



Newsletter

February 2012

Eaton Park Elementary

February Calendar Events

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- 20-22 Mardi Gras Break- NO SCHOOLS
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March Calendar Events

- 2 End of 4th six weeks
- 9 Report Cards Go Home
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- 20 LEAP TESTING – 4TH GRADE- PHASE I
- 27 Progress Reports sent home

Counselor's Week

February 6-12, 2012 is National Counselor's Week. We would like to recognize Ms. Kim Moresi and Ms. Joyce Thibodaux, our school counselors for all of the hard work and effort they put into Eaton Park Elementary. Their kindness and thoughtfulness warm the hearts of all our students, faculty, and every life they touch.

Counselor's Corner

LEAP and iLEAP testing is right around the corner. Here are some important dates to remember.

- **April 12-17, 2012** are the dates **LEAP and iLEAP** will be administered.
- 4th graders will also take part of the LEAP (Phase I) on **March 20, 2012**.
- **4th graders will take the LEAP – Louisiana Educational Assessment Program – which is a criterion referenced test designed to assess student performance according to state content standards and benchmarks in English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science and Social Studies. Phase 1 of LEAP testing will take place March 20 and will cover skills in English Language Arts – Writing and Math criterion referenced items.**
- **3rd, 5th, and 6th graders will take the iLEAP – Integrated Louisiana Educational Assessment Program – which is a norm-referenced and criterion referenced test designed to assess student achievement in multiple subjects – Reading, Language, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies.**

TEST TAKING TIPS

1. Communicate to your child the importance of the test and encourage your child to do his/her best.
2. Insist on an appropriate time for bed to ensure proper rest.
3. Provide a good breakfast on a daily basis.
4. Try to make the morning of the test a pleasant one. Avoiding excessive stress and pressure are important for a positive testing experience.
5. Make every effort to have your child arrive at school before the 8:10 a.m. bell. Make-up tests will be difficult to schedule.
6. Tell your child to attempt to answer all of the questions and not to leave any blank. Students can get partial credit on the open-ended items.
7. Explain to your child the importance of using time wisely. If your child gets stuck on a question, encourage him/her to choose the best answer.
8. Remind your child to listen carefully to the instructions from the teacher, and to read the directions and each question carefully.
9. Encourage your child to stay focused on the test, even if other students finish early.
10. Remind your child that it is okay to mark in the test booklet as help in taking the test – example: underlining important words, etc. – but to mark all answers on the answer sheet.

Vermilion Parish Pre-Kindergarten Round-up

Dates: February 7 at Rene Rost Middle Gym in Kaplan
February 9 at the Boys and Girls Club in Abbeville.

Time: 8:30 AM to 2:00 PM at each location

Parents may register at either location regardless of their child's attendance zone. The child must attend the registration.

Present the following documents at registration:

- Child's birth certificate
- Child's social security card
- Child's updated immunization record
- 2 proofs of domicile- must include an electric bill; an affidavit is needed if an electric bill is in a different name
- 2 proofs of income
- If applicable-custody papers and/or IEP

Round up registration packets may be picked up at Eaton Park or at www.vrml.k12.la.us

Class spots are limited.

Kindergarten Round-Up Friday, February 10th

CHILDREN DO NOT NEED TO ATTEND

Registration for Kindergarten will be from 8:30 A.M. until Noon

***It is important that all age appropriate students register. Kindergarten students must be 5 years of age on or before Sept. 30, 2012.**

The legal guardian must be present with the following documents:

- 1) Original state certified birth certificate
- 2) Child's social security card
- 3) Child's immunization record
- 4) Custody papers, if applicable
- 5) **Two forms of proof of domicile. Documents show a physical address, not a postoffice box number.**

- Current electric bill is required, in legal guardian's name (If electric bill is in name other than legal guardian, then a Vermilion Parish School Board Affidavit verifying student residence must be completed. Affidavit forms are available in school office.)
- Water or gas bill
- Apartment or house lease receipt or documentation providing ownership
- Filed Homestead Exemption Application Form
- Placement by OCS

7) IEP, if applicable

IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT ALL DOCUMENTS BE PRESENTED AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION! YOUR CHILD WILL **NOT** BE REGISTERED IF ANY ITEMS ARE MISSING. MISSING DOCUMENTS WILL CAUSE A DELAY IN YOUR CHILD'S REGISTRATION AND YOUR CHILD WILL BE PUT ON A WAITING LIST UNTIL ALL DOCUMENTS ARE SUBMITTED! PLEASE NOTE THAT PRE-K HAS LIMITED SLOTS!



NO SCHOOL
Feb. 20, 21, 22, 2012
In observance of Mardi Gras Holiday

BOX TOPS for EDUCATION



Our new Box Tops label sheet has been given to the students. The deadline for turning in this sheet is April 27. Thanks to all the students and parents who helped collect Box Top labels.



February – National Black History Month

Black History Month is observed every February in the United States. Students at Eaton Park Elementary have completed many activities about famous African Americans which are displayed in the school's main entrance. Each morning a biography of an African American school employee is read and shared over the intercom. We want to thank the teacher coordinators for Black History Month, Ms. Christine Joiner, Ms. Claire Bulter, and Ms. Charmaine Griffen.

