

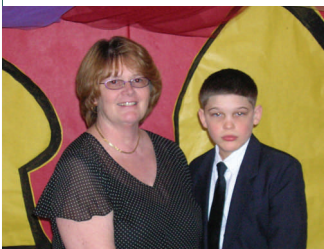
ESC-CC ROSE-MARY CENTER SCHOOL

March, 2009 Newsletter



Calendar of Events

- March 27–3rd quarter ends
- April 10 through 19–Spring break
- May 8–“60’s” prom
- May 14–Very Special Arts in Ohio event
- June 5–Graduation
- June 11–Last Day for Students
- June 12–Last Day for Staff
- August 27–First day of 2009-2010 school year (tentative)



“60’s” Theme Spring Formal—May 8, 2009

This year’s spring formal, “The 60’s” will be held from 1:00 to 2:00 pm on Friday, May 8 in the school gymnasium. Eddie, from Action DJ’s will create the mood, atmosphere and music once again. Mary Alice, Art Therapist is already working with the students on decorating plans. The students and staff will dress up for the occasion and parents are invited to join in the fun. Please call the office if you plan to attend. It’s not too early to indicate to the classroom teacher what your plans are for your child’s prom outfit and to send those clothes in. Prom day is so very busy and pre-planning is a big help to the staff. Also, if you have any clothing you would like to donate that would be appropriate for another student’s use, we would appreciate it very much.

Since January, we welcomed three students to the school. Kristen and Derrick joined Julie’s classroom, and Aniyah joined Rob’s classroom. We also welcomed two new staff members, Nikki in Julie’s classroom and Hazel in Kathy’s class.

In January, Nickie (Rm 7) and Julie (Rm 2) attended a

“Sensory Integration and Sensory Processing Disorder” seminar in Cleveland. Jackie, Cierea and Lena attended seminars on TEACCH methodology (Treatment and Education of Autistic/ Communication Handicapped Children) and its role in working with students with autism spectrum disorders and other disabilities.

To continue complying with Jarrod’s law, the building was tested for radon and the results show there is no radon in any part of the building. If you have any questions about the school’s Jarrod Law compliance, the “notebook” can be seen at any time—just call the office at 216-621-3451.

Now that the weather is starting to warm up, walks to the park or the corner coffee shop, or bus rides to Steelyard Commons to make purchases for cooking lesson happen often. Rm 3 has taken several field trips since January—Lohman’s Plaza to see the movie “Despereaux” followed by lunch at McDonald’s. The class went to the Children’s Museum and saw the barnyard, the sand box construc-

tion, played on the weather channel and in the simulated city playground complete with a simulated RTA bus, picnicked at Euclid Creek, and will be starting a unit on nature (nature walks, computer investigation, and nature movies).

Rm 2 has been taking weekly trips to Wal Mart to purchase food, to bring back and cook for the class’s lunch.

Mr. Miki demonstrated Japanese cooking to class-



room 7 in January—delicious! Some ingredients were purchased in Columbus beforehand in order to maintain the authenticity of the meal. Thank you!

March was nutrition month in Rm 6 learning about the food pyramid, watching videos and cooking healthy foods (chex mix snack, 5 vegetable lasagna, and healthy choices of toppings for pizza). Due to a

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tornado and fire drill, pizza dough rising was postponed to the following day.

Linda Hile, Work Study Coordinator, ESC-CC received the 2009 Coordinator of the Year from the Ohio Association of Supervisors and Coordinators for Exceptional Students. Linda works with graduating students transitioning them from school to Adult Activity Centers. She also brings in outside jobs for some students to work on as part of their fine motor skills development. Linda makes sure that all students have a current RTA ParaTransit pass to enable going on field trips. Congratulations Linda!



Hason is driving the RTA bus, filled with his classmates at the Children's Museum's simulated city.



26th Annual Festival of the Very Special Arts of Ohio

Once again, RMC School program has been invited to display and attend the Very Special Arts in Ohio event held at the Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds in Berea on Thursday, May 14th. The permission to display artwork is attached, **please sign and return by mail or fax as soon as possible**. As last year, several classrooms will be attending the art show. Room 7, Room 8 and Room 4 will ride the RTA Paratransit bus to the Fairgrounds and if weather permits will have their lunch outside on the fairgrounds.



SAVE THE DATE!

May 8, 2009

1-2PM

School Gym

"The 60's" Formal Prom

Please RSVP @ 216-621-3451



Bradley (Room 8) received his Master's Degree qualifying him to be an Intervention Specialist for students with moderate to intensive disabilities. He received his degree from Cleveland State University in December. The students and staff celebrated with tacos and cake! Congratulations Brad!



Know which hobby has probably added years to the longest lived people in the world? It's gardening. Okinawans – whose men typically live to age 78, women to age 86 – have a long tradition of working with soil.