

Darter Tacklebox Week 19, January 14, 2024

Good evening, Darlington Elementary School! We are Live here at the Bubble. This is Alberta Porter, with our kindergarten teacher, Mrs. Veet, and fifth grader, Madelyn.

Darter Scholars – our second graders did a fantastic job in mathematics showing their understanding of using place value to solve equations of comparisons (Subtraction.)

Winter Weather - please remember to have students wear a jacket or coat on chilly days. Please remember that students need jackets to go to recess, especially when the temperatures drop as they did this week.

From the Office-just a reminder to notify us if your contact information changes, that means cell numbers and addresses (both house and email).

Report Cards-will be visible in HAC on Friday, 1/26/23. As a continued courtesy to families, we will print hard copies of the report cards which will be sent home on Monday, 1/29/23.

PTA – The PTA continues to do a fantastic job with planning events. Continue to reach out to them to volunteer your time and skills. The next event will be the February Breakfast with Someone Special on **February 9, 2023. Please use the RSVP that will be sent home in a week or so.**

Growing Together as Readers – if you have not yet done so, please turn in your December Reading Tracker to Mrs. Guzman.

Save the Date – Our annual Talent Show will be held on February 22nd. More information will be sent home in the coming days.

AND NOW.....it is time for the Corny jokes of the week! In case you haven't noticed, the days are starting to get longer, our jokes are in honor of the Winter Solstice.

Q. Why did the winter solstice start a comedy show?

A. To bring light to the darkest day.

B. **What's a snowman's favorite winter solstice activity?**

C. "Chilling" with friends.

Have a seasonable Sunday and a mittens Monday.

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

School Spirit Days – January - June

SC - January 12 – Pajama Day

SC - February 2 – Tie Dye Day

February 9 – Sports Jersey Day

Random Acts of Kindness Week:

February 12 – “I’m Dreaming of a Kind World!” Wear pajamas (no slippers)
February 13 – “Peace, Love & Kindness!” Wear tie-dye or a peace sign shirt.
February 14 – “We LOVE Kindness!” Wear red and/or pink.
February 15 – “Work Out Problems With Kindness!” Wear work-out clothes.
February 16 - “DAES Chooses Kindness!” Wear a Darlington shirt or the color blue.

Reading Month Activities:

March 1st- **Read Across America Day** (Wear red, white, and black or Dr. Seuss attire)
March 6 **Wordy Wednesday** (Wear a Word on your shirt)
March 8 **Dress to Impress** (Wear Red Carpet Day dress nice)
March 12 **Wacky Sock Day** (Wear Socks Day)
March 15 **Cozy up with a Good Book** (Wear PJs and bring a flash light to school)
March 18 **Reading is "Super Fun"** (Wear Your favorite Super Hero shirt)
March 21 **Book Character Day** (Dress up as your favorite Book Character)

April 2 – Autism Awareness Day – wear blue

SC - April 19 - Workout Day

SC - May 10 - Beach Day

***SC – Identified by Student Council**

Have a spectacular Sunday and a motivating Monday!**Reminders:**

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.

From the School Counselor-Mrs. Mussini- From Mrs. Mussini, Our School Counselor: Through the generosity of community partners, we have many coats available. If you are in need of the following sizes, please contact Mrs. Mussini at 410-638-3700.

- Girls & Boys 5/6
- Girls 7/8
- Girls & Boys 10/12
- Girls & Boys 14/16

Also, as always, I am here for your child and your family. If I can be of assistance in any way, please do not hesitate to reach out to me!

DARLINGTON ELEMENTARY PTA MEMBERSHIP

We encourage each family to join the PTA. Your \$10 membership fee per person gives you a voting voice in the PTA. Even if you don't plan to attend meetings, we encourage you to become a member as a way to continue the PTA efforts at your child's school. Please complete the membership form below and return it to the school with your child by **September 29th**. You can also join and pay online with MemberHub: <https://darterspta.memberhub.com/store> *Note there is a small transaction fee online*



Being part of your child's PTA is an opportunity contribute to your child's school experience. We welcome each of you to be involved in a way that works with your schedule. We appreciate all levels of help! Involvement brings a sense of accomplishment, appreciation for the events at school, camaraderie, friendship and an opportunity to learn new skills and share your talents!

Please plan to attend our next PTA Election/Meeting on Thursday, September 7th at 7pm at Darlington Elementary School. If our facilities request is not approved the meeting will be at Francis Silver Park instead.

For questions about the PTA, contact DAES PTA via email darlingtonelempta@yahoo.com

Please detach below & return to your child's teacher by Sept 29th. THANK YOU!

Membership cards are sent by email – please provide a unique email for each member!!

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Darlington Elementary School PTA 2023-2024 Membership Application

Please provide the names of each parent or caregiver to be included in the membership. We also ask you to list the name of each child attending Darlington Elementary School.

Member Name _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Is this Member willing to Volunteer to Support PTA Activities YES NO

Member Name _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Is this Member willing to Volunteer to Support PTA Activities YES NO

Enclosed is \$ _____ (Please include \$10 for each adult member. Make checks payable to DAES PTA)

Your Darter's Name(s)

Student Name _____ Grade _____

Student Name _____ Grade _____

Student Name _____ Grade _____