

# DOWNSVILLE TIGER TALES

MAY 2018

I can't believe it is almost the end of the school year! We have been very busy with end of the year learning experiences, assessments and special celebrations. The last day of school is June 7th. We will have a school **recognition ceremony starting at 10:00-10:30**, **Amazing Race 10:30-11:15** and students will then gather back in their classrooms to prepare for lunch.

The last day of **school picnic will begin at 11:30**. Please return your slips if you are planning on joining us for lunch. You are welcome to take your child home with you after the picnic. **Please check out with your child's teacher and get their report card prior to leaving.** If you would like your child to leave with another family a note will be required. Also check lost and found as well as stop by the office to pick up any unused medication. Have a wonderful relaxing summer with your families and I look forward to seeing you next year!

Thank you for all you do for Downsville School.  
Mary Begley, Principal

## Grade Level News

**First Grade:** Although we all miss Mrs. Gully, the transition went smoothly as I took over the class so she can spend time with her new baby boy, Nash. If you need to reach me my school email is [rachel\\_tilseth@msd.k12.wi.us](mailto:rachel_tilseth@msd.k12.wi.us). In math first grade learned how to tell time on the hour and half hours. Students discovered about what makes realistic fiction realistic in writing. They also studied all about life lessons taught through reading. We had a great, enjoyable fun filled day on the Dome Ranch field trip. First grader's celebrated with a "penny party" due to all their hard work! It has been a pleasure and a privilege working with this wonderful 1<sup>st</sup> grade class! Thank you for the opportunity!!

- Ms. Tilseth



**Fifth Grade:** This month we have been doing a lot of awesome hands-on activity based learning. In our fantasy units we are creating our own props and sets for a Fantasy Story-Theater. In our Space Unit we have been tracking the sun and creating sun dials. And in our volume unit, we have started planning our own dream houses with floor plans! It's hard to believe that the year is almost over!

**Third Grade:** Wow! I can't believe we are in our last couple weeks of school! The year has flown by! In reading, we are finishing up our Biography unit. Each student chose a famous person and is creating a poster and presentation about them. In math, we are working through our geometry unit along with learning about the perimeter of shapes. In that past few weeks we have also been able to go on a couple fun field trips to Crystal Cave and the Environmental Site! It has been a wonderful year in third grade! I hope everyone has a relaxing, fun-filled sum

-Ms. Miller



**Fourth Grade:** I cannot believe how fast this school year has gone by! The fourth graders just began their last unit in reading. They will be doing a non-fiction author study. They are finishing their last module in math, using their multiplication skills to work with measurement conversions. They are also working on their final fourth grade fiction writing piece that they will be publishing and bringing home at the end of the year. We are studying the United States regions in social studies, along with learning the fifty states and their capitals. They have learned and grown so much this year! I am so thankful to have had each of these students in my first class!

- Mrs. Minnich

**Second Grade:**

Our Second Grade Is Over and We Are Leaving for the Summer!

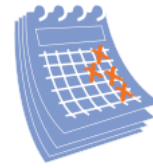
We will see you all next year.

Good-bye! Good-bye! Good-bye!



Mrs. Holcomb: enjoyed popcorn Fridays.	Via: enjoyed our class field trips.	Chloe: enjoyed our end of the year countdown.	Vincent: enjoyed snack time and lunch recess.
Kloie: enjoyed having word work.	Judah: enjoyed gym and Brainflakes .	Brayden: enjoyed technology time.	Jack: enjoyed drawing and creating.
Evelyn: enjoyed having our calendar and math time.	Gabe: enjoyed math modules; measuring and 2D shapes.	Remy: enjoyed our morning meetings and gym.	Matthew: enjoyed all the field trips and butter, popcorn Friday.
Nora: enjoyed doing the jigsaw puzzle rotations.	Ellie: enjoyed Holcomb Store and the treasure box.	Alyssa: enjoyed mayor share and the cheers.	Cashton: liked mayor share and Brainflakes .
Jadyn: liked learning about times(multiplication).	Bryan: enjoyed the environmental site and catching tadpoles.	Camron: enjoyed the school, our class, and field trips.	

**Important Up-Coming Dates:**



- May 28 NO SCHOOL – Vacation!
- 30 Fifth Grade Recognition!  
5:30 – 7:00 p.m.
- 31 “Moving Up Day”
- June 4-5 5<sup>th</sup> grade Camping Trip
- 6 Visit from Owl Center
- 7 Downsview Student Recognition Program 10:00 a.m.
- 7 “Amazing Race!” 10:30 – 11:15a.m.  
Student Last Day Event  
Following recognition program
- 7 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL – PICNIC!  
Lunch begins -11:30 a.m.
- 7 Report Cards go Home!!!

**Yearbooks have arrived – There are extra available on hand for purchase.. Cost: \$10.**



We would like to thank the Junior Achievement Volunteers who came into our classrooms this year. These volunteers have helped our students learn about real-life experiences in the business and professional world. Through JA, our students learn about topics such as how to set goals for their futures, how to think like an entrepreneur, and different types of careers. Here are the Junior Achievement volunteers who impacted students at Downsview Elementary School this year:

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| Alicia Pfeilsticker | WESTconsin Credit Union   |
| Hannah Becke        | Community Volunteer - NWD |
| Kassandra Merritt   | Community Volunteer - NWD |
| Kennedy Navis       | Community Volunteer - NWD |
| Melissa Devery      | Community Volunteer - NWD |

# Counselor Connections

Deb Hoage -School Counselor

## The Heart of Bucketfilling

Recent times have seen increasing numbers of young people with emotional and behavioral issues. Mental health problems are prevalent, with 20% of children experiencing such issues each year. These problems affect all areas of a child's life including school.

Schools experience the day-to-day reality of these issues but are also key in combating them and promoting good emotional health. Our vision, together with your help, is placing our children's happiness and well-being at the heart of school and home.

We are fortunate in our community to have many places to reach out for support.

*Click here for [brochure](#)*

***Thank you parents, families, and community members for a bucketfilling year of support for our children and school!***

Respectfully,  
Deb Hoage



## New Summer Class for Kids

SDMA offers many ways for children to stay engaged in learning through the summer months.

A new class, ***Kids Strong II*** includes fun and helpful bucketfilling opportunities. This multi-grade class has HS leaders partnering with students entering grades 3-5 and 6-8. Students will plan and practice activities of kindness and community service including a Kindness Rocks project, visiting residents in local senior centers, packing meals for others in need, and planning school events for next fall.

Please consider having your child join this fun class of team-building and service with a purpose!

## Summer Food Service Program

Free to all children 18 years or under with no need to sign up or apply.



**Breakfast: 7:30-8:30 am**

**Lunch: 10:45-11:30 am**

**River Heights:** June 13-29 M-F

615 24th Ave July 2-27 M-F  
(Closed July 4)

**High School:** June 18-28 M-TH

1715 5th St W July 9-19 M-Th  
July 30-Aug 17 M-F  
August 30 TH





# K-5 Library News

May, 2018



## Summer Slide

It's important to keep reading over the summer so skills learned during school are not lost or forgotten during the summer. Here are some easy ways to help avoid that summer slide:

1. Visit the public library
2. Make time to read every day
3. Bring a book for car rides
4. Practice reading out loud
5. Read at bed time
6. Attend summer school

## Time to Return Library Books

May 25<sup>th</sup> is the due date for books to be returned to the library. Please make sure to check backpacks, desks, and at home so all books can be returned on time! Thanks!

## Get A Jump Start on Battle of the Books This Summer

For any students who are interested in participating next year, the list of books is supposed to be released June 1<sup>st</sup>. The public library will have these books in a special section so they are easily available for check out.

## Public Library Summer Hours

Mon. - Thurs. 9-9  
Fri. 9-6  
Sat. 10-5  
Closed on Sundays (from Memorial Day to Labor Day)

## What's Flying Off The Shelves?

<u>Wakanda</u>	<u>Downsville</u>	<u>River Heights</u>	<u>Knapp</u>	<u>Oaklawn</u>
Pinkalicious Percy Jackson Series Captain Underpants	Piggy and Gerald Flora and Ulysses Wildier Boys	Amelia Bedelia Harry Potter Series Disney Storybooks	Minecraft Books See You in the Cosmos by Jack Cheng	Piggy and Gerald Zelda and Ivy Series I Survived Series

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