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The Principal's Report

Nellie Sizemore

Thank you for supporting Northern Hills and your children by the wonderful attendance at Open House. Our theme *Ringin' in the Goals* was based on an Olympic theme. Not only did we learn about the Olympic games and great Olympians, but concentrated on the importance of working towards goals.

January brought with its new year, not only Open House, but a flurry of geography bees, spelling bees and other wonderful learning activities. New to Northern Hills is a breakfast program for our students. Beginning at 8:00 each morning, students can be served their choice of a hot breakfast or cereal and milk. The cost is ninety cents and can be deducted from their regular lunch account. Knowing how important nutrition is to learning, we are excited to be able to offer this service.

In February, we enjoy a long stretch of uninterrupted learning time. This is a time our third, fourth and fifth grade teachers are concentrating on teaching the material that children will be responsible for when they take the Oklahoma Core Curriculum Tests in April. Fifth grade students will also take the OCCT Writing test on February 22nd.

The CogAt for second graders is scheduled for February 27-March 1. Also this month, Fifth grade students are taking a field trip to the Oklahoma History Museum on February 1st and fourth graders will be presenting a wonderful patriotic music program on February 23rd.

Please write your children's names in their coats with a permanent marker. When names are in lost jackets we can easily return them. Our Lost & Found is overflowing. I have hung many jackets on the rack above the box so that they can be looked through more easily. I have encouraged your children to look for their lost jackets, coats, hats, gloves, lunch boxes and other items, but many things are still unclaimed. If you are in the building please stop by to check.

Remember to reserve the week of April 10-13 for 3rd, 4th & 5th grade OCCT testing. Please do not schedule absences for your child during this time. The state requires that each child be tested. If you are interested in helping during testing week by being a test monitor please call the office or stop by. A test monitor must be present at all times when teachers are administering the tests.

Thank you for sending us wonderful children with which to work.

