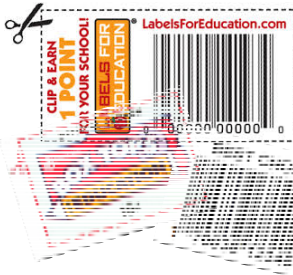




Scranton Attendance Center's

Partners In Education

December 2015 Update



If you have a collection of **Campbell's' Labels for Education**, **Box Tops For Education**, or **Best Choice Labels** please send them to school with your student by Friday, December 4th.

December 4th. Mrs. Gregoire is preparing to send off the labels early next week. If you have time to trim around the labels, that is very helpful as well. We thank you for your support of this project which provides some additional funds to be used for SAC students need and activities.

November has been a very busy month for the Scranton students and staff. Thank you to those who helped fill out and return the SchoolMALL fundraiser booklets. I am not a fan of fundraisers, but the SchoolMALL fundraiser does not require door to door sales or the need to collect money up front yet the school receives benefits. Thank you again for your support in this effort.

Due to your generosity during this Thanksgiving season, enough food items and cash were collected to provide five lucky families with a turkey and all the fixings.



To continue with the spirit of giving, from December 1-21, the SAC students will be collecting warm hats, gloves, and socks to adorn the tree set up in the entry way. Donated items will be given to Help House which provides assistance to those in need throughout Osage county.

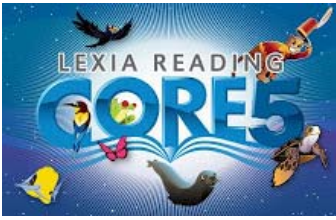


The OAC/SAC Veteran's Day assembly was a wonderful success. The fourth graders, under the direction of Miss Jones, contributed two beautifully performed songs to the event. The students had the opportunity to personally shake hands with and thank the Veterans in attendance.



Several representatives from the Overbrook Rotary Club made a visit to the SAC fourth grade classes on November 17th. Each student was presented with their own personalized dictionary complements of the Rotary Club. We appreciate the generosity of the Rotarians and their continued support of the students in the Santa Fe Trail school district.





Lexia Super Stars!

You may be aware that the district has implemented a new reading resource this year to complement Lead21. At the beginning of September, all students took the Lexia placement test and have been up and running full steam ahead. Lexia focuses on phonetic awareness, phonics, structural analysis, automaticity/fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension. Students earn certificates for each level completed. To pass a level, the student must successfully complete various units comprised of lessons focused on the areas mentioned above. Lexia targets the skills identified for students in grades preK- five. Currently we have three fourth grade students who have completed the program, eleven fourth graders working at fifth grade level, and four third grade students now working at fourth grade level. We are super excited about the success students are experiencing.



Upcoming Events:

Please be sure to mark your calendar with the following events.

- ◆ December 1 - SAC Warmth & Food Drive Begins
- ◆ December 1 - PTO at SAC 6:30 p.m.
- ◆ December 11 - 4th grade to Nutcracker Ballet
- ◆ December 14-18 - Christmas Book Fair
- ◆ December 15 & 17 - Book Fair open until 6:30 p.m.
- ◆ December 18 - Fuel Up to Play 60 Q2 Assembly
- ◆ December 21 - Final Day of SAC Warmth & Food Drive
- ◆ December 23-January 4 - NO SCHOOL Winter Break
- ◆ January 5- Classes Resume



One of the goals this year is to expose the third and fourth grade students to the opportunities they will have as they continue their education. We

have welcomed the dance and cheer teams as well as HS football players and students really enjoyed the opportunity to preview SFTHS's musical The Little Mermaid. Thank you to those of you who joined your student in a full showing of the production. I believe social experiences such as these provide great benefits for our students.

Thanksgiving Writing Challenge

Because I believe in challenging students and writing is an essential element to student success as they prepare for college and careers, in early November the third and fourth grade students were given a voluntary writing challenge. Two prompts were provided. All students chose to write about five things they are thankful to have and couldn't live without.

Two winners were chosen from each grade and one overall winner from those four. The four top winners each received a very nice pen to use as they continue to work on their writing. The grand prize was to have the writing piece published in the monthly parent newsletter.

And the winner is...Kaelee Washington, a fourth grader in Mr. Fawl's class.

I appreciate the effort of all students who took the time and effort to participate in the challenge. The students shared many things which they are thankful to have. Many important people were mentioned as well.

Thank you for supporting your student in all academic areas. The partnership between school and home is a key element in student success.

Thanksgiving

By Kaelee Washington

Five things I am thankful to have that I could never live without are food and water, my family, my dogs, my school and teacher, and holidays.

I am thankful for my mom and dad because they cook my food and drive me to my practices. My sister Kenna keeps me company and when I am upset she makes me laugh.

I am thankful for my two dogs, Reese and Mavis, because they always want to play.

I am thankful for my school and teacher because that is where I learn reading, math, science, and social studies.

I am thankful for holidays because I get to see my entire family.



Wishing you and your family
have a safe, warm, and healthy
Christmas season.

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