

THORNTOWN PARENT NEWSLETTER
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MISSION STATEMENT

We are a partnership of school and community that serves educational needs by providing a learning environment that is innovative, competitive, a builder of self-worth and fun!

FROM THE PRINCIPAL: We are thankful that we could have a full week of school! I encourage you to send your child with a warm coat. If there was a need for students to evacuate the bus or school for an emergency I want them to be prepared.

REUSE HEART & SOLE SHOE COLLECTION- Thorntown Elementary will participate in the REUSE Heart & Sole program. Families may bring any type of shoe, ones that are in reusable condition and ones that have seen their life! The Boone County Solid Waste Management District has teamed up with the Central Indiana non-profit called Changing Footprints. They will distribute the shoes that are in reusable condition. This is a win-win to keep shoes that take 200 years to decompose out of the landfill. **Shoes will be collected from February 1 until February 19.** Shoes may be brought to your child's classroom or delivered to the front office. Thanks for supporting our community and our environment with your donation

PRESCHOOL/KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP-Parents of eligible students are requested to attend round up on Wednesday, March 13 at 6:30 pm and Thursday, March 14 at 8:30am. Students must be 5 by August 1st to be eligible to enter kindergarten. The preschool will be a paid preschool. Students must be 4 by August 1 to be eligible to attend preschool. All interested families will have a space for their preschool child. The tuition will be \$230/month. Please bring your child's birth certificate, immunization records and proof of residency. Students are not required to attend.

WINTER BREAK: School will not be in session on Monday, February 18 or Tuesday, February 19.

SCIENCE FAIR: Our annual Science Fair will be held on Thursday, March 21. Information packets are available in the school office or on the school website.

JUMP FOR HEART-Mr. Mikesell will meet with students during their PE classes to share details about Jump for Heart. Students will begin practicing their jump roping skills during PE class. Please watch for further details about this annual fundraiser for the American Heart Association.

HEALTHY BODIES/HEALTHY MINDS DAY: With the help of our PTO we are planning a special day on April 19 to promote a healthy lifestyle for our students. We will have a visiting author on this day to talk about the importance of a growth mindset. Witham Health Services is partnering with us to provide stations about the importance of exercise and good nutrition. We will have a walk-a-thon on this day. Students may collect pledges to support PTO activities. These funds will be dedicated to funding field day in May. More details will follow about this exciting day!

COMMUNITY INFORMATION:

RIGGS COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER DENTAL CLINIC: The Dental Clinic accepts many forms on Medicaid and provides a sliding fee for all uninsured patients. Riggs Community Health Center is located at 414 West Camp Street, Lebanon, In. For further information, you may contact them at 765-483-4469 or www.riggshealthbc.com

DAISY FUN FOR KINDERGARTEN GIRLS-Girls Scouts welcomes kindergarten girls to join then for "daisy Fun" on Saturday, February 16 at the Lebanon Public Library. Activities for the

girls will run from 10:00-11:30am. Adults are asked to attend an information session at 11:30am to register girls. Annual membership for Girl Scouts is \$25 and financial assistance is available. Questions may be directed to Amanda Smith at 317-924-6894 or asmith@girlscoutsindiana.org
FREE TAX ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE BEGINNING FEBRUARY 16 FOR ELIGIBLE BOONE COUNTY RESIDENTS: Each year, thousands of Central Indiana residents pay hundreds of dollars to file their taxes, without knowing they may be eligible for free filing. Indy Free Tax Prep, a network of Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) sites, works to help ease the financial burden of the tax preparation process and ensure individuals and families with a household income of \$66,000 or less receive their full tax refund.

“We are excited to offer this important tax prep service in Boone County for the third consecutive year,” said Aaron Gore, Area Northwest Director. “It is an integral piece of our financial stability programming and directly impacts our friends and neighbors in Boone County.” Boone County residents who qualify for free tax preparation services may call the local United Way office at **765-483-0165** to schedule an appointment. The Boone County Free VITA site will be held at the Lebanon Public Library (104 E. Washington Street). Taxpayers with a combined household income of \$66,000 or less can also choose to self-file their taxes online for free at **myfreetaxes.com**.

In 2018, more than 7,500 tax returns were prepared for Central Indiana residents at no cost, resulting in more than \$9 million in refunds and \$1.5 million saved in tax preparation services. Indy Free Tax Prep volunteers are certified by the IRS and are available on-site to provide free, basic federal and state tax return preparation. To learn more visit **indyfreetaxprep.com**.

Upcoming Events:

- February 11-6th grade girl's basketball @ Attica-6:00
- February 18/19-Winter Break-no school
- February 19-6th grade girl's basketball @ Lebanon Middle School-6:00
- February 20-5th grade girl's basketball @ Clinton Central-6:00
- February 20-6th grade girl's basketball @ Crawfordsville Middle School
- February 21-M.A.T.H. Bowl
- February 27-6th grade girl's basketball @ Western Boone-6:00
- February 28-6th grade girl's basketball @ Western Boone-6:00
- March 2-5th grade girl's basketball tourney @ WB-9:00am
- March 6-5th grade girl's basketball @ home-6:00
- March 7-5th grade girl's basketball @ Sheridan-6:00
- March 8-Jump for Heart Convocation-1:00
- March 12-5th grade girl's basketball @ home-6:00
- March 12-6th grade girl's basketball @ Western boone-6:00
- March 13-Kindergarten/Preschool Roundup at 6:30pm
- March 14-Kindergarten/Preschool Roundup at 8:30am
- March 14-5th grade girl's basketball @ Granville Wells-6:00
- March 14-6th grade girl's basketball @ Western Boone-6:00
- March 18-24-3rd grade IREAD3 test
- March 18-5th grade girl's basketball @ home-6:00
- March 20-eLearning Day
- March 20-5th grade girl's basketball @ home-6:00
- March 21-Science Fair
- March 21-Spring Family Night 5:00 – 7:00
- March 25-29-Spring break

HAVE A GREAT WEEKEND!

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