

New Hampton Elementary Update

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March 2013

*Character Counts! At New Hampton Elementary
Pillar for March: Citizenship*

Professional Development on Wednesday, March 14th

7:30-8:00 Meet with Mr. Jurrens for a district update

8:00 – 9:45 Time to work on Individual Professional Development Plans for all teachers

1:00 – 3:30 Preschool teachers meet with Kris Croatt, AEA1 for Inquiry-Based Instruction

Collaborative Learning Teams (CLT's): Collaborative Learning Teams of NHE are meeting eight times from January to May to work on a SMART goal they developed for literacy achievement at their grade levels. They are learning new literacy techniques and strategies to reach their achievement goals as well as new technologies that can be integrated for literacy instruction. Most of the CLT's are using this professional development opportunity to learn more about the use of apps on the iPad in order to provide another resource for students to practice literacy skills. AEA1 consultants, Jeremiah Cantu, and ary Frese have conducted technology training to our CLT's.

Technology Professional Development Opportunities in March:

March 12th @ 3:45 – iMovie and Garage Band

Preschool Registration will take place on March 19th from 5:00 – 6:30 in the cafeteria.

See attached March Newsletter

Giant Piggy Bank's Third Quarter Report:

NH Elem 172 accounts \$125,107.07

NHE Carnival: The New Hampton Elementary Carnival will be held on Friday, April 19th. The committee work is in process. On March 25th and the April 4th, skating parties will be held for the K – 4 students from 3:30 – 5:00 each day as fundraisers for the Carnival. This year, Carnival monies were used to fund incentives for PK – 4 students, two field trips for each grade level, a science trip to Twin Ponds for each grade level, the Reading Rocks initiative, learning incentives for each student, and The Boy Who Cried Wolf production in the fall, a Gallagher Bluedorn Production in New Hampton.

READING ROCKS INITIATIVE

Students: 390,464 Minutes

Classroom winners were:

Kindergarten: Room 16 - Mrs. Nosbisch

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**First Grade: Room 13 - Mrs. Hennessy
Second Grade: Room 25 - Mrs. Wakeman
Third Grade: Room 24 - Mrs. Reicks
Fourth Grade: Room 218 – Mr. Pagel**

Grand Prize - Plastic Guitar Winner: Room 24 – Mrs. Reicks



The New Hampton High School National Honor Society partnered with out K - 4 students for this year's Reading Rocks initiative. Middle school students also partnered with students to help them add to their minutes. Staff members were also paired with classes to add to their minutes. Pictured are winning third grade readers and their partner staff members.