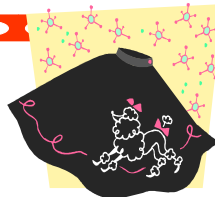




Have you heard the news?



Students that are mastering the standards will be invited to an **Arnco-Sargent Sock Hop**. In order to earn an invitation to the sock hop, students will have to master **nine** standards with **80% accuracy**. Teachers and students are working hard to master these standards. When a student masters a standard they will earn a gold coin. As they master each standard they will move their gold coin to a record on the hallway display. When they have mastered nine standards, their coin will end up in a juke box and they will receive an invitation to the Sock Hop. The Sock Hop will be held on **March 30th**. *Grades K-2 will attend from 12:00-1:00 and grades 3-5 will attend from 1:10-2:20.* Get your fifties attire ready, on March 30th it will be Fifties Day at Arnco-Sargent. Go the extra mile and help your child with their homework, read at least 15 minutes each night and help your child earn an invitation to the Sock Hop. We can't wait to see you there!

February

- 2 Academic Bowl Meet 4-6 @ Central
- 3 Charity Hat Day (tickets \$1.00)
- 6-10 Book Fair
- 6 Tooth Fairy to visit Kindergarten
- Countywide Spelling Bee at PAC @ 6:30
- 9 PTO Meeting @ 6:30 *Arnco's K, 1st, 2nd and 5th Grades will be performing
- GYSTC to visit 2nd Grade
- 10 5th Grade Immune System Lesson
- 13 Progress Reports Issued
- Jr. Beta Meeting
- 15 6 Hour Reading Log due (Six-Flags)
- 16 Academic Bowl Meet 4-6 @ Providence
- 17 Head Checks
- 20-24 **Winter Break (NO SCHOOL)**
- 27 Student Council Meeting

March

- 1 Yearbook Orders due (\$25.00)
- 2 Charity Hat Day (tickets \$1.00)
- 7-8 5th Grade Writing test
- 8 Conference Night, 4:30-7:00
- 15 PTO Fundraiser- **FUN RUN**
- 16 No School
- 19-23 3rd Grade Writing test
- 22 Report Cards Issued
- 30 **SOCK HOP** Celebration

UPCOMING EVENTS

Yearbooks
\$25.00

Feb. 7th-
March 1st

ATTENTION
PARENTS

Arnco-Sargent has a wonderful display of resources for parents to check out from the Computer Lab.

Take some time and help your child out at home with exciting board games, computer games and other great learning tools.

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"Learners For Life"

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Dear Parents,

February is already upon us. While you might see decorations of hearts all around, you can be assured the students are working hard to master the standards. You may wonder why standards are so important to us. The following is from the Parent's Guide to Student Success:

Why are Academic Standards Important?

Academic standards are important because they help ensure that all students, no matter where they live, are prepared for success in college and the workforce. They help set clear and consistent expectations for students, parents, and teachers; build your child's knowledge and skills; and help set high goals for all students. Of course, high standards are not the only thing needed for our children's success. But standards provide an important first step-a clear roadmap for learning for teachers, parents, and students. Having clearly defined goals helps families and teachers work together to ensure that students succeed.

How Can I Help My Child?

You should use this guide to help build a relationship with your child's teacher. You can do this by talking to his or her teacher regularly about how your child is doing-beyond parent-teacher conferences. At home, you can play an important role in setting high expectations and supporting your child in meeting them. If your child needs a little extra help or wants to learn more about a subject, work with his or her teacher to identify opportunities for tutoring, to get involved in clubs after school, or to find other resources.

To find more information on your child's particular grade level, you can go to the Arnco-Sargent Elementary website. There is a link to The Parents Guide to Student Success. We at Arnco-Sargent are Committed to Student Success!

Sincerely,

Dr. Monica Hughes



The Book Fair is Coming to Town



February 6th-10th

The Book Fair will also be open
BEFORE and **AFTER**
the PTO program on
February 10th (in the library)

Times:

5:30-6:15 and 7:00-7:30

Dances from Around The World

*Presented by

Grades K, 1st, 2nd and 5th

*Thursday, February 9th

At the PTO Meeting

*Performance time:

6:30 in the gym

CANDY GRAMS CANDY GRAMS

Be Gifted

The Arnco-Sargent Jr. Beta Club is
selling candy grams for 50¢ each.

Write a short note to your child and we will
deliver it and a sweet treat on
Valentine's Day.

Please put the note and money in a sealed
envelope and send to your child's
homeroom teacher by **Feb. 10th**

Pre-Kindergarten Registration

Arnco-Sargent's PRE-K Registration
will be held March 12th-23rd.
Parents can apply for their child a spot
in the 2012-2013
limited-space Pre-K class.
*All children registering must be four
years old on or before
September 1, 2012.*

We will be accepting Pre-K
applications from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
(Mon.—Thur.)

**Pre-K registration ends at noon on
Friday, March 23rd.**

Drawing for 22 spots will be held on
Friday, March 23rd at 1:00 p.m. in the
Media Center.

Six Flags 6 Hour Reading Logs Due February 15th

Counselor's

Priscilla Lee

Read Aloud to your Child!

Research shows that reading aloud to children is one of the most important
things to do to encourage reading success. Here are some tips from Jim
Trelease's *The Read Aloud Handbook*:

- *Begin reading to your child as soon as possible - no matter how young he/she is
- *Set aside time every day for reading aloud - at least 10 minutes a day
- *Read stories that you also enjoy
- *Read a variety of subject matter and vary the length of your reading
- *Don't confuse length of time with quality - children will remember 10 minutes
of time reading with you far longer than 2 hours of watching TV
- *Don't compete with television. Your child will more than likely choose TV over
reading, but remember you're the adult. Tell your child TV will be turned
off at 7:30. If he/she wants to read a story fine, but if not that's okay
too. Never give a child the impression that reading is the reason they can't
watch TV.

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Valentine Schedule Party

Pre-K	12:15-12:45
K, 3rd, 4th	1:30-2:00
1st	1:15-1:45
2nd	2:00-2:25
5th	1:00-1:30

Charity Hat DAY!

February 3rd
March 2nd

REACH NEWS

REACH Referrals will be accepted
Mar. 14-Apr. 1, 2011. Parents and teachers
may refer only **Kindergarten** students
during this time.
If you have any questions about the REACH
program, please contact **Abby Akins** by
phone (770-254-2830) or e-mail
(abigail.akins@cowetaschools.org).