

# DAMIANSVILLE

E L E M E N T A R Y S C H O O L

Newsletter

March 2017

## Important Dates

### *This month:*

- 3/3 – School Improvement Day,  
11:45 Dismissal  
3/6 – Casimir Pulaski Day, **No School**  
3/7 – Preschool Screening  
PTO Meeting, 6:30  
3/14 – End of Q3  
3/16 – Spring Pictures  
3/20 – Board Meeting, 6:30  
3/31 – School Improvement Day,  
11:45 Dismissal

### *Next month:*

- 4/3-4/7 – PARCC Testing  
4/6 – Clinton County Jr. High  
Music Festival  
4/11 – Pizza Hut Day  
4/12 – 1:45 Dismissal  
4/13-4/17 – Spring Break, **No School**  
4/18 – Board Meeting, 6:30  
4/19 – Q4 Midterm

## PARCC Testing

As part of the Common Core Standards adopted by the state, we will be administering the PARCC (Partnership for the Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers) tests. Students in grades 3 through 8 will begin testing the week of April 3.

## Preschool Screening

Damiansville School is hosting a free screening for children from birth to five years of age on Tuesday, March 7. Appointments for screening begin at 9:00. The clinic includes checks of infant-toddler language development, motor coordination, and social skills.

Preschool-aged children are also screened for pre-academic skills, vision, and hearing. The screenings take approximately 30 minutes, and parents are provided with immediate feedback about their child's performance. Please call the school office at 248-5188 to register your child/children.

## Spring Pictures

Lifetouch will be here Thursday, March 16, for spring pictures. Information about packages and pricing will be sent home with students.

## PTO News

The next PTO meeting will be Tuesday, March 7, at 6:30 p.m. in Mr. Hollenkamp's room. Mark your calendars now so you don't miss it! Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend.

We will have another Pizza Hut fundraiser on April 11. The coupons that you will need to turn in will be sent home with students the day before, and will be available in the office and on the website. This is an easy way for the PTO to earn money and we appreciate your support!

## Friends of the Cougars

### Lenten Fish Fry

Beginning March 1, the Friends of the Cougars will have a Fish Fry on Ash Wednesday and every Friday during Lent at the Albers American Legion. All proceeds benefit the Albers-Damiansville sports program.

Everyone's support is greatly appreciated.

## Albers-Damiansville Youth League Registration

The Albers-Damiansville Youth League baseball/softball registration will be Sunday, February 26, 4:00-6:00 p.m., at Pete's Bar and Grill in Albers. All children currently in 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grades interested in playing need to register. The fee is \$30.00 per child through February 26; registration after that date is \$40.00 per child. Registration forms can also be mailed to Erin Korte, 109 Hilltop Ln., Damiansville, IL, 62215.

The Pre-K/Kindergarten Coed League will have registration at the same time. The cost is \$40.00/player and includes a team t-shirt. Please contact Amy Reynolds at [amdolphin78@hotmail.com](mailto:amdolphin78@hotmail.com) or (618) 980-4272 for the registration form and league rules.

## Youth Choir

The St. Damian Youth Choir is in full swing as we continue to practice on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. This year the Youth Choir will sing on Good Friday, April 14, and Holy Saturday, April 15. Contact Jackie Toennies at 335-9562 or Geri Varel at 248-5223 if you have any questions or if a child needs a ride to/from practice.