



# Crossgates Courier

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## Students of the Month

As a way to encourage positive student behavior, we have a "Student of the Month" program. One student per class is selected by their teacher using the following criteria: 1) **Student cannot be tardy nor have an unexcused absence during the previous month.** 2) **Student must be current with all assignments given by his/her teacher.** 3) **Student must respect the rights of others. (Treats others nicely.)** 4) **Student must show good manners.** 5) **Student cannot have visited the office for misbehavior during the previous month.** 6) **Student cannot have any detentions during the previous month.** 7) **Student cannot have any uniform violations during the previous month.** 8) **Student cannot be chosen more than once a year.** Students selected for this award will be invited to a breakfast and have their picture and a short "bio" displayed at school. The following students are the March recipients of this award. Mrs. Lardinai's Kindergarten- **Caitlin Heinz**, Mrs. Smitley's Kindergarten- **Spencer Hudson**, Ms. Gallagher's Kindergarten- **Grace Li**, Mrs. Best's 1<sup>st</sup> Grade- **Andrew Goeder**, Mrs. Eding's 1<sup>st</sup> Grade- **Nicole Liegel**, Mrs. Hanf's 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade- **Roxanne Marlow and Tamar Owens**, Mrs. Ocker's 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade- **Morgan Flores and Sophia Jaegly**, Mrs. Metcalf's 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade- **Hannah Knotts**, Ms. Ganun's 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade- **Katie Jaegly**, Ms. Tisdale's 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade- **Tyler Ruch**, Mrs. Lefevre's 4<sup>th</sup> Grade- **Emily Bettinger**, Mrs. Packo's 4<sup>th</sup> Grade- **Malik Spears**, Mrs. Kaper's 5<sup>th</sup> Grade- **Bailey Kohring**, Mrs. Pertcheck's 5<sup>th</sup> Grade- **Jordyn Greer**, Mrs. Sweeney's 6<sup>th</sup> Grade- **Joshua Jacobs**, Mrs. Dendinger's 6<sup>th</sup> Grade- **Luke Wells**, Mrs. Sherman's 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade- **Jasmine Mulinix**, Ms. Forbes' 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade- **Ryan McGowan**.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF THESE STUDENTS!**

## SPRING MUSICAL

The 2009 Crossgates Spring Musical, featuring the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> grade classes will be held on Tuesday, March 24, 2009, at 7:00 PM in the auditorium at Crossgates School. The dress rehearsal for the program will take place on Tuesday, March 24, 2009, at approximately 9:20 AM. A notice about arrival time and other details will be sent home with each student in grades 3, 4 & 5.

## IMPORTANT!!!

**The last day of the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter is Friday, March 20, 2009. Third quarter report cards will be sent home with students on Monday March 30, 2009.**

## South End Schools Blood Drive Monday, March 9, 2009

It's the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Southend Schools Pint Size Hero Blood Drive at Byrnedale. People can schedule their appointment by going to [www.givelife.org](http://www.givelife.org) and using sponsor code BYRNEDALEJRHI or by submitting their appt card through their student. You can also call Bonnie Herrmann at 419-381-1042.

## Spirit Week March 16-20, 2009

Monday through Friday, March 16-20, 2009, will be "Spirit Week" at Crossgates. This is a fun week where students have the opportunity to dress a little differently each day during this week.

**Monday- "CRAZY HAIR DAY"**. Students should come up with a new "hairdo" for this day. Use your imagination.

**Tuesday- "WACKY ACCESSORIES DAY"**. Silly and colorful socks, necklaces, belts, glasses, hair accessories, etc.

**Wednesday- "HAT DAY"**. Wear your favorite or craziest hat.

**Thursday- "SPIRIT WEAR DAY"**. Wear any and all of your Crossgates Spirit Wear.

**Friday- "DRESS DOWN DAY"**. Everyone knows what this is, so enjoy.

**NOTE: These are not "Dress Down" days, but "Theme Days". Students are still expected to wear their uniforms except for Friday.**

## IMPORTANT!

**Parents:**

**All Toledo Public Elementary Schools will have a two hour delayed start on Friday, March 20, 2009. This time will be used by teachers to compile student grades for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter. This delay will work the same way as a Two Hour Weather Delay works. For Crossgates, it will mean the following:**

*School will begin at Crossgates at 11:00 AM and end at the regular time, 3:15 PM. Busses will run on a two hour delayed schedule in the morning on these days. For example, if your child is usually picked-up by the bus at 8:30 AM, they will be picked-up at 10:30 AM on a Delayed Start day. Regular morning before school programs such as before school tutoring, and school breakfast, **WILL NOT BE HELD ON THESE DAYS.***

## Parents' Club News

### Box Top News

I am getting ready to send in another batch of box tops and our total amount we have earned this school year is \$1,569.50. Yay! Thanks to all the families who participate in such a great program. Keep collecting! Any family that submits 100 Box Tops every child in the family will receive a dress down day pass!

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the following students who have earned a Dress Down Pay by sending in 100 Box Tops at one time: Blake Bettinger, Emily Bettinger, Zachary Bloomer, Destiny Breniser, Megan Browne, Courtney Coffman, Sabrina Coffman, Francisco Estrada, Hayden Garczynski, Miranda Garczynski, Ishajanika Grier, Baily Kohring, Blaze Rayman, Alex Rivera and Kayla Whittecar.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the following students who won the February drawing for sending in 30 Box Tops at one time: Jordan Andrejan, Hannah Knotts, Molly McDonagh, Jasmine Mulinix and Conner Palm!

Please submit Box Tops in a sealed envelope or Ziploc bag with your child(ren)'s first and last name along with room number. **This is very important!**

I keep getting Box Tops with no names, no room number or no siblings listed. Thanks so much for the parents that include all this information for me. If you could also trim the Box Tops it would be so much appreciated.

Lena Arnott

Box Top Coordinator

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### **You made a difference this past month at our school...**

Molly Andrejan, Celia Apodaca, Christina Arent, Magdalena Arnott, Lina Berchali, Cheryl Bettinger, Jeff Brucker, Liz Boyles, Amy Carr, Melanie Christiansen, Nicole Coffman, Kim Cornell, Jennifer Davidson, Thelma Drane, Jodi Flores, Michelle Goeder, April Greer, Kalli Griffith, Kendra Haupricht, Shannon Hauprichth, Rhonda Hayes, Dana Heffelbower, Nora Jaegly, Tina Kanary, Kristin Kohring, Deb Kowalski, Karen Liegel, Julie Lievens, Ilyana Martens, Chris Marx, Sara Metzger, Amanda Myers, Scott Pittock, Sarah Preston, Judy Snyder, Patty Viers, Tracey Wagner-Shiple, Diann Welch, Kim Wells, Cindy White and Tonia Willis.

**THANK YOU!**

### **PARENTS' CLUB MEETING**

The Crossgates Parents' Club would like to invite all of you to come to our March meeting on Thursday, March 5, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. We will be having nominations for next year's officers, and if you know anyone who would make a great officer, then please come to the meeting and drop their name in. Or, if you think that you would make a great officer, feel free to nominate yourself. Our election will then be held during April's meeting. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you,

Sarah Preston

Crossgates Parents' Club

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## Pizza Days

This is a reminder that Pizza Days this year are on Fridays, and **not every Friday**. In addition, please remember that you must order and pay for the pizza in advance. Order forms are sent home at the end of each month for this purpose. Upcoming East of Chicago Pizza Days are March 6<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> and April 3<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>.

## Cub Scout News

**PINEWOOD DERBY-** The Swan Creek District Pinewood Derby will be held at Bowsher High School, on Saturday, March 7th 2009. The Cub Scout Pack asks that anyone who wishes to cheer on our boys that have advanced to that level, (Jared Geiner, Brandon Yockey, Hayden Garczynski, Andrew Preston, Matthew Martin and Chad Huss) to come to the new Bowsher High School at the corner of S. Detroit and Arlington on Saturday, March 7, 2009. Racing begins at 8:00 AM.

**BLUE AND GOLD BANQUET-** Our Blue & Gold banquet was held on Friday, February 27th, at 6:00 pm. We had an Italian themed dinner to celebrate the 99th anniversary of Boy Scouts in America. We also recognized many boys for advancement in rank, completion of electives specific to each age group, sports and academics excellence, and other specific special programs beyond what is asked of the typical Scout. The banquet was a great success, and everyone had a good time. All of the left over food was donated to the Good Samaritan Outreach Center to help feed our less fortunate neighbors in South Toledo.

Congratulations to all of the boys!

## CORRECTION

At the end of each quarter we publish the names of students who had perfect attendance for the quarter in the *Courier*. After the February *Courier* was sent home, we were informed that **Matthew Meiring**, a kindergartener in Mrs. Smitley's class, was left off of the listing for second quarter. We apologize to Matthew for this oversight and congratulate him for Perfect Attendance for the second quarter.

## TESTING REMINDER

During the month of March, students at Crossgates in grades 1 and 2 will begin taking the Stanford Achievement Test (SAT). Students will follow a **SAT** testing schedule set by their classroom teacher. Teachers in these grades will send home information with their students informing parents of test days. Ohio Achievement Tests, which will be taken by grades 3, 4, 5 and 6, will not begin until April 27, 2009. These tests are given on specific dates established by the State of Ohio. Please watch for the OAT testing schedule in the April "Courier".

## February Attendance Report

Number of Student Absence Days- **336**

Number of Student Tardy Days & Early

Dismissals- **133**