



Darter Tacklebox Week 13 November 19, 2023

Good evening, DARLINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL! WE are LIVE Here at the BUBBLE. This is proud principal Alberta Porter, and your proud assistant principal, Danielle O'Neill with second grader Hailey and fourth grader, Declan.

Darter Scholars-Artists among us! Congratulations to Lupe, Brianna, and Jacob whose artwork will be featured in the County Wide II Art Show! We also congratulate our Soaring Darters.

When we think about Math and Reading Instruction, there are many component parts to the day's instruction. Let's hear about what happens during reading?

Our teacher conducts a mini-lesson. This is the point in the lesson where the teacher reviews what we will be learning, why we learn it, and models it in 1 short lesson, often with a text we have already read. It is short, that is why it is called the mini lesson.

Workshop Time-this is the heart and soul of reading because we are working independently with our own books to make sure we are applying the skill.

While we are working, you could see small groups of 1-4 students meeting with our teacher to practice the skill from the mini lesson and you might also see the teacher conferencing with a student during this time taking notes on our strengths and weaknesses. During this time, our teacher will also stop and remind us of the teaching point.

We just started our Joe Corbi fundraiser and we need your help.

Here's how you can help:

- Order from the brochure you may have received or shop online. We earn profit from every item ordered. There are many delicious choices including meals and desserts for your family.
- You can also help us by registering your child as a Participant to help spread the word about our fundraiser to your family, friends and coworkers via text, email or social media. Just go to joecorbi.com and click "Participation Registration"
- Sales end November 27th. Pick-up will be December 18th from 4 to 6 pm. Thank you in advance for your help!

Growing Together as Readers- - Our stamina total for the month of October was 25,442 minutes!!! Please continue to turn in your Stamina Tracker to Mrs. Guzman.

Picture Retake Monday, 11/27/23-Give Ms. Gena a call to get on the retake list.

Student Council Thanksgiving Food Drive- Thank you for supporting the successful Food Drive.

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

Q. Why was the Thanksgiving soup so expensive?

A. It had 24 carrots.

Q. Why do turkeys gobble?

A. Because they never learned table manners.

Have a Seasonal Sunday and a Merry Monday!

Report Cards-grades were visible in HAC on Friday, November 17th.

As a courtesy to families, a printed copy of the report card will be sent home on Monday, 11/20/23. Please use the printout to help guide your reflection about habits and attitudes, strengths, and weakness to set goals for continued growth.

REMIDERS:

Volunteers Needed: Please see the volunteer expectations and opportunities for volunteering at DAES.

Weather has Changed-please remember to have students wear a jacket. Please remember that students need jackets as the temperature in the different parts of the building can be chilly, to go to recess, and if we have an evacuation.

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- Now that the weather is getting cooler, if your child is in need of a coat, please reach out to me. We have a few sizes available. 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 you!

School Spirit Days: please see the below list there are lots of spirit days in the next few weeks.

Revised as of 10/4/25 School Spirit Days

SC - October 18 – Movie/TV Character Day (wear a shirt or outfit of your favorite TV or movie character)-this was a great school-wide participation spirit day! Thanks to all who participated!

Red Ribbon Week:

October 23 – We are “Red-y” To Be Drug Free! Wear red to kick off Red Ribbon Week.

October 24 – “Band Together Against Drugs!” Wear a bandana.

October 25 – “Say BOO To Drugs!” Wear a Halloween shirt or black and orange.

October 26 – “Our School Chooses To Be Drug Free!” Wear a DAES shirt or the color blue.

October 27 - “I’m A Jean-ius Because I’m Drug Free!” Wear jeans. / Pink Out Day – Wear Pink

SC – October 31 – Fall Shirt Day – wear an orange, black, and/or purple shirt or a fall shirt (no costumes)

Career Week:

November 6 – “It All Starts Here!” Wear a DAES shirt or the color blue.

November 7 – “Dress For Success!” Dress up for a job interview.

November 8 – “I’m Dreaming of A Successful Career!” Wear pajamas. (No slippers)

November 9 – “Work Hard And It Will Pay Off!” Wear work-out clothes.

November 10 - “You Can Be Anything You Want To Be!” Dress up as your future career.

SC - November 17 – Western Day

SC - December 8 – Favorite Color Day

Holiday Spirit Week:

December 18 – Candy Cane Day

December 19 – Holiday Character Day

December 20 – Winter Fun Day

December 21 – Jingle Bells / Holiday Bling Day

December 22 – Holiday Shirt Day

SC - January 12 – Pajama Day

*SC – Identified by Student Council

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 _____

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