



MUSTANG NEWS

March 2008

LATEST HEADLINES

DATES TO REMEMBER

MARCH

- 6 Booster Club Mtg.,
Noon
- 7 Popcorn Day
- 14 Teacher Work Day,
NO SCHOOL
- 28 Birthday Club
- 31-Apr 4 Spring Break,
NO SCHOOL

NEW TECHNOLOGY

MACDONALD SCHOOL IS UTILIZING COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY BY NOTIFYING PARENTS VIA EMAIL. ON FEBRUARY 20, WE NOTIFIED OUR PARENTS OF THE INCLEMENT WEATHER AND THE EARLY DISMISSAL OF SCHOOL. WE LEARNED THIS NEW METHOD OF COMMUNICATION WAS AN IDEAL WAY TO NOTIFY THE PARENTS OF URGENT INFORMATION. IF YOU WERE NOT NOTIFIED AND WISH TO BE, CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE WITH YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS. THE MONTHLY *MUSTANG NEWS* WILL BE SENT VIA EMAIL.

FKCS Closed

Fort Knox Community Schools will be closed on the following days:
Mar 14 Teacher Work Day
Mar 31-Apr 4 Spring Break

FROM THE PRINCIPAL...

Thank you for your support of the Terra Nova testing that we just completed. The students did a wonderful job staying on task and I'm sure the testing results will be fantastic. I also want to thank everyone for their input in revision of our school vision. I believe that this vision states the true reason why Macdonald exists. (See page 3 for more information.)

6th Grade Physicals

All 5th grade students who will be entering 6th grade are required to have a physical prior to the start of the 6th grade school year. New 6th grade students have 30 days after enrollment to have a physical. We are required by Kentucky law to follow these guidelines. By law, if a student doesn't meet these requirements, they will be excluded.

Check out our website:

<http://www.am.dodea.edu/knox/MacDonald/index.htm>
Please view our site and make it one of your favorites.

BOOSTER CLUB NEWS . . .

Scholastic Book Fair

The last book fair of the school year will take place April 21-25 in the Media Center. You'll find loads of summer reading selections there. Check out the book fair website: <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/macdonald>. Please mark your calendar now. Volunteers are needed to set up, work, and clean up.

Popcorn Sales

The next first Friday popcorn sale is scheduled for March 7th. Bring your quarters to school that day!



Booster Club Meeting

The next Booster Club meeting is March 6th at noon in the Media Center. Consider volunteering for a Booster Club position for next school year. We need volunteers to fill the positions of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Volunteer Coordinator. Elections are usually not needed. I'm sure the children would like to see book fairs, popcorn sales and the Mustang Market continued. Volunteers make it happen! Contact the Booster Club at maconald.booster@yahoo.com to offer your support.

Mustang Market

The school store is open Tues, Wed, and Thur from 8:00-8:25. Come check out our new assortment of polka dot pens and pop-a-point pencils. We continue to sell the last of our supply of Smencils, just \$1 each!



Box Tops for Education

Congratulations to Room 11 5th grade class! They brought in 567 box tops in January. Impressive! Keep up the good work. Bring in those Tyson Project A+ labels, too.

Thank You!

Thank you to all those students and parents who supported The NED Show sales of yo-yos. We've recently received a gift certificate for \$132 to spend on new sports equipment due to your generosity.

Last, but not least....

Teacher Appreciation Week is May 5-9. The Booster Club is planning an event for every day that week. We'll soon ask for food donations from parents to support "Muffin Monday", "Souper Tuesday", etc.

READ ACROSS AMERICA

March 3, 2008, marks the 10th annual observance of Read Across America. Many DoDEA schools worldwide will join with schools around the globe in celebrating a love of reading and building a nation of readers.



Our schools prepare students for success in school and beyond, and reading is the catalyst for that success. Reading spans the curriculum continuum and is truly the one academic skill from which all others flow.

Teaching students to read is a rewarding experience for teachers. Sharing a book is a cherished moment for parents and their children. Reading the first chapter in a book is an exciting accomplishment for beginning readers. Pouring over a letter from home is a comforting pause for the soldier who is deployed. All of these experiences are made possible by reading. Reading opens the door to the future and provides countless possibilities for succeeding and achieving.

I encourage students, parents, teachers, principals, and school administrators who choose to participate to work closely with military community commanders to make Read Across America a success in all of our schools. Together we can help make reading part of the foundation for the future of our students and enable them to achieve their highest potential.

Joseph D. Tafoya
DoDEA Director



SIP News ...



Our vision for Macdonald School has been revised based upon the feedback from parents and staff but most of all from our students. Our entire student body held discussions about the vision. Students understood the verbiage of the vision and were eager to share their opinions.

The critical components for the students were three words: They wanted (a) ownership (Our school), (b) diversity (culturally rich) and (c) competition (problem solvers in a global, technological society)

We finalized the wording during the SIP vision statement meeting that was held on Wednesday, February 27, 2008 at 2:15 p.m. Our student body officers shared their final thoughts pertaining to what they believe would be the driving force for learning for future Macdonald Mustangs.

We would like to thank all of our parents who responded and gave us their input.

Base on our stakeholders input, Macdonald Intermediate's Vision was finalized on February 27th. It states:

Our school is a culturally rich community that empowers students to become productive, socially-conscious problem solvers with the ability to compete in a global, technological society.



Fort Knox Community Schools ~ March Breakfast Menu

MON ~ MARCH 3	TUE ~ MARCH 4	WED ~ MARCH 5	THU ~ MARCH 6	FRI ~ MARCH 7
Pancake Sausage Sticks w/Syrup Seasoned Potato Wedges Chilled Fruit Asst. Drinks	Breakfast Pocket Oatmeal w/Cinnamon Fresh Fruit Asst. Drinks	Sausage & Biscuit Jelly Cream Of Wheat Orange Wedges Asst. Drinks	Breakfast Pizza Tater Tots Chilled Fruit Asst. Drinks	French Toast w/ Syrup Ham Chilled Fruit Asst. Drinks
MON ~ MARCH 10	TUE ~ MARCH 11	WED ~ MARCH 12	THU ~ MARCH 13	FRI ~ MARCH 14
Donuts, Asst Oatmeal Fresh Fruit Asst. Drinks	Ham & Egg Cinnamon Toast Chilled Fruit Asst. Drinks	Breakfast Taco Seasoned Potato Wedges Fresh Fruit Asst. Drinks	PopTart or PBJ Uncrustable Tater Tots Asst. Drinks	NO SCHOOL
MON ~ MARCH 17	TUE ~ MARCH 18	WED ~ MARCH 19	THU ~ MARCH 20	FRI ~ MARCH 21
Biscuit & Sausage Gravy Hash Browns Chilled Fruit Asst. Drinks	Breakfast Muffin Oatmeal w/Raisins Banana Asst. Drinks	Cheese Omelet Toast Fresh Fruit Asst. Drinks	PBJ Uncrustable Tater Tots Chilled Fruit Asst. Drinks	Fresh Cinnamon Roll Sausage Fresh Fruit Asst. Drinks
MON ~ MARCH 24	TUE ~ MARCH 25	WED ~ MARCH 26	THU ~ MARCH 27	FRI ~ MARCH 28
Breakfast Cereal Bar Cream of Wheat Fresh Fruit Asst. Drinks	Chicken & Biscuit Grits Fresh Fruit Asst. Drinks	Pancake w/Sausage Syrup Hash Browns Orange Wedges Asst. Drinks	Breakfast Pizza Seasoned Potato Wedges Chilled Fruit Asst. Drinks	Waffle w/Syrup Ham+ Fresh Fruit Asst. Drinks
MON ~ MARCH 31				
NO SCHOOL		Cereal or yogurt and toast are offered daily as a choice. Menus are subject to change without prior notice		

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Fort Knox Community Schools ~ March Lunch Menus

FRI ~ MARCH 3	TUE ~ MARCH 4	WED ~ MARCH 5	THU ~ MARCH 6	FRI ~ MARCH 7
Hot Dog or Beef Enchilada Oven Glo Potatoes Carrots & Celery w/dip Fresh Fruit Sherbet Asst. Drinks	Chicken Tenders or Meatballs w/Gravy or PBJ Sandwich Green Beans Steamed Rice Chilled Fruit Asst. Drinks	Spaghetti & Meat Sauce w/ Garlic Toast or Corn Dog Seasoned Potato Wedges Garden Salad Jell-O w/Fruit Asst. Drinks	Breaded Pork Chop or Soft Taco or Turkey Deli Sandwich Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy Mexican Corn Fresh Fruit Asst. Drinks	Cheese Pizza or Grilled Chicken Sandwich Oven Fries Baked Beans Chilled Fruit Cookie Asst. Drinks
MON ~ MARCH 10	TUE ~ MARCH 11	WED ~ MARCH 12	THU ~ MARCH 13	FRI ~ MARCH 14
Cheeseburger or Sliced Turkey w/Gravy Roll Rice Pilaf Succotash Chilled Fruit Asst. Drinks	BBQ Beef or Pizza Stick or Mini Chicken w/Cheese Sandwich Egg Noodles Vegetable Medley Chilled Fruit Asst. Drinks	Taco Salad or Hot Ham & Cheese on Bun Tater Tots Corn On Cob Chilled Fruit Asst. Drinks	Chicken Nuggets or Roast Pork/Gravy/Roll or PBJ Sandwich Mashed Potatoes Broccoli w/Cheese Sauce Fresh Fruit Rice Krispie Treat Asst. Drinks	NO SCHOOL 
MON ~ MARCH 17	TUE ~ MARCH 18	WED ~ MARCH 19	THU ~ MARCH 20	FRI ~ MARCH 21
Chicken Tenders or Corned Beef Parsley Buttered Potatoes Cabbage & Cornbread Relish Tray w/dip Lime Jell-O w/Fruit Asst. Drinks	BBQ Rib Sandwich or Cheese Quesadilla or PBJ Sandwich Tater Tots Refried Beans w/Cheese Chilled Fruit Asst. Drinks	Chicken Sticks or Beef Porcupines w/Roll Mashed Potatoes Glazed Carrots Asst. Fruit Tray Sherbet Asst. Drinks	Oven Fried Chicken or Baked Ham or Hot Dog Roll Macaroni & Cheese Green Beans Fresh Grapes Asst. Drinks	Nacho w/Cheese & Peppers or Steak Hoagie Oven Fries Tossed Salad Fresh Fruit Cookie Asst. Drinks
MON ~ MARCH 24	TUE ~ MARCH 25	WED ~ MARCH 26	THU ~ MARCH 27	FRI ~ MARCH 28
Chicken Nuggets or Beef Pot Pie Rice Tossed Salad Fresh Fruit Sherbet Asst. Drinks	Nacho Grande or PBJ Sandwich or Beef & Cheese Burrito Curley Fries Refried Beans w/Cheese Fresh Fruit Asst. Drinks	Lasagna w/Roll or Chicken Patty on Bun Oven Browned Potatoes Corn Fresh Fruit Rice Krispie Treat Asst. Drinks	Stuffed Pepper w/Roll or Cheeseburger or Toasted Cheese w/Tomato Soup Mashed Potatoes Carrot & Celery Sticks Chilled Fruit Asst. Drinks	Chicken Rings or Pizza Oven Fries Mixed Vegetables Chilled Fruit Animal Crackers Asst. Drinks
MON ~ MARCH 31				
NO SCHOOL 				