

# DOWDS SCHOOL

## February '09' NEWSLETTER



Just the other week I heard we are halfway through the winter season!!! Some of you are probably saying thank goodness as we approach Ground Hog's day. However, with all of this cold weather, this is a great opportunity to help your child find some extra time to snuggle up to a good book. Three tips I always try to give are **Make it Easy**. Keep good books, magazines, and newspapers around the house for all to read. The second tip is **Let's Hear it!** As a family, share things out loud like funny jokes, songs, news stories, etc. Finally the last tip is **Do It!** Let your children see you read for pleasure every day and you will set a good example for them to follow.

As we move into the third nine weeks, we really stress to the kids how important the 3rd nine weeks is to their school year. During this nine week period many new concepts will be introduced to your child for the first time. Because many new concepts will be taking place you might see an increase in homework so students can begin to grasp these new concepts. In advance, I want to thank every parent/family member for taking time every night to make sure their child's homework is completed for the next day.

WE have great kids, families, and teachers here at Dowds and I am just thrilled to be a part of it.

Yours in Education,  
Mr. Walker

Have a question? Email me at [walker.paul@shelbyk12.org](mailto:walker.paul@shelbyk12.org)

### Fourth Grade Honor Roll

Letter grades for progress reports begin with our fourth grade students. We have two levels of recognition. Principal's Honor Roll-all A's; and Merit Roll-all A's and B's. The following students earned recognition through their fine effort for this first nine weeks grading period:

#### All A's

Grace Bihl, Maddi Fidler, Hayden Gray, Seth Gwartz, Jenna Lybarger, Alexa Robinson  
Jaimie Blunt, Mike Clark, Katherine Davis, Reed DeLauder, Sarah Harding, Riley Hicks, Emma Hlad  
Alex Lozier, Carter Copeland, Morgan Hummel  
Cameron Smedley, Morgan Tuttle

#### All A's and B's

Emily Ackerman, Macie Bricker, Takoda Pratt, Emily Shepherd, Emma Yockey, Konnar Lamb, Steven Montgomery, Alex Paulo, Macie Pry, Katharine Steele, Anthony Summers, Kaitie Bushey, Kallee Clark, La Schae Clark, Luke Clark, Alexis Crider, Jackie Garrett, Kenna Goth, Savannah Howard  
Matthew Kuhlman, Garrett Lindner, Steven Miczek  
Evan Montgomery.

**PTO Meeting**  
**February 10<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30!!!**  
Be the first to find out about the upcoming carnival in the spring!!!

**Reminder:**  
**No School**  
**February 16th**  
**EARLY**  
**RELEASE**  
**February 18th**