

Darter Tacklebox Week 32, April 21, 2024

Good evening, Darlington Elementary School! We are Live here at the Bubble. This is Alberta Porter and Danielle O'Neill.

Darter Scholars – Congratulations to our students in grades 3-5 for completing the first week of the state's test, MCAP. KEEP up the hard work!

5th Grade Farewell Save the Date - Because the last day of school is an early dismissal day and we wanted to avoid a Monday Farewell, we will be having the promotion ceremony on Thursday, June 6 at 9:30 a.m.

Student Council Service Project – This is the last week to collect items for the Humane Society. See, below, the list of items. Please donate by April 24th.

PTA – Thank you for supporting our fun and successful 2nd annual Walkathon!!

Raised: \$2126 (go Darters!)

Team winner: 4th grade! Most funds were raised.

Individual winner: Emily and Tori - TIE for most individual amount raised! They get to choose a spirit day. The two have selected a Sparkle Sports Day to be identified next week. (wear sparkles and sports jersey or sports jersey or sparkles.)

Top number of laps/games for each grade

- Emma-in K
- William- in 1st
- Rilynn and Claire TIE -2nd
- Alton - 3rd
- William- 4th
- John-5th

PTA Scholastic Book Fair will take place the week of April 22nd. Students will be able to browse available books on April 23rd and make purchases on April 24th. Families will be able to visit the book fair visit the Student Art Show on the evening of April 25th 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Attached, please.

STREAM Night – Thank you for joining us for a fun Growing Together STREAM Night! Students planted seeds to make their own terrarium.

Patriot Celebrations -we will begin our Darter Patriots Assembly at 9:30 on April 25th. Students are asked to wear red, white, and blue.

Ironbirds Game-June 13th...see the attached.

Growing Together as Readers – keep reading and tracking reading minutes and please turn in your March Reading Tracker to Mrs. Guzman. Thanks, too, for your support of our Book Blast to get free books for classroom libraries.

AND NOW.....it is time for the Corny jokes of the week!

Q: How does a flower make a bike go?

A: With its petals!

Q: How does a rainstorm tie its shoes?

A: With a rainbow!

Have a Swift Sunday and a Marigold-like Monday.

School Spirit Days: please see below for upcoming spirit days:

Remaining School Spirit Days

April 30-2024 -PTA Most Funds Raised Winners Spirit Day -Sparkle/Sports Jersey

SC - May 10 - Beach Day

***SC – Identified by Student Council**

Reminders:

State Testing will begin on April 15th for students in grades 3-5. Please ensure that your student is in attendance each day. Results inform our practices and contribute to students' placement when they do go to middle school.

SMART Watches of any kind are treated with the same expectations as those for cell phones. They must be off and inside backpacks. Please see the HCPS handbook for more details.

Absences-please remember to submit vacation requests 10 school days prior to the trip in order for the vacation to be approved as a lawful absence. All absences require a note to the school.

Yearbooks- Orders will be taken through July 7, 2024. Yearbooks do not arrive until the start of the school year. Fifth graders will not need to buy a yearbook.

Humane Society Community Service Project

Student Council is excited to sponsor our final community service project of the school year to support the Humane Society of Harford County. Below you will find requested items from the Humane Society. Donations can be brought to school from Friday, April 5th through Wednesday, April 24th. Thank you in advance for your support of this non-profit organization who helps to rescue and care for animals in our community.

The poster features the Humane Society Harford County, Inc. logo at the top left, which includes a stylized heart shape. To the right of the logo, the words "Wish List" are written in a large, green, rounded font. Below the title, there are three small photographs of animals: a black and white dog, a ginger cat, and a brown rabbit. The main body of the poster is divided into several yellow rectangular sections, each containing a list of items. The sections are: "FOR DOGS & CATS", "FOR SMALL ANIMALS", "CLEANING SUPPLIES", "CLEANING SUPPLIES cont'd", "OFFICE SUPPLIES", and "OTHER". Each list item is preceded by a small black heart symbol.

FOR DOGS & CATS

- ♥ Hill's Science Diet dry/canned food for dogs, cats & kittens
- ♥ Canned cat/kitten food (any brand)
- ♥ Kitty litter (any brand/type)
- ♥ Powdered KMR (kitten milk replacer) can be found in most pet stores
- ♥ Miracle Nipples™ & nursing bottles/kits for kittens
- ♥ Pill pockets for dogs & cats
- ♥ Semi-moist cat & dog treats like Pupperoni & Pounce
- ♥ Creamy peanut butter
- ♥ Shelf-stable low-sodium broth

FOR SMALL ANIMALS

- ♥ CareFresh small animal bedding
- ♥ Timothy & alfalfa hay
- ♥ Oxbow rabbit & guinea pig food
- ♥ Unused small animal toys

CLEANING SUPPLIES

- ♥ Dawn dish soap
- ♥ Germicidal bleach (no low-splash)

CLEANING SUPPLIES cont'd

- ♥ Trash bags
- ♥ Toilet paper
- ♥ Paper towels
- ♥ Lysol disinfectant spray & wipes
- ♥ Simple Green all-purpose cleaner
- ♥ Nitrile/vinyl gloves
- ♥ Jugs of white vinegar

OFFICE SUPPLIES

- ♥ Copy paper
- ♥ 1st-class stamps
- ♥ 3-tab manila folders
- ♥ Colored 2-pocket folders
- ♥ Batteries (AA, AAA & 9V)

OTHER

- ♥ Gift cards to Staples, Walmart, Target, PetSmart, The Mill, Tractor Supply, Home Depot, etc.
- ♥ Gas gift cards

ALL DONATIONS ARE DUE BY WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24TH

You are invited to celebrate **Science, Technology, Reading, Engineering, Art and Mathematics** at Darlington Elementary School!



Please join us for **Growing Together STREAM Night**
Thursday, April 18
from 5:30~7:30pm

We will provide a pizza dinner in the cafeteria from 5:30-6:00.
From 6:00-7:30, participants will take part in STREAM stations.

Following dinner, students will rotate through different activities that will use the components of STREAM (Science, Technology, Reading, Engineering, Art, Mathematics) to create a terrarium.

*This event is open to **current** Darlington Elementary students and up to **two** adults per family.*

Please tear off the bottom portion and return it to school by **April 9** so that we can plan for dinner and materials!

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We will attend Growing Together STREAM Night on April 18!

Student Name _____

Number of Adults: _____

We hope you can join us for this awesome event!