

Monday's Letter
January 25, 2010

Ark Community Charter School

ACCS RAISES MONEY TO HELP EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS IN HAITI

Dear Members of the ACCS Community,

Our brothers and sisters in Haiti need our help and we are responding to their need by raising money to help them. Please help us raise as much money as we can by February 10. Here is what we decided to do as a school community:

Penny Drive (Coordinator: Ms. Shelley)

Ms. Shelley has provided penny containers for each classroom and one for the office area. Please contribute your pennies (and any other loose change!

See flyer inside



Cans and Bottle Returns (Coordinator: Mr. Mark)

Mr. Mark and his fifth graders will lead us on this one. Please bring in all of your returnable bottles and cans to Mr. Mark's classroom .

See flyer on back

Community Dance for 4th, 5th and 6th Graders (Coordinator: Ms. Augustine)

Ms. Augustine, Veronica and Jayda are planning a dance on January 29 from 6:00-8:00 pm. Admission is \$2.00. This is open only to students in these grades.

Bake Sale for Staff and Parents on February 10 Conference Day

(Coordinators: Ms. Flores, Ms. Theresa and Ms. Hope) ACCS Staff will contribute a bake sale item for that day. Please purchase a baked item at the conference!

See info on back page



Jeans Dress Down Day

(Coordinator: Ms. Mary Theresa) Staff and Students will pay in advance for a ticket to wear jeans next Friday, January 29. Students will pay \$1.00 and staff \$2.00.

Our goal is to raise as much as we can by February 10th. If you have any other good ideas, please send them on.

Mary Theresa



Penny Drive for Haiti



With the devastation that has recently hit Haiti, our school has been coming up with ways that we, as a community, can help. One fundraiser that we will be hosting is a penny drive! If you have extra pennies sitting around, think about contributing them to send to Haiti. Each class will have a jar that we will collect the pennies in until February 10th. At that point we will total up how much money we raised and give it to an organization that is directly helping Haiti. Thank you for an organization that is directly helping Haiti. Thank you for any change that you can give.

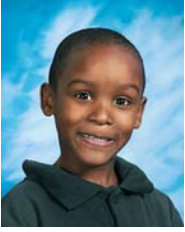
Ms. Flores' 1st Grade Winter Celebration

The last week of December the students in 1A explored winter celebrations through a series of read alouds. We had a weeklong Reading Marathon and slumber party in class. The class shared different discussions of how families celebrate holidays in many different ways. For the Reading Marathon the students read about the winter season using winter holidays thematic books. This was a fun experience for everyone in the class. I was grateful that parents helped make this project a fun one by sending: a special blanket, a cuddly teddy, and hot cocoa. The students had a great time enjoying their hot cocoas while listening to stories. In addition to the readings we also made winter-related ornaments, plenty of decorative snowflakes, and we brought back the feeling of summer by making s'mores.



Ms. Manciocchi's 1st grade Snowflake Poems

Not so long ago the first graders learned about different kinds of poems during writer's workshop. The poems were all about the snow and the winter weather. During the course of this year the students are also learning all about our communities and our five senses. We combined all of those items into poems and the children described the snow in their communities using their 5 senses.



Snow

Looks white
Feels hard
Tastes good
Sounds silent

By: Lah'Quan



Snow

Feels cold
Looks like ice
Tastes like ice
Smells like water
Sounds like nothing

By: Tisa



Snow

Feels fuzzy
Tastes cold
Sounds like blowing wind
Looks like leaves falling
Smells like nothing

By: Trinity



Snow

Looks round
Smells like water
Sounds quiet
Feels soft and cold

By: Emmanuel

Bake Sales ...Fundraising Is A Piece Of Cake !



ACCS is planning a bake sale on February 10th during the Parent Conferences between 11:00am - 5:00pm. We are hoping that having it this day can raise more money to help out Haiti.

chocolate chips cookies sugar cookies oatmeal cookies doughnuts
pies cupcakes muffins brownies cakes chocolate truffles etc...



What: School Dance
Where: ACCS Gym
When: January 29, 2010 6-8pm
Why: To raise money for Haiti
Who: 4th, 5th, 6th Graders ONLY

Admission \$2



1 Slice of Pizza & drink - \$1



(a slice of pizza - \$1)



(a drink \$.50)

Games & Prizes!

If you would like please bring a baked good to sell.

Maaaad HOT Smart Kids Corner



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Use only a number 1-4 in each box.

Use the numbers 1-4 only ONCE in every row & column.

The numbers in each cage (the heavily outlined group of squares) show the answer and the operation you must use to get the answer.

Bring your answer to Ms. Petra for a SMELLY BOOKMARK! EXTRA PRIZE: Ms Petra will contribute a coin to your class's Penny Drive for Haiti.

JEANS DRESS DOWN DAY



Students and teachers may wear JEANS on Friday, January 29 ONLY WITH A \$1 DONATION FOR HAITI

What's Coming Up at ACCS?

For this week, Ms. Kim is serving:

Monday: Hot Breakfast 3rd and 4th grade
 Baked Ziti Green Beans
 Fruit & Milk

Tuesday: Hot Breakfast 5th and 6th grade
 Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup
 Fruit & Milk

Wednesday: Hot Breakfast Kindergarten
 Cheese Nachos Mexican Chicken
 Corn Fruit & Milk

Thursday: Hot Breakfast 1st grade
 Fish Sticks Mashed Potatoes
 Fruit & Milk

Friday: Hot Breakfast 2nd grade
 Pizza Salad Fruit & Milk

Fri, 1/29	6-8pm	Quarter 2 Ends Jean Dress Down Day (see rules above) 456 School Dance (see flyer above)
Sat, 1/30	9-10am	Middle School Exploration Meeting
Fri, 2/5	8:30am	All School Morning Meeting
Tues, 2/9	3:30pm	Board of Trustees Meeting
Wed, 2/10	11:00am	HALF DAY— Parent Conferences Classroom Show of
Works		Book Fair Bake Sale for Haiti Relief
Fri, 2/12	7:45am 11:30am 2pm	January Attendance Star Special Breakfast January Peacemaker Luncheon 2nd Quarter Honor Roll Ice Cream Sunday party

