

**February 23, 2007**

### **CSAP Testing Scheduled for March**

The next round of CSAP testing will occur on the weeks of March 5<sup>th</sup> and March 12<sup>th</sup>. This will include the reading for the 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> graders and the writing for 3<sup>rd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grades. We ask that parents do not schedule their vacations and doctor, dentist, and orthodontist appointments during the tests. We also ask that children in the third through sixth grades come to school during those weeks having eaten a good high protein breakfast.

### **Science Fair - April 18 - 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.**

The Science Fair is open to any MPA Elementary students who wish to participate. (The Science Fair is a required assignment for Creative Enrichment Students.) If you want more information, please contact Patty Dwyer's by February 23rd.

All participants must complete a scientific study utilizing the Scientific Method. This includes identifying a problem, stating a hypothesis, creating and completing an experiment and reporting the results in a conclusion. All Science Fair presentations should include research and experiment materials and a well-done presentation board. Work reflected should be the student's, not the parents! Parents are allowed to help as needed. Projects will be evaluated by MPA and outside judges.

Millions of ideas for projects exist at the library or on the internet. Project displays must not include weapons, explosives or toxins. Experiments with food that are brought to the fair should not include nut products. All participants will receive a certificate and participation ribbon. Ribbons will also be awarded for final score and evaluation.

### **Board of Directors Welcomes New Member**

Heather Walter, parent of Alisa in Ms. Dianne's class, has joined the MPA Board of Directors. Heather fills the last open position on the Board for the 06-07 school year. There will be several positions open starting April 2007 when the election of Board members occurs. Parents who are interested in running for the Board should talk to Char or Veronica

### **Spring Fundraisers for 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip**

In an effort to celebrate Earth Day ( April 22 ) and support the 6th grade Yellowstone scholarship fund, the 6th grade fundraising committee will sponsor 1 more fundraising event. Fudderuckers nights will continue.

This fundraiser will be a school wide sale of "Jim Morris's Environmental T-shirts"

The sale will start March 2 and end March 14th. This is a prepay event so please send payment in with order forms. Order forms and small posters of products will be in Friday folders on March 2.

Samples of some of the shirts will be on display in the glass case in the lobby.

Anyone wishing to help with this fundraiser should contact Liz Hughes @ 303-988-0250 or [elizabethhughes46@msn.com](mailto:elizabethhughes46@msn.com)

### **PTA Corner**

We still have many MPA sweatshirts on sale- 2for \$10. The button from denim shirts with the MPA logo are on sale as well for \$15. See Veronica to purchase.

**Watch your Friday folders for information about Spring Break Camp—March 26 through 30.**