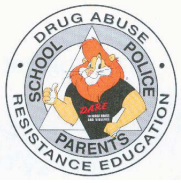


Deputy Bob's Corner



The KidCare Photo ID and finger printing event provides parents with a free, standard sized, high quality, instant photograph of their child which includes current vital statistics. The KidCare Photo ID gives parents "peace of mind" to know that they will have all the appropriate information available if their child is lost or abducted.

No one likes to think it can happen to them, but over one million children are reported missing each year. Authorities say the single most important tool in helping to find a missing child, is a good quality photograph. In fact, one in eight missing children featured in the *National Center for Missing and Exploited Children* photo distribution program are recovered due to the photo.

The Antrim County Sheriff's Office will be conducting a KidCare Photo ID event March 19, 2010 at Mancelona Elementary. Permission slips will be sent home and/or available in the school office. Please make sure your child's slip is returned to the school.

The safety of your child is our main concern. When dropping off or picking up your child please be on time. Some children arrive at the school early and are unsupervised. This also applies to picking up your child at the end of the day.

Let's help keep all the children safe.

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IronKid News

Mancelona Elementary School
Mancelona Public Schools

February/March 2010

Click Your Mouse

Be sure to visit the school web site to learn more about our district and keep up to date on the latest news.

www.mancelonaschools.org

The Student & Parent Handbook is available for review, plus updates and important information. You can find out about the morning arrival time and before school childcare opportunities under the Elementary News link.

Carnival

Carnival is coming! The big event is scheduled for **March 19 from 4:30-6:30pm**. The prize drawings will take place at 6:30pm. Please see the second page of this newsletter for information about a Communities In Schools family event that will follow this year's carnival.

Winter Weather

Please be sure to send your child to school with cold weather gear. We go outside each day, unless the wind chill is below ten degrees. If you need some help to outfit your child, please see Mrs. James.

Making School a Positive Place

Polite, Responsible Ironkids Do their best Each day!

We would like each child to understand this statement and demonstrate *polite* and *responsible* behaviors in all school settings. *That is showing Mancy P.R.I.D.E.!* To help foster making the best choices, we've developed a ticket system to acknowledge appropriate behavior. All adults working in the building can give tickets to students. These tickets are then used in classroom and grade level drawings. At the start of each month each class draws for school-wide recognition and the use of the Wii. These positive tickets are sent home at the start of each month. So, be sure to check those backpacks and bags on March 1, April 5, May 3, and June 7.

Parent-Teacher Conferences

The next round of parent-teacher conferences is scheduled for March 23 & 25. Notes to select preferred times will be sent home a few weeks before the conference dates. Please be sure to complete and return the scheduling slips.

Wertz Warriors



The grade levels competed very hard collecting pennies and other loose change for Michigan Special Olympics. In the end, in addition to the athletes of the winter games, our preschool and fourth grade classes were victorious. The preschool classes earned the most points and the fourth graders earned the most money. All total, our school earned over \$1,800; putting our nine year total over the \$15,000 mark. The annual event generates a lot of excitement and the students certainly enjoy the visit from the snowmobiling Wertz Warriors.

Mark Your Calendars

February 12 & 15	No School
March 5	No School
March 23 & 25	P-T Conf.
March 25 & 26	Half Days
March 26 (noon) to April 5	Spring Break
April 8	Young Author's
April 9	MEF Auction