postage stamps for 1st class mail & postcards

CUPCAKES FOR A CAUSE

The second graders want to thank everyone for their help in raising money for the United Way and Project Linus. More than 1,000 cupcakes were donated, frosted, and sold! More than \$569 was raised! We are donating about \$400 to the **United Way** to help families with their home heating cost this winter. The remainder of the money raised went to purchasing fleece for blankets. Parent volunteers



prepared the fleece, and all of the 2nd grade students participated in “looping” their edges, 48 blankets in all! We donated them to **Project Linus of North Central Wisconsin**. This organization distributes donated blankets to children staying at area hospitals. Thanks for helping us keep area families and children **cozy** this winter!



9th Annual B.A.M. Valentine's Day Sucker Sale!

The B.A.M. (Believing and Achieving through Mentoring) buddies will be having a Valentine Day sucker sale during the 1:55 recess beginning Monday, February 6th and ending Monday, February 13th. On those days, students can purchase the Valentine suckers in advance for 50¢ each during the afternoon (1:55pm) recess from the B.A.M. buddies. The suckers will not be available at that time but will be delivered to students on Tuesday, February 14th, in the afternoon.

Suckers can be bought for oneself, for a friend, for a teacher, for anyone! Parents can buy suckers for their child or children by filling out the information on the form(s) below and then send the form(s) and money in an envelope to their student's homeroom teacher. (Please be sure to put your child's name on the envelope.) We will be attaching a sticker to the sucker with the information below.

TO: _____

Grade/Teacher: _____

FROM: _____

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