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Friday Focus

The mission of Eaton Elementary is to develop independent thinkers and problem solvers for life.

The Weeks Ahead...

- Nov. 10 – Lunch provided by NPBC
- Nov. 10 – PD Staff meeting 3:30 library
- Nov. 11 – Veteran's Day – No School
- Nov. 12 – Report Cards
- Nov. 12 – School Board Meeting 7:00 Courthouse Annex
- Nov. 13 – Alisa Barrett & Melanie Amburn's birthdays
- Nov. 16 – Loudon County Spelling Bee 6:30 LHS
- Nov. 18 – Leadership Team 3:30 Library
- Nov. 18 – SWPBS Meeting 1:00
- Nov. 25-27 – Thanksgiving Break
- Nov. 26 – Jennifer Roberts' birthday
- Nov. 28 – Jo Wilson's birthday
- Dec. 1 – Leigh McNabb's

From Jennifer Malone

Everything can be taken from a man but ... the last of the human freedoms - to choose one's attitude in any given set of circumstances, to choose one's own way.
— Victor Frankl

Frankl's words raise an interesting question: How often do we consider the freedom to choose our attitude toward life, friends, loved ones, and students? It's so much easier to consider ourselves victims of the attitudes of others, instead of masters of our own. We can choose - regardless of circumstances - an attitude that strengthens us and encourages others. As a Holocaust survivor, Frankl found meaning in the most sordid of life's experiences. Certainly in our own circumstances we can choose an attitude that lights the way toward our better selves.

- ✦ I am extremely proud of all our teachers and Para-professionals for the 2009 School Report Card. It is a reflection of your dedication to your students and your commitment to excellence that we continue to meet these challenging standards. I've said it many times before, but I am truly honored and humbled to work beside you each day.
- ✦ I will be in Nashville Friday following the Teacher of the Year Awards on Thursday evening. You can still reach me on my cell phone if you need to get in touch – email also works.
- ✦ We will have a staff meeting next Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 – room location TBA.
- ✦ We've had some last minute donations to Rocket Romp that have brought our total to just over \$36,000! This is a remarkable feat given the recession and unemployment rates. Let's work together to be good stewards of this funding from our parents. The main issue is technology upgrades (classroom computers) versus classroom instructional monies. Any feedback is welcome, and Leadership Team will make the final decision during the November 18th meeting.
- ✦ Thanks to all for the excellent, professional way you handled the Fire Marshal visit today. We had a very positive inspection with just minor issues. I appreciate you "being on your toes."
- ✦ Enjoy the day off next Wednesday for Veteran's Day.
- ✦ New Providence Baptist will provide lunch for you next Tuesday. Continue to send thank you notes to these fine folks.
- ✦ Report Cards go home next Thursday.
- ✦ Our own Maria Warren will be offering a class on implementing effective inclusionary strategies in the general education setting on

birthday

- Dec. 1 – NPBC to provide fruit
- Dec. 5 – Heather McKee and Mitzi Hall's birthdays
- Dec. 9 – Phyllis Scarbrough's birthday
- Dec. 9 – Positive Behavioral Supports 1:00
- Dec. 11 – Eaton Christmas Party – Rust home
- Dec. 13 – Dana Martindale's birthday
- Dec. 15 – Jamie Dixon's birthday
- Dec. 15 – Payday & Principal's Meeting
- Dec. 16 – Leadership Team Meeting 3:30
- Dec. 19 – Last Day prior to Christmas Break
- Dec. 20-Jan. 4 – Christmas Break
- Dec. 23 – Billy McAmis' birthday
- Dec. 29 – Donna Butler's birthday
- Jan. 4 – Administrative Day for Teachers
- Jan. 5 – Amanda Morse's birthday
- Jan. 5 – Students Return

Saturday, November 21, 2009 from 9:00 until 12:00. These sessions will be for both special education personnel and general education personnel. Sissy will be able to pay the teachers a 150 stipend per day for attending and paraprofessionals a 50 dollar stipend per day. If you are interested in attending, please email ASAP Maria or Sissy Foster.

- ✦ In order to minimize classroom interruptions, Sharon & Karen have been emailing any parent messages. Please reply to Sharon & Karen and let them know you are aware of the message. Otherwise, after 12:00, they will be calling into the classroom to make sure the student knows how to get home. Remember to check your email frequently throughout the day.

Bus Duty Next Week...

Morning – Dutton, Dongarra, Brannon

Afternoon – White, Dixon, Lynn





