

Angling Road School Family Newsletter

Welcome to the week of November 16, 2009

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Mission Statement: The teachers, staff, & parents of Angling Road School will educate our children to be confident, caring citizens, ready for the responsibilities & challenges of the future.

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ANGLING ROAD BOOK FAIR is here! November 16 - November 20!

Parents, staff, & students will be able to purchase books during Parent Teacher Conferences, November 18 & 19, 5:00-8:00 p.m. as well as Thursday, 1:00-3:30 p.m. and Friday, November 20th from 9:00-3:30! We are looking for parent volunteers to help us so please call Lori Minnard 323-6085 to sign up! Check out our Book Fair link for all the details! <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bookfairs/cptoolkit/publish/anglingroad>

CALENDAR DATES: SCHOOL DIRECTORIES are available for \$3.00.

- November 13-20: Portage Community Center Canned & Boxed Food Drive,
Sponsored by Angling Road Student Council and CREW Teams!
- November 16: Report Cards for the 1st Quarter go home with students
- November 16-20: Annual ANGLING ROAD BOOK FAIR (Details below)
- November 18 & 19: Parent Teacher Evening Conferences Students attend school all day as usual. Green Conference slips were sent home last week. Please confirm your time and return the 1/2 sheet to your child's teacher as soon as possible. If you are unable to attend Parent Teacher Conferences at your scheduled time, please contact Deb Slager in the office to reschedule. ***BE SURE TO CHECK OUT THE ANGLING ROAD BOOK FAIR! ***
- November 20: PTO Movie Night – Details were sent home (blue paper)
- November 25: NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS & STAFF
- November 26-27: Thanksgiving Recess
- November 30: Back to School!
- November 30, December 1, December 2: Hearing and Vision Screening for all students
- December 7: 3rd & 4th Graders visit KIA, “Stories without Words” Exhibit – Aesthetic Education Program
- December 8: 5th Grade Choir Concert and 4th & 5th Grade Musical, Dreamcatcher 7:00 p.m. Performance in the gym.
- December 21-January 1: Winter Recess
- January 4: Back to School and Happy New Year 2010!

IMPORTANT PARENT INFORMATION

- **Community Input Needed on District Budget Planning** – Please take a moment to answer this brief survey. Your participation will help the District gauge the community's priorities as the District makes significant changes to the budget. We will be reporting the results on the District web site. Thank you!
<http://www.portageps.org/> Please complete before November 14th. The School Board has a work session to look over the survey results on Monday, November 16th.

- The PTO/Staff presentation from last week's meeting is online - "**Financial Challenges We Face Together**" **Presentation is Online.** The District is communicating with internal and external audiences with this presentation about the budget situation. Click here to view:
<http://www.portageps.org/departments/finance/FinancialStakeholders9Nov2009.ppt>

- **X-COUNTRY SKI EQUIPMENT** – *If you have any used childrens' cross-country ski equipment, please consider donating it to our school. Our 4th & 5th graders go skiing and we could use some additional x-country ski equipment. The Ski Swap is this Friday and Saturday at Wings Stadium. Questions, call Sue Split 323-6028.*

- **Please call in Student Absences - 323-6000 to report your student absent.** Please leave your child's name, grade, teacher, date of, and reason with symptoms for absence. We have an answering machine & expect parents to call if their child is home due to illness, special appointments, and/or special circumstances.

- **Box Tops News - Keep clipping!** To register - www.boxtops4education.com to see all the great offers online. Then go to www.thebigclip.com and enter Angling Road into the contest to win \$50,000! Let's get clipping! **October Box Tops Winners: Mrs. Doren's Afternoon Kindergarten 344 Box Tops and Mrs. Terpstra's 2nd grade 302 Box Tops! Total collected for October 2,387 Box Tops and the AR School Total so far, 10, 300! Check out the PTO Box Tops bulletin board with classroom details!**

- **CAMPBELLS SOUP LABELS! GUESS WHAT?** We just purchased new outdoor soccer goals, new footballs, new soccer balls, and two new plastic horseshoe games with our CAMPBELLS SOUP LABELS! Please keep eating soup and saving those labels! The children of Angling Road THANK YOU SO MUCH!

- **5th Grade Community Service Project** – Note from an Angling Road neighbor - "Dear 5th Grade Teachers, I just wanted to thank you and the fifth grade students for all the leaf raking they did in our neighborhood last Friday. I heard many wonderful comments especially from two neighbors who live near the corner next to us. Thanks again for all your hard work! Best wishes, Anne and Phil Stohrer."

We look forward to seeing all parents/guardians during Parent Teacher Conferences! Be sure to check out the Book Fair too!

