

# Duncombe Elementary School Newsletter



**TOGETHER WE RISE: Raising the Bar, Closing the Gap, Believing All Kids Do Well If They Can**

March 2018

## Dates to remember:

- Wednesday, March 7th-EARLY OUT 1:10 pm
- Thursday, March 8th-Kindergarten Round up. No Kindergarten classes will be held this day.
- March 14-21 Iowa Assessments for 3rd and 4th grade
- Wednesday, March 21st-EARLY OUT 1:10 pm
- Thursday, March 22nd-2nd grade field trip to Ames
- March 29th, 30th and April 2nd NO SCHOOL

## SNOW MAKE UP DAYS

- June 1st, cycle day 1
- June 4th, cycle day 2
- June 5th and 6th, both cycle day 4th.

## Kindergarten Round up

Will be held March 8th. Students with last names A-L will be from 9-10:45 am. Students with last names M-Z will be held from 1-2:45 pm. There will be NO kindergarten classes on this day. You will need to bring all paper-work, have the parent portal agreement filled out and bring birth certificate and shot records with you to round up. You MUST attend round up in your home school area. If you know anyone with a school aged child coming in to Kindergarten, please pass the word.

## Iowa Assessments Begin March 15

FDCSD 3-11 grade students will take the Iowa Assessment March 15-27.

The Iowa Assessments provide information about each child's academic achievements which we can use to help them excel and succeed. The Iowa Assessments provide detailed information about student growth and progress from year to year in content areas including reading, math and science. Information provided also shows a student's academic performance relative to their school, the district and the nation. All of this data helps teachers identify students' strengths as well as areas where additional emphasis may be needed.

By working together we can make your child's test experience positive and successful. Please help your child do his/her best by:

Making sure that he/she gets to school on time. Being late or having to make up the test makes a student feel unsettled.

Ensuring that he/she gets a full night's rest before each test. Getting him/her a nutritious breakfast each morning of testing.

Encouraging your student to give his/her best effort. Refraining from scheduling doctor's appointments, vacations, etc. during the testing time frame.

If you have any questions about the Iowa Assessments please contact your child's school. Thank you so much for helping us help your child succeed!

## Online Registration Coming for 2018-19 School Year: Infinite Campus Parent Portals Required

Beginning with the 2018-19 school year, the Fort Dodge Community School District will be using an online registration process. Parents/guardians will be required to have an Infinite Campus parent account to complete registration process. Parents/guardians who do not already have an Infinite Campus account should sign up for an account now to make the registration process smoother. To request an Infinite Campus account please complete the Infinite Campus Agreement Form (last pages of this newsletter and also posted under the Parents tab of [fdschools.org](http://fdschools.org)) and return it along with proof of guardianship (birth certificate, court documents, tax form, immunization record, etc) to Diane Jass at the Central Administration Building. Questions may be directed to Diane at [djass@fdschools.org](mailto:djass@fdschools.org) or 574.5363.

## Virtual Backpack

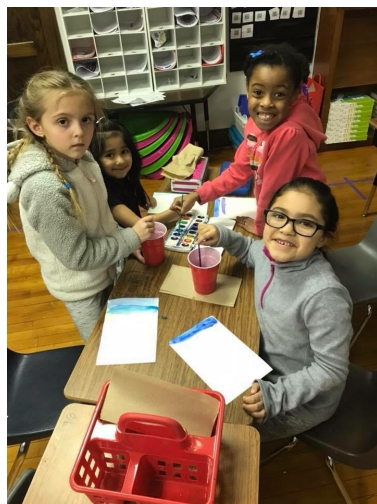
Please remember to visit: [www.fdschools.org](http://www.fdschools.org), to check out all the virtual backpack information on activities, groups, fundraiser, etc. going on in the Fort Dodge community. There are new items added often, so make sure you check it frequently.



## PBIS Red Carpet Awards for February

The winners for January awards for academics are: Kobe Bacon, Greyson Chance, Erik Larson, Tyresha Smith, Delany Locke, Will Jones, Aidan Russell, Makyia Schade, Jakob Anderson, Natalie Baade, Breleigh Lagerstrom, Olivia Wagner, Amaryana Bole-Calles, Nahjai Wilson, Perla Gutierrez, Brynn Schott, Aniya Sellers, Jasmine Cooney, Christopher Wilson, Jacob Gonzalez, Tucker Dreke, Brody Reimers, Leighton McCrude, Andrew Olson, Noah Oliver, Gage Hepp, Braylynn Bierce, Kameryn Norris, Shelby Cerwick, Eillie Estlund, Madilynn Harp, and Jaxx McLoughlin.

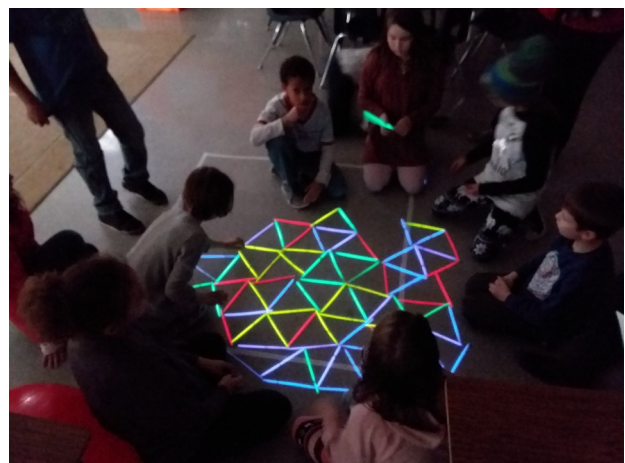
The winners for January awards in Responsible Behavior are: J'Khari Panozzo, Maddie Carmody, Jason Lopez, Taylor Cote, Abigail Reighard, Cheyenne Myers, Reece Harp, Alexis Scholl, Jonaya Foy, Isabella Harris Lopez, Ryan Rasmussen, Gianna Zimmer, Paxton Chance, Elizabeth Prado Chilel, Sophia Wicker, Carlos Rosales, Brenna Geilenfeld, Haidyn Clark, Jerry Crockett, Hailie Steding, Sarahy Turcios, Hannah Jones, Grayson Riley, Jade Lehman, Killian Mullaney, Holly Schafer, Aliyah Navarette, Selena Rubio, Gabriella Petersen, Scarlett Wilson, Heidyn Milligan, and Fiona Conrad.



1st grade pictures from our moon sun and stars create lab! We are learning how to paint a sky using water paints! And PBIS awards.



## 4th grade Wrinkle in Time book club and 4th grade and 4th grade Math Club



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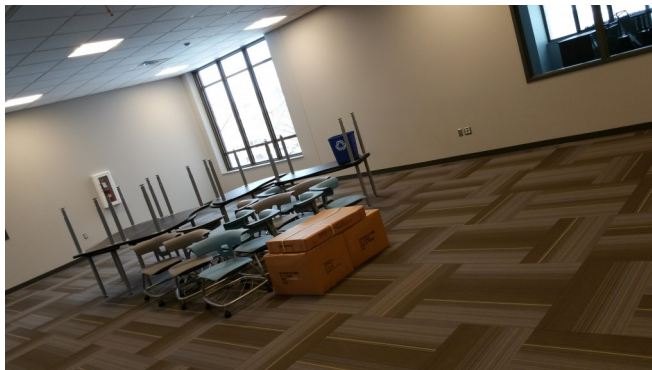
## District Policy

It is the policy of the Fort Dodge Community School District not to discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, ancestry, age, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability, physical attributes, religion, political party preference, political belief, socioeconomic status, veteran's status, actual or potential parental, family or marital status, in its programs, services, and employment practices. If you have questions or grievances related to this policy, please contact Marcy Harms, Director of Student Services, Central Administration Office, 104 South 17th Street, Fort Dodge, IA 50501, (574-5678) or contact the Civil Rights Midwestern Division for U. S. Department of Education Office, 500 W. Madison Street, Suite 1475, Chicago, IL 60661-4544. (Alternate for Section 504 is Lis Ristau, Director of Special Needs, 515-574-5675).

The District's Compliance Coordinator for Affirmative Action is Robert Hughes, Assistant Superintendent, who can be reached at 574-5657 or 104 South 17th Street, Fort Dodge, IA 50501.

The District's Designated Investigator of Physical/Sexual Abuse of Students by School Employees is Marcy Harms. She can be reached at 574-5678 or 104 South 17th Street, Fort Dodge, IA 50501. The alternate is Corey Moody. He can be reached at 574-5469 or 819 North 25th Street, Fort Dodge, IA 50501.

The District's Officer for Harassment Complaints and Allegations is Marcy Harms, Director of Student Services. She can be reached at 574-5678



Construction continues at New Duncombe Elementary School

## WINTER WEATHER ADVISORY

If school must be cancelled, delayed or dismissed early due to weather conditions, announcements will be made via:

- Infinite Campus Phone Calls & Texts
- Facebook and Twitter
- [www.fdschools.org](http://www.fdschools.org)
- FDCSD Hotline
- TV Stations: WHO, KCCI & WOI
- Radio Stations: KWMT, KKEZ, KXFT, KZLB, KIAQ, KVFD, KTLB
- Fort Dodge Press
- The Messenger website

If you currently do not receive phone calls/texts from the District and would like to, please call Josh at 574.5363 to be added.



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| For Office Use Only: |
| Family ID _____      |
| Verified By _____    |

**I am the parent/legal guardian of:**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**You must provide a copy of the student's birth certificate or other official document showing guardianship. Failure to provide documentation may delay/deny the request.**

**Parent/Guardian Account 1:**

Relation: Father Mother Legal Guardian Step-Father Step-Mother

Parent/Guardian Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

**I have read the Fort Dodge Community Schools Parent Agreement and I agree to the terms and conditions listed.**

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Account 2:**

Relation: Father Mother Legal Guardian Step-Father Step-Mother

Parent/Guardian Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

**I have read the Fort Dodge Community Schools Parent Agreement and I agree to the terms and conditions listed.**

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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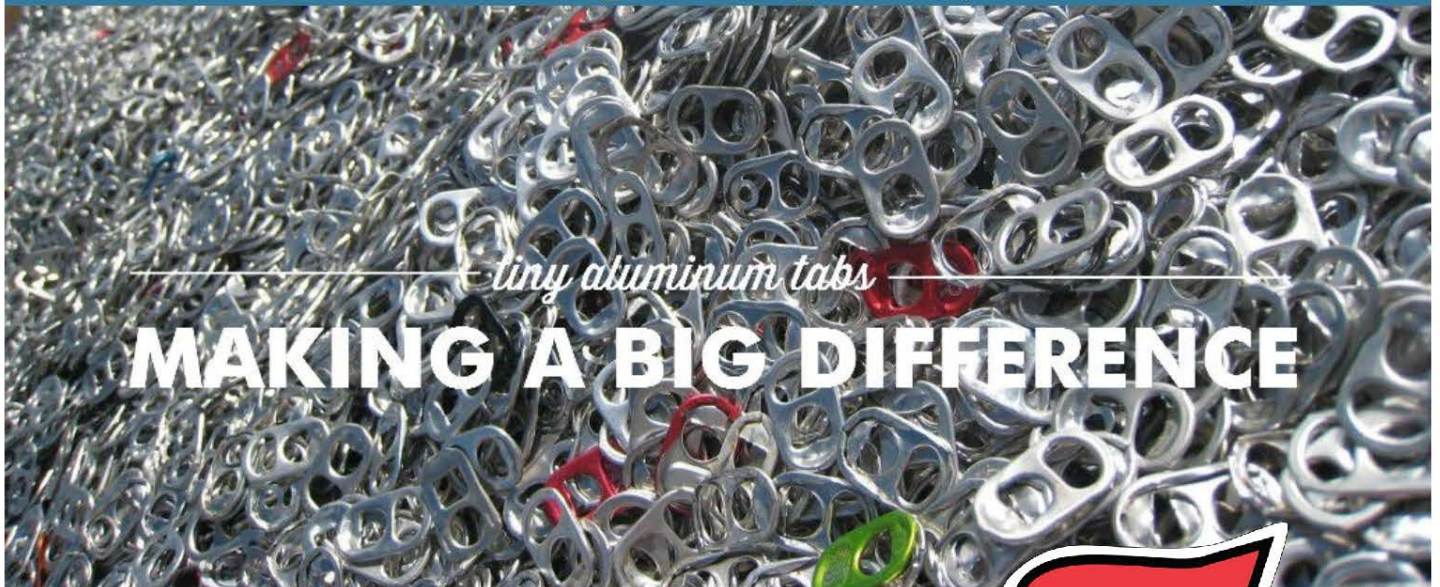
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# RACHEL'S Challenge

start a chain reaction

**The Fort Dodge Community School District is again collecting pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. Tabs may be dropped off at any FDCSD building now through May 1st, 2017.**



*tiny aluminum tabs*

**MAKING A BIG DIFFERENCE**

“I have this theory that if one person can go out of their way to show compassion, then it will start a chain reaction of the same. People will never know how far a little kindness can go. “

- Rachel Joy Scott





The Fort Dodge Community Schools Foundation annual fundraiser **Go Big, Go Dodgers** is **Friday, April 6<sup>th</sup>** from **6-10 p.m.** at **Fort Frenzy**. The event features live music, amazing student artwork, live auction, food Big tailgating games (think giant Jenga) a cash bar and more!

The FDCSD Foundation helps educators and students go above and beyond what district funding allows. The Foundation helps educators Go Big in the classroom by providing grants for professional development, technology and other educational items. In 2017, the FDCS Foundation granted more than \$45,000 to the FDCSD!

Tickets are \$40 per person and can be purchased on the [Foundation website](#). Contact Molly Nelson at 574.5327 or [mnelson@fdcsfoundation.org](mailto:mnelson@fdcsfoundation.org).