The Forest Park Patriot Notes and Quotes

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Dear Parents,

We had two wonderful events occurring this week...our PARP Sing-a-Long and the entire Fifth Grade went off to see *The Wizard of Oz*.

Everyone had a fabulous time at our Sing-a-Long. The songs were great and really epitomized the PARP theme. Prairie Dog Diener was there with his horse Bessie and Lasso Annie Kolodny also made an appearance. In case you haven't heard, I will be sitting atop the school building one day reading; this was the challenge presented to me. It should be a lot of fun.

Although PARP is coming to an end, it is really important that you continue to share the reading experience with your children. Reading broadens knowledge; it opens your heart and mind and makes one courageous enough to try new things. In addition, it is just a lot of fun.

I want to thank Mrs. Lucie for arranging the PARP Sing-a-Long and the *Wizard of Oz* trip as well. The later was a major undertaking and it went very well. In addition, I want our Fifth Graders to know how proud I was; they were fantastic!

Upcoming events include...

Monday, March 30th- Math Olympiads resume at 8:15 in Room 107. Final PARP contracts due. Fifth Graders DVD recording in the cafeteria from 9:30-11:00. SECOND and THIRD GRADES take the IN-VIEW SECTION OF THE TERRA NOVA ASSESSMENTS.

Tuesday, March 31st- GRADE TWO TERRA NOVA ASSESSMENTS.

<u>Wednesday, April 1st- PTA Meeting at 9:30 in the Garden Café.</u> SECOND GRADE TERRA NOVA continues. Pre-Kindergarten Parent Teacher Conferences in Room 107. Classes KG and 5G are visited by the Emergency Squad and ambulance.

<u>Thursday, April 2nd- TERRA NOVA CONTINUES FOR SECOND GRADERS.</u> Third Grade AHAP. All of Fourth Grade is off to see *The Wizard of Oz.* Pre-Kindergarten Parent Teacher Conferences continue in Room 107. ESL Night.

Looking ahead...TERRA NOVA concludes. Fourth Grade AHAP. Classes 5K and 5Mi are off to work at Commerce Plaza. Third Marking Period Ends.

Have a great reading weekend.

Sincerely,

Ross Diener Principal