

## Bear Cub Newsletter ~ Lynn Elementary School

March 17, 2011

### Upcoming Events:

- **SPRING TESTING!!!** 3rd thru 8th will be ARMT testing on March 22 & 23; 3rd only will SAT test on March 28; 3rd thru 8th will SAT test on March 29, 30, & 31; 5th & 7th will take science test on April 5. Be on time; bring "best effort" attitude & eat breakfast! Very important; thank you for supporting your student and our school! We expect GREAT things!
- **Kindergarten Registration** is planned for May 10 (pending Board approval). Be sure to bring your child with you to register; vision/hearing/academic screenings will be given. We ask that you also bring your child's birth certificate, social security card, immunization card (blue slip), and proof of residency (power, gas, or water bill). If you do not have one or more pieces of requested information, come and register anyway; you will have the summer to get all the information turned in.
- Back to Our Future – a Lynn community celebration – March 19 – 8 a.m. until ?
- Spring Break – April 11-15.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Nutrition classes begin April 7 for the next 6 weeks.
- Elementary Enrichment Day is planned for April 21. More about this later...FUN!
- We will be making up our final snow day on Good Friday, April 22. School will be in session all day.
- The kindergarten will be going on their field trip on Friday, April 22.
- Our school will be having a blood drive on May 3; please make plans to give blood.
- The first grade field trip will be Thursday, May 5.
- The second grade field trip will be Friday, May 6.
- The 6<sup>th</sup> grade banquet will be sometime in early May; there will be a parent meeting for planning purposes on Monday, March 21 at 6 p.m. in the lunchroom. All 6<sup>th</sup> grade parents are encouraged to attend. Contact Amy Humphries for more information; her email address is [jakjr93@yahoo.com](mailto:jakjr93@yahoo.com).

### Great Accomplishments:

- 4-H has been going strong; we are proud of our students who have been participating. We have wonderful talent!
- Congratulations to Madison G and Cody T; they were the winners of the Back to Our Future t-shirt contest. You can purchase a t-shirt this Saturday.
- Our St. Jude's Math-A-Thon fundraiser raised \$570! Thank you to everyone who participated!
- Our Bouncing Bears finally got to perform after several snow delays! Good Job!
- Our L.E.S. Spelling Bee winner was Erin B and the runner-up was Harlee B. Congratulations to these winning students!
- The month of February brought our School Mall fundraiser, opened our Valentine's Day store, and students had a great time at our middle school Valentine's Day celebration/dance.
- The 7<sup>th</sup> grade took a field trip to Bevill in Jasper; they saw a Michael Jackson impressionist/performer. It was a super show!
- Haylee B, Lynleigh B, Haleigh C, Hannah H, and Austin J make up our competing Scholar's Bowl team; other team members include: Adi L, Angel J, Blake A, Emma B, and Taylor H. Thank you to Traders and Farmers Bank for paying our \$50 participation fee; we appreciate you!
- Congratulations to Stephen S; he was the Traders and Farmers Bank essay contest winner. Stephen's 5<sup>th</sup> grade class enjoyed pizza, drinks, and dessert that was provided by the bank.
- We celebrated National School Breakfast Week and our lunchroom provided extra-delicious things for us to choose from. Thank you!
- Congratulations to Azaria T, Lexie B, Hannah B, Emma B, and Hannah A; they were all participants in the Alabama Gerontological Essay contest. Each wrote a special essay about their favorite older person.
- We celebrated Read Across America – Dr. Seuss's birthday! Classes decorated their classroom doors and celebrated the occasion with special classroom events. Mrs. Ritter read her favorite Dr. Seuss book over the intercom – "Oh the Places You'll Go."
- Katie H earned a "superior" rating at her piano solo festival.
- Boxtops for Education has provided some small funding for individual classrooms; we encourage our parents and students to bring those "Boxtops for Education" labels to school and give them to their teachers.
- Traders and Farmers Bank provided our library-media center with \$500 which was used toward the purchase of a complete set of the ever-popular Junie B. Jones books. The bank also provided pizza and drinks for the faculty and staff on in-service day; THANK YOU!
- The following things have been added to our school through the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers (21<sup>st</sup> CCLC) After School Program **Grant** funding:
  - ~30 laptop computer stations that are networked and loaded with the latest educational programs and Internet access. (These were donated from Mountain Brook School System, Principal Victor Wilson.)
  - ~Our multi-purpose computer lab was upgraded with 30 new desktop computer stations that are loaded with educational programs and Internet access.

- We are thankful for the grants, businesses, government officials, parents, and community organizations that support our school; without this support, our students would not have what they need to achieve at the high level in which they do. Enjoy the coming spring...summer will be here before we know it!!! ☺