

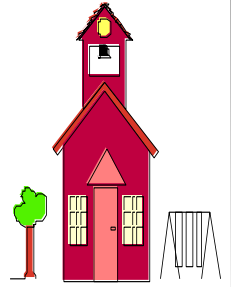


# The Fairview Connection

**FAIRVIEW SCHOOL**  
300 N. Fairview Avenue  
Mt. Prospect, IL 60056  
Dan Ophus, Principal



**January 16, 2015**  
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Dear Fairview Families,

Happy New Year! I hope this message finds you rested and ready for the new calendar year after enjoying time with family this holiday season. We are excited to be back in action after the winter break and have already had an action-packed two weeks of January.

Today officially marks the halfway point of our school year. Teachers have been learning more about our new curricular materials in both reading and math for almost twenty weeks. Our new math program, Math in Focus, has created quite a shift in how we are instructing our students. I've heard many comments from parents that the new methods of teaching math have been a bit confusing at times. In light of these comments, I thought I'd share an article I came across during the fall that gives some rationale as to why we are teaching math the way we are using our new program. While this article isn't specifically about Math in Focus, the ideas presented follow a similar philosophy. By taking about 5 minutes to read through the article, I believe parents will gain a deeper appreciation for some of the new methods being utilized in our classrooms. I encourage you to watch the Khan Academy video that is embedded in the article as well. [Click here](#) to learn more.

Last Friday, students had the opportunity to show us their current reading fluency rate through participating in our Winter Benchmarking Day. Homeroom teachers brought their classes to the LRC where students sat with a staff member and read three separate passages for one minute each. Their benchmarking score that we recorded was the median number of words per minute that they read out of the three passages. Along with our reading fluency benchmarking, students also took the M-CAP (math concepts and applications) screener during their first week back from winter break. This assessment is an 8-minute timed test that assesses students' abilities to apply the concepts they are learning in math class. Throughout the entire month of January, students' reading comprehension is also analyzed using the Fountas & Pinnell reading assessment. This assessment helps generate a reading level for each child and helps teachers direct further instruction. All school-wide data will be analyzed later this month during our data day where teams of teachers gather together to look at the data and determine if students need further reading or math intervention beyond their typical classroom instruction. If you have any questions about this process, please feel free to contact your child's classroom teacher.

Over this past week, several students took part in our Fairview Follies auditions. Many of our students will be selected to perform in the annual Fairview Follies show on Thursday, January 29<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. We hope to see you there! As we head into next week, please note that there is no school on Monday to celebrate the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Tuesday is a non-attendance day for students, as teachers will be participating in professional development during our district-wide institute day. We look forward to seeing students again on Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>. I hope you have a wonderful weekend!

Sincerely,

Dan Ophus  
Fairview Principal



**MONDAY, JANUARY 19**  
**NO SCHOOL**  
**MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY**

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 20**  
**NO SCHOOL**  
**STAFF INSTITUTE DAY**

## Math Message from Mrs. Visser



Why Practice Mental Math:

- ...develops number sense
- ...provides practice with place value skills
- ...gives immediate feedback on student understanding
- ...develops memory and mental organizational skills
- ...allows auditory learners a chance at success
- ...can be done anytime & anywhere

Cassy Turner Resource Handbook

REMEMBER THAT THE OFFICE ALWAYS HAS COPIES OF ANY FORMS THAT ARE ATTACHED TO THE FRIDAY PACKET.



### FROM THE NURSE....

If your child has had a fever or been vomiting they need to remain home until they are fever free and/or not vomited for 24 hours.

If your child requires medication to be given when he/she returns to school, you must provide the following:

1. An order from the doctor,
2. Parent's signature on medication form (obtain from the school nurse), and
3. Medication in original container.

\*\*\*\*NOODLES NEEDED\*\*\*\*

Prop production has begun for this year's 5th grade musical! I know that it's not pool season, however, if you have any pool noodles that you no longer use, we could use them. Just drop them off in the office at your earliest convenience.



Thank you!

Chris Donna  
Art



This is a reminder that all current **2nd Grade** students must show proof of a dental examination by **May 15, 2015**. There is an 18 month window of opportunity to meet this requirement. If your 2nd grade student has been to the dentist anytime since Nov. 15, 2012, please take the dental form to your dentist and have it completed, then return the form to the Health Office by May 15, 2015. All **5th Grade** students may also turn in their dental forms at this time and it will apply towards the 2015-2016 6th Grade school year.

Dental exam forms can be found on the District 57 web site at [www.d57.org](http://www.d57.org), click on **Resources**, then **Health Information**. See Dental Forms on the right side of the screen under **Downloadable forms**. Dental forms are also available at any District 57 School Health Office.

**PIZZA HUT BOOK IT! READING PROGRAM**

Fill in the minutes you read in January and turn in your completed logs to the LRC. Any student who reads 360 minutes in January will get a coupon for a free personal pan pizza.



**GREAT AMERICA "READ TO SUCCEED" READING PROGRAM**

Receive a free admission ticket to Great America for completing six hours or 360 minutes of recreational reading. Reading logs must be turned into the LRC by

Friday, February 13.

**PARKING LOT DROP OFF ZONE**

If you drop your student(s) off in the back parking lot in the morning, please help us to keep traffic moving. Pull up as far as possible, have your child exit your car immediately, and proceed out of the parking lot. Be mindful that there are cars behind you that are dropping their students off as well. Thank you for your cooperation.

**NEVER LEAVE YOUR CAR UNATTENDED IN THIS LINE.**

**5th GRADE ACTIVITIES**

**SKATE NIGHT FOR FAIRVIEW & LIONS PARK 5TH GRADERS**

Orbit Skate Center  
Monday, February 2, 2015  
6:30 p.m.—8:00 p.m.



See the attached flyer. Make sure to get your registration form in by the due date...**no late registrations will be accepted.**



Come prepared for outdoor recess during the winter months. The students go out if the temperature (real feel with wind chill) is **above 16 degrees**. Students that do not have snow pants, boots or gloves will be restricted to the pavement and not allowed in the snow during recess.

**Be in the know...District shares information from local organizations**

District 57 families are fortunate to live in a community that offers so many opportunities for children! Please see the flyer in this week's packet that provides links to information about upcoming registration deadlines and events. The District administration office is pleased to share this information from local organizations.

**JANUARY/FEBRUARY EVENTS TO VIEW**

Monday, January 19  
Tuesday, January 20  
Thursday, January 22  
Friday, January 23

Tuesday, January 27  
Wednesday, January 28

Thursday, January 29

Friday, January 30  
Monday, February 2

Wednesday, February 4  
Thursday, February 5  
Friday, February 6

**NO SCHOOL-MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY**  
**NO SCHOOL-STAFF INSTITUTE DAY**  
Family Hoops Night, 5:00 p.m.—7:45 p.m.  
**STUDENT COUNCIL SPIRIT DAY—TWIN/TRIPLET DAY**  
Progress Reports mailed  
Trash-Free Lunch  
**3rd Grade chorus resumes**  
Fairview Follies rehearsal, 3:30 p.m.—6:00 p.m.  
**4th/5th Grade chorus resumes**  
Fairview Follies performance, 6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.  
**STUDENT COUNCIL SPIRIT DAY—FOOTBALL DAY**  
PTA meeting, 7:00 p.m.  
5th Grade Activities Roller Skating Party, 6:30 p.m.—8:00 p.m.—Orbit  
5th Grade Health Presentation Parent Information Night, 7:00 p.m.—Fairview LRC  
Board of Education Business meeting, 7:00 p.m.—Fairview  
PTA Special Lunch—Dairy Queen





**PTA IN ACTION**

**5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE SKATE NIGHT**  
**FOR FAIRVIEW AND LIONS PARK!**

It's time for the next 5<sup>th</sup> grade activity – a skating party at Orbit with our Lions Park friends! If your child can attend, please return the attached permission slip and fee by **January 23, 2015** in an envelope marked 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Activities: Skating Party.

Date: Monday, February 2, 2015

Time: 6:30-8:30 p.m.

*\*Pick-up is at 8:30 p.m. You must enter Orbit Skate to pick up your child.*

Place: Orbit Skate Center, 615 S. Consumers Avenue, Palatine

Admission: \$5 per person (please add \$3 if you would like to include skate rental)

*\*if you own your own skates, we encourage you to bring them*

Snacks: No outside snacks allowed in Orbit. You can bring money for the concession stand.

**Wear your 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Activities shirt and come have some fun!**

Questions? Contact: Lisa Lundvick at [lisalundvick@yahoo.com](mailto:lisalundvick@yahoo.com)

-----**Return bottom portion by January 23, 2015**-----

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade Skating Party**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (make checks payable to Fairview PTA)

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE A PARENT VOLUNTEER PLEASE CHECK HERE

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_



## Book It! Reading Incentive Program

All Fairview students are invited to read, fill in the reading log, and earn a free personal pan pizza coupon from Pizza Hut, if you reach or exceed the January reading goal of **360 minutes**.

Your name will also go up on your grade's Book It! poster in the LRC when you turn in your first completed reading log. Read all six months and you may win a special prize.

Q - How do I participate?

A - Each day you read at home, fill in this reading log by recording the minutes you spend reading. Count up the total number of minutes you read during the month, fill in your first and last name, your grade and teacher's name. Then, have an adult sign to verify the log and return it to school.

Q - Do I have to wait until the end of the month to turn in my log?

A - No, you can turn in your log as soon as you reach or exceed the monthly goal. Turn in your log by the date indicated on the calendar or sooner.

Q - Do I have to read and fill in minutes every day?

A - No, you do not have to read every day. You will be able to exceed this month's goal by reading 20 minutes a day five times each week.

Q - Some days my teacher gives me a homework assignment to read 15 or more minutes at night. Can I count that reading time when I fill in the Book It! reading log?

A - Yes, you can count that time if you are reading outside of school hours. Any reading done at home counts.

Q - I like to read comic books and graphic novels, or nonfiction books. Does that count?

A - Yes, you can count the time you read books, magazines, newspapers, or comic books. Any kind of reading counts.

Do you have other questions about Book It? Contact the LRC Staff:

Ms. Kennedy ([pkennedy@d57.org](mailto:pkennedy@d57.org))



# January 2015

Our January goal is **360 minutes** of reading

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Weekly Totals
				1	2	3	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	

Student Name: _____ Class: _____ Parent/Adult Signature: _____ LRC STAFF ONLY Poster _____ Coupon _____	Total minutes read this month: _____
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RETURN TO THE FAIRVIEW LRC NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, FEB. 6, 2015



**Dear Families,**

Welcome to the Six Flags® Read to Succeed Six Hour Reading Club!

Your child's school is participating in an exciting program that encourages students in grades K through 6 to read for fun. *Read to Succeed* is a free program sponsored by Six Flags Theme Parks. Every student who completes six hours of recreational reading before the school's deadline noted below is eligible for a free admission ticket valid at one participating Six Flags Theme Parks. Students will develop a greater appreciation for books when they see that you think reading is important too. You are sure to have fun as you investigate the world of reading together!

**Here's what you need to know:**

- Only students in grades K through 6 are eligible to participate.
- Review the attached reading log. Your child should use this sheet to record what and how long he/she reads.
- Your child must complete six hours, or 360 minutes, of recreational reading.
- Please initial each entry and then sign the reading log to verify that the six hours of reading has been completed.
- Your child can read books, magazines, newspapers, or comic books. Reading for homework or a class assignment does NOT count.
- Students can read silently, aloud, or with an adult—you can read to your child, or your child can read to you.
- Remind your child to return the reading log to his/her teacher by the date on the log.
- Late entries will NOT be accepted.

**About the Tickets**

- Tickets will be awarded to students by their teacher/coordinator.
- The ticket is valid for admission to **one** Six Flags theme park on **select dates only** during the 2015 season. Park name and valid dates will be printed on the tickets.
- Tickets are valid for students in grades K-6 only and are not valid for anyone over the age of 13. No exceptions.
- Each ticket is valid for one free admission only.
- Tickets are not for resale and are nontransferable.
- They cannot be replaced if lost, stolen or damaged.

We hope that you, and your child enjoy this free program and spend time reading together.

**Happy Reading!**

The Six Flags® Read to Succeed Team

Please return the reading log to the **LRC** by:

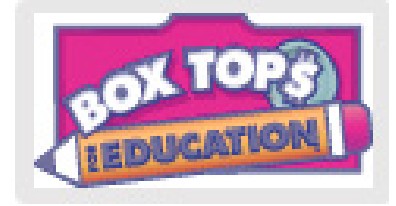
**Friday, February 13, 2015**

Any questions, please contact Mrs. Potratz in the LRC at [mpotratz@d57.org](mailto:mpotratz@d57.org)



# Keep Clipping This Winter

Keep collecting those Box Tops. We have already earned \$1750 for the school this year! A big part of that is thanks to our local WalMart store. They donated \$1,000 of Box Tops to Fairview School. How generous of them!



This year we are asking for you and your children to attach your box tops to the next page with tape. This will save our volunteers a lot of time!

IT IS THIS EASY...

1. Print copies of the next page and TAPE your box tops to it.
2. Please do not include any expired box tops and do NOT staple them!
3. Send to the office or put in the bins in the office.
4. Each sheet = \$2.50 for the school!

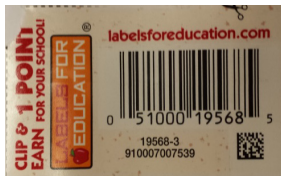
This is an easy activity for your kids to do, remind them that doing this helps them get new gym equipment, music equipment, etc. They benefit by helping out.

*Of course we won't turn away any little baggies of box tops so if you don't have the time to tape them it is ok!*



**As we brave this cold weather – don't forget to cut off the Labels for Education UPC's from the back of all Campbell's soups and other products!**

***Make sure the UPC is included with the labels you submit. Without them it doesn't count!!!***

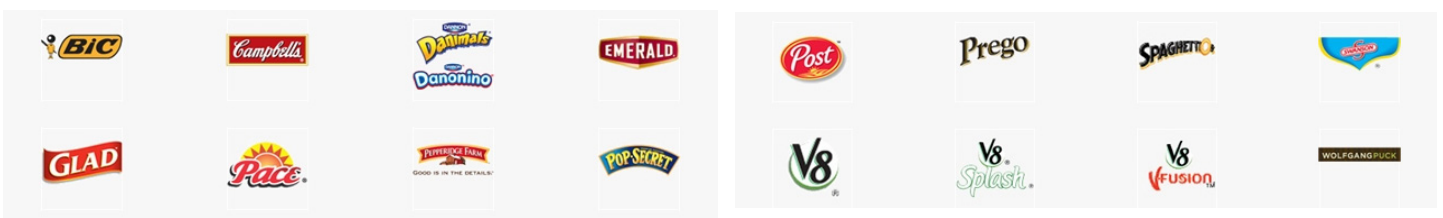


**Correct!**



**Wrong!**

Last year we were able to buy the school gym balls, a ball equipment cart, paper shredder, pencil sharpeners, DVD games that they use on indoor recess days and even a microwave. Every little bit counts! Keep clipping and sending in!







# COLLECT BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION™ FOR YOUR SCHOOL!



Start clipping Box Tops today to help your kid's school. Every Box Tops clip is worth 10¢ and quickly adds up to money that can help your school buy what it needs. Simply look for pink Box Tops on products, clip them and give them to your school. For more information on the Box Tops for Education program, including a list of participating products and how much your school has earned to date, visit [www.btte.com](http://www.btte.com). Thanks for your help!




- 1** Clip Box Tops. Don't forget to check the expiration date.
- 2** Tape or glue Box Tops on this sheet.
- 3** Send completed sheet to your school.

Teacher name: \_\_\_\_\_



## ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

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701 West Gregory Street - Mount Prospect, Illinois 60056  
P (847) 394-7300 | F (847) 394-7311 | [www.d57.org](http://www.d57.org)

## Kindergarten Enrollment

District 57 will be utilizing an enrollment and registration process for kindergarten for the 2015-2016 school year. There will be three components to this process: an online portion beginning on January 5<sup>th</sup>, enrollment at Westbrook School beginning January 20 and an online registration in Spring. In order to enroll in kindergarten, children must be five years old by September 1, 2015. All District 57 kindergarten students attend Westbrook School, 103 South Busse Road.

### January Enrollment

#### *Online Pre-Enrollment Intake*

Beginning on January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015, our Online Intake will be accessible to parents on our District and Westbrook websites to submit basic information and download forms of interest. This required, online component allows for a more efficient experience during our in-person enrollment portion.

#### *In-Person Enrollment*

For the second portion of this process, **parents will need to come to Westbrook School on January 20, 2015 between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.** During this time, parents will be required to bring in your child's original birth certificate and proof of residency: state-issued picture ID, two different current utility bills for two consecutive recent months and either a copy of a lease, monthly mortgage statement or current tax bill. Incoming students need not be present.

### Spring Registration

Parents who have completed the enrollment process in January and proven residency will be allowed to take part in the district online registration scheduled for Spring. This step will give kindergarten parents a chance to review and update information collected in January, as well as pay necessary fees. Additional information about May Registration will be sent out at a later date.

### Dates to Remember:

**January 5<sup>th</sup>:** Online Intake open (links on District and Westbrook websites)

**January 20<sup>th</sup>:** Westbrook Enrollment for all Kindergarten Parents - 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.



## WESTBROOK SCHOOL FOR YOUNG LEARNERS

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103 South Busse Road - Mount Prospect, Illinois 60056

P (847) 394-7340 | F (847) 394-7349 | westbrook.d57.org

### *Circle of Friends Registration 2015/16*

Our Circle of Friends Pre-School Program is beginning registration for the 2015/16 school year. This program provides a naturalistic early childhood environment that is rich in language and literacy experiences and recognizes children as active learners. Our program combines children with and without special needs in a developmentally appropriate pre-school class.

Registration for the 2015/16 Circle of Friends Preschool Program lottery will be on Tuesday, February 3 through Thursday, February 5, at the Westbrook School office from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Students currently enrolled in the program will be guaranteed enrollment for next year. Our AM and PM sessions will include children ages 3 to 5 (multi-age/multi-ability). Every consideration will be given to AM/PM requests.

Spots are limited and students will be enrolled using a lottery system. Only residents of District 57 will be accepted into the program. On February 9 and 10, 2015, parents will receive a phone call confirming or denying acceptance into the program. If denied, parents may choose to have their child put on a waiting list. Written verification will follow. An application is complete only when a completed application form, a completed Home Language Survey, an original birth certificate (will copy and return original), and a registration fee of \$100 are all received in our office. We also need to verify residency with the following documents:

Provide one of the following:

- Driver's license
- state ID card
- and-

Provide one of the following:

- lease document
- monthly mortgage statement
- tax bill and proof of payment
- letter of residence form
- and-

Provide two each of the following:

- Gas bill (current & previous month)
- Electric bill (current & previous month)
- Water bill (current & previous month)
- Telephone bill (current & previous month)
- Cable bill (current & previous month)
- Credit Card bill (current & previous month)
- Other bill (current & previous month)

**Transportation is not provided by the district and is not an option.**

Please call (847) 394-7340 if you have any questions.

D57 EDUCATION FOUNDATION  
**EVENING** *for*  
**EDUCATION**

**SATURDAY**  
**02.28.15**

**80's Gala**

**6pm-midnight**

**Meridian Banquets**

**1701 W. Algonquin Rd., Rolling Meadows**

**\$100 per person includes hors d'oeuvres, dinner,  
dancing, open bar, silent and live auctions**

**Please consider donating to Fund-A-Cause today**

Every year the Ed Foundation raises funds to support a specific "need" supported by the school district. This year, the district has identified a need for more Chromebooks. Chromebooks are fast, intuitive, and easy-to-manage computers that connect students and teachers with the power of the web. They have quickly become an essential tool for students and teachers to communicate and collaborate on a wide variety of educational projects.

Visit our website to purchase tickets and make your donation.

<http://57edfoundation.org>



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**The District 57 Administration Office is pleased to present this information about upcoming events and news from local organizations that serve our community's children.**

**Prospect Poms Clinic for Girls K-8**

The clinic is Saturday, January 17<sup>th</sup> from 12 pm until 3 pm. The performance is Friday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 pm. More info, <http://phs.d214.org/> or email [courtneyleaka@yahoo.com](mailto:courtneyleaka@yahoo.com)

**FUN BOLLYWOOD DANCE CLASS AT THE LATTOF YMCA FOR WINTER 2015**

Starting end of January! This is a great way to explore new cultural dances through Indian music and dance techniques. Visit Meher Dance Company at [www.meherdance.com](http://www.meherdance.com) or 773-295-4674.

**Registration for Fall Preschool and ½ Day Kindergarten Enrichment Programs At**

St. Mark Preschool & Enrichment Center begins at their Open House, Saturday, January 31 at 10:00 a.m. (District 57 bus service available) More info: 847-253-0631 or <http://www.stmarkpreschoolcares.org/>

**Annual DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE February 7, 2015**

Dad's treat your girls ages 3-12 to an enchanted evening of fun from 7pm-9pm at Prospect High School! For details, visit [prospectchoir.com](http://prospectchoir.com) or call Karen 847-727-2808.

**iAchieve Learning Tutoring – Tutoring for Grades K-12!**

iAchieve Learning specializes in quality tutoring to accommodate student needs. For more information, go to [www.iachievelearning.com](http://www.iachievelearning.com)

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