

McCarty Elementary School – MISSION POSSIBLE!
2006 Illinois Honor Roll School Academic Achievement Award Winner

Chuck Wagon Chatter

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CHARACTER COUNTS! Everywhere and All the Time!

This week we are studying the **character traits of loyalty**. Definitions of loyalty include the tie binding a person to something for which eh or she feels allegiance. According to legend, the sunflower has been used as a symbol of loyalty. It follows the sun from dawn until it reaches its highest point and then remains constant through the long afternoon until the sun goes down. There is a connection between loyalty and commitment. When we are loyal to our family, our school, or a team, we remain committed to them no matter what the situation. Please take some time this week to discuss with your child what it means to be loyal.

Without loyalty, you can't have integrity. – Author unknown

“Willy Wonka Junior!”

The 10th Annual McCarty School Musical performances had standing ovations so far! I'm sure tonight's performance will be just as spectacular. The musical was orchestrated masterfully by our Director, Ms. Jeannie Brooks. Our Assistant Directors this year were Ms. Watts, Mr. Lund, and Mr. Smith. Congratulations to the 100 fourth and fifth grade chorus students in the cast for creating such a phenomenal experience for everyone to see.

Thank you to all the parents who helped out with rehearsals, make-up, set design, sewing of costumes and much more! The show could not have gone on without your partnership!

All ticket sales go toward the production costs of “Willy Wonka, Jr.” and to purchase new classroom instruments.

McCarty Dates to Remember – April and May, 2009

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| Fri., April 24 th | School Musical – 6:30-7:30 p.m. Performers come at 6:00 p.m. |
| Sat. April 25 th | Operation Safe Kid – 9:00-3:00 p.m. |
| Mon.-Wed. | |
| April 27-29 | McCarty Book Swap – Choose books for summer reading |
| Fri., May 1 st | 4 th quarter progress reports |
| | PTA Mother/Son Event – Sports Zone (rain date May 8 th) |
| Sat., May 2 nd | Market Day 10:00-11:00 a.m. |
| Tues., May 5 th | Practice Tornado Drill |
| | 2 nd grade Cinco de Mayo curriculum party |
| | General PTA Meeting – 7:00 p.m. - Election of new officers |
| Thurs., May 7 th | Third Grade Poetry Night |
| Fri., May 8 th | NO SCHOOL – School Improvement Day |
| Tues., May 12 th | Volunteer Appreciation Brunch 9:30-11:30 a.m. |
| Thus., May 14 th | McCarty Family Night 6:00-6:30 dinner |
| | “Ease into a Stress Free Summer, Ask the Experts” 6:30-8:30 p.m. |
| Fri., May 15 th | 1 st grade curriculum party 1:00 p.m. |
| Sat., May 16 th | Fine Arts Festival – WVHS |

Operation Safe Kid

WHO: You and your child
WHAT: OPERATION SAFE KID
WHERE: Safety Town -1320 Aurora Avenue
WHEN: Saturday, April 25th, from 9:00-3:00 p.m.
WHY: Have your child fingerprinted and photographed. All information provided is retained with the parents to be used at their description for identification purposes in the event of a missing child.
HOW: The Naperville PD, the U.S. Secret Service Forensic Services Division, along with the Naperville Junior Woman's Club are providing this free opportunity.

Ease into a Stress Free Summer – Ask the Experts

Don't miss the upcoming family night on Thursday, May 14th. This totally free evening will be a lot of fun and very informative. Dinner will be provided in the MPR from 6:00-6:30 p.m. Space is limited for dinner so get your RSVP in soon. From 6:30-8:30 p.m. you will have the opportunity to visit many break out sessions of your choice. Children four and older will be provided with a night of supervised games, snacks and fun.

There will be ongoing raffles during the evening. Prizes range from a new bike courtesy of Mill Street Cyclery in Oswego, games, books, Webkinz, and much more!

Topics to discuss with our experts include, cyber bullying and internet safety, getting organized, how to balance everything you do, summer health and fitness, behavior management, summer learning programs, social/emotional resources, transitioning fifth graders to middle school, and other available community services.

Don't miss this wonderful opportunity. Contact Traci Slater at tntslater@sbcglobal.net no later than MAY 7th, 2009, or call the main office at 630.375.3400.

**When we strive to become better than we are,
Everything around us becomes better, too.**

-Heidi Wills

POWER YOUR CHILD TO SUCCEED!

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