

# Alpine Elementary School April Newsletter

April 2014

## Principal's Message

It is hard to believe that we have already reached the end of the third marking period. Report cards will be posted in the Genesis Parent Portal this Thursday, April 17<sup>th</sup>.

April is Autism Awareness Month and on Thursday, April 17<sup>th</sup> students will be participating in a Walk-A-Thon to raise awareness. Thank you to Mrs. Diklich and staff that have worked to organize this event.

April 23<sup>rd</sup> is Take Your Child to Work day. If you intend to take your child to work with you, you will need to provide a letter stating that your child will be out for the day.

A Few Reminders:

- Please remind your child(ren) to check the lost and found for any articles of clothing they might have lost. There is an abundance of items from the winter and we will be looking to donate anything that has been left for a long period of time.
- With the warmer weather upon us please make sure your child(ren) are dressing appropriately and wearing shoes that won't slip off (no flip flops or sandals that do not have a back strap).

Lastly I'd like to congratulate Mrs. Chris Geary, First Grade Teacher, who was selected as the 2014 Alpine School Teacher of the Year. Mrs. Geary is very deserving of this distinction and we are proud to have her as part of our staff.

Mr. Giuseppe Leone, Principal

## Character Education

This month our Character Education trait is self-discipline. One of the primary tasks of early childhood is to develop self-discipline. A child armed with self-discipline has a tremendous asset for addressing life's challenges. This month a few students helped me make a video on self-discipline that was shown to all the classes.

\*Rachel's Challenge is still going strong. We have over 500 links hanging in the halls that the students have filled out to represent someone who was kind to them.

Mrs. Heather Yanoff, Guidance Counselor

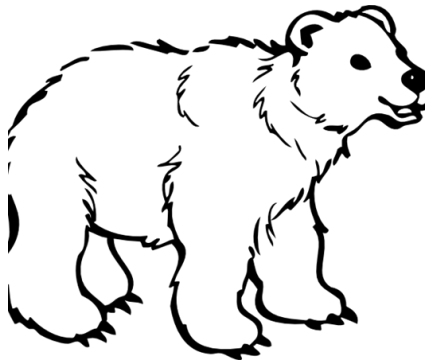
## PTO

Our PTO has been a valuable asset throughout the school year. I would like to thank everyone who has supported their efforts. Special thanks to our executive PTO Executive Board Kim Peterson, Jo Ann Yanuzzelli, Lorraine Bellush, & Marcie Pierce.

Please visit the PTO section of our [website](#) to find out how you can continue to support our PTO and find information about upcoming events.

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am. Please join us as we vote for new Executive Board members and vote on the budget for the upcoming year.

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## Nurse's Message

Spring is finally here and we welcome warm weather, sunshine and of course blooming flowers, trees, grass and seasonal allergies.

If your child suffers from allergies and should need a medication in school (both prescription and over the counter) please make note of our medication policy:

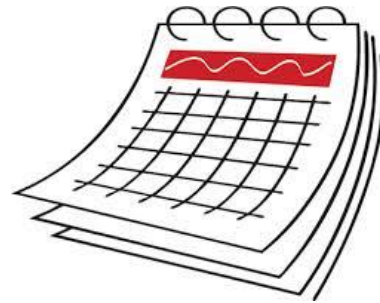
- All medication must be in the original container and appropriately labeled as dispensed by the pharmacist or health care provider
- A written request signed by the physician, dentist or healthcare provider which indicates the name of the student, diagnosis, medication, dosage, time of administration and date to be discontinued.
- A written request signed by the parent/guardian authorizing the school nurse to dispense the medication as specified by the physician, dentist or healthcare provider.
- Medication is to be brought in by an adult, students are not to carry medication in school.

With only a few months left to this school year I would appreciate you:

- Making sure all your emergency phone numbers and contacts are up to date.
- If your child has a change in their health status or new medical diagnosis please let me know so I may keep their medical records updated and current.
- Continue to reinforce your children to:
  - Cover their mouths and nose when coughing and sneezing
  - Wash their hands with soap and water before eating and after using the bathroom
  - Not to share hats, jackets, brushes or combs
  - Drink plenty of fluids as the weather gets warmer
  - After playing outside, especially in tall grass or woods check for insect bites or ticks.

Christine A. Aloisio, RN

## Upcoming Events



### April

- 17<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Autism Walk-A-Thon
- 17<sup>th</sup> Report Cards Posted
- 18<sup>th</sup> Good Friday Schools Closed
- 21<sup>st</sup> BOE Work Session at MAS at 7:30
- 24<sup>th</sup> BOE Meeting at MAS at 7:30
- 25<sup>th</sup> Wear Black for Self-Discipline
- 28<sup>th</sup> BOE Meeting at MAS at 7:30

### May

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Early Dismissal—Teacher In Service
- 2<sup>nd</sup> School Spirit Day
- 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Teacher Appreciation Week
- 6<sup>th</sup> Second Grade Art Fair 5:30-8:00
- 9<sup>th</sup> PTO Teacher Appreciation Breakfast
- 12<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> Third Grade NJASK
- 15<sup>th</sup> PTO Meeting 10:00
- 26<sup>th</sup> Memorial Day – Schools Closed
- 27<sup>th</sup> BOE Meeting 7:30
- 28<sup>th</sup> Third Grade Science Night 6:30
- 30<sup>th</sup> Third Grade Recorder Concert at SHS
- 31<sup>st</sup> All Schools in Session – Early Dismissal