

DOWDS SCHOOL

January 2010 NEWSLETTER



Welcome back!!!! I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday vacation and is ready for the second half of the school year. The first semester ends on January 15th. Grade cards will be sent home on January 22nd.

This past month we received the results of the Fall 2009 3rd Grade Reading Achievement Test. As a school 72% of our students met or exceeded the state standard. The state average for the Fall Reading Achievement Test was 53%. To meet the state indicator (that is reported on the Local Report Card in August) we must score at least 75% when we take the test in April. Last year we scored 88% in the spring. We are going to continue to work and work here to have this year's group exceed last year's score.

Please join us on January 12th at 6:30 in the art/music room for our first PTO meeting of the New Year!!! Thanks for all you do to help make Dowds Elementary a great place to learn!!!

Yours in Education,
Mr. Walker
Have a question? Email me at walker.paul@shelbyk12.org

SAVE, SAVE, & SAVE

Please continue to save those Campbell Soup bar codes as well as Box Tops. Lorie Turner is coordinating both of those and she will be sending home information about classroom contests. Both of these are "free" ways for the school to get additional items to be used in our classrooms.

MLK Day
No School on
Monday January
18th

Grade Cards
go home
January 22nd