

PETERSBURG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



Parent Bulletin March 11, 2010

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS

Don't forget to *spring forward* this weekend. Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday morning – set your clocks up one hour before going to bed Saturday night.

FFA PETTING ZOO

Tomorrow, students from Petersburg Elementary will attend a Petting Zoo at PORTA High School sponsored by the FFA. The students will travel to PORTA High School by bus and have the opportunity to see, hear, and pet a variety of different animals. Everyone at Petersburg Elementary looks forward to this annual event and thank Mr. Paulsmeyer and the PORTA FFA for inviting us. The food drive being held in conjunction with FFA Week continues through tomorrow. Students in each class are collecting canned goods and other nonperishable food items for the Menard County Food Pantry. Classes are competing to see who turns in the most items. Students in the winning class will be rewarded for their efforts with a special treat provided by the PORTA FFA.

BOOK BINGO FAMILY NIGHT

On Tuesday, March 16th, PORTA Elementary Schools will be hosting a Book Bingo Family Event at PORTA Central from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. This event is open to all students in Kindergarten through 6th grade in the PORTA School District. Mark your calendars now and plan to attend.

DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENING

Developmental screenings for 3 to 5 year olds will be held in **Greenview on March 19th** and in **Petersburg on April 23rd**. Developmental areas to be checked include speech, language, movement skills, and basic concepts. The screening takes approximately one hour to complete. Please call the Petersburg Elementary School office (632-7731) to make an appointment for either screening.

SOFTWARE ORDERS

Scholastic software order forms were sent home with students last week. Orders are due Monday, March 15th; checks should be made payable to Scholastic. Please feel free to contact Mrs. Thomas by calling the school office if you have any questions.

MARKET DAY NEWS

Market Day's "Sweet Endings" are featured in this month's brochure. This means PORTA Schools earn extra dollars for every pie or cheesecake purchased during this month's sale. Also, the March flyer features a new item *MIC-ROASTED*, which includes seasoning packets and specially vented microwave steam bags which allow you to go from frozen to flavorful in minutes. *MIC-ROASTED* is available in three savory flavors and is perfect for preparing many Market Day items.

Order forms are being sent home with students today and are due back to school by Tuesday, March 16th. Internet orders can be placed up until 11:00 p.m. on Friday, March 19th, at www.marketday.com. Pick-up orders at PORTA Central on Wednesday, March 24th, from 6:45-7:45 p.m. **KINDERGARTEN** parents are asked to assist with the March sale.

CENSUS 2010

The 2010 Census is coming! Every 10 years the Census Bureau counts the entire population. Being counted in the census is important for every community, regardless of where you live. Census data is used to determine the distribution of more than \$400 billion in public funds, so an accurate count of our community is important. Please visit www.2010census.gov for more information about the 2010 Census.

Upcoming Events

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| Mar. 14 | Daylight Savings Time Begins |
| Mar. 15 | Scholastic Software Order Forms Due |
| Mar. 16 | Book Bingo Family Night at PORTA Central 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. |
| Mar. 18 | Early Dismissal (1:55 p.m.) - Parent/Teacher Conferences 5:00-8:00 p.m. |
| Mar. 19 | NO SCHOOL – Parent/Teacher Conferences 8:00 a.m. – Noon |
| Mar. 24 | Market Day Sale @ PORTA Central (6:45-7:45 p.m.) |
| Apr. 1 | Early Dismissal (1:55 p.m.) – Easter Vacation Begins |
| Apr. 2 – 9 | NO SCHOOL – Easter Vacation |

Menu – Week of March 15th

| | <u>BREAKFAST</u> | <u>LUNCH</u> |
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| Mar. 15 | Cereal Toast Juice & Milk | Turkey Roast Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy, Wheat Bread w/ Margarine, Applesauce Milk |
| Mar. 16 | Waffle Sausage Orange Juice & Milk | Hamburger on Bun Oven Potatoes, Peaches, Cake Milk |
| Mar. 17 | Cereal Toast Juice & Milk | Chicken Pattie on Bun Carrot Sticks, Corn Chips, Pineapple Milk |
| Mar. 18 | Egg Casserole Toast Orange Juice & Milk | Hot Dog on Bun Celery Sticks, Sun Chips, Mixed Fruit Milk |
| Mar. 19 | NO SCHOOL | Parent/Teacher Conferences |