

# WOODLAND WAYS

## February 2009

Hello!

It is February already! It was nice to see the sunshine this weekend. February will prove to be a short month filled with many activities. Please be sure to check out the calendar at the end of the newsletter.

We have been working very hard at Woodland to assure that your children learn to the best of their ability. Please be sure to talk with your child's teacher should you have any questions about your child's progress report.

I'd like to welcome Mrs. Sherri Leonardi. She has been working hard to learn all the operations of Woodland. She was welcomed last week with the printing of your child's progress reports, kindergarten registration, the end of a pay period, and countless tasks of the daily operation of the school! Whew! I must say she did an amazing job. Mrs. Abbott needed to work twelve months of the year, so she is working at Kimpton as the school registrar. She looks forward to welcoming your child when they reach 7<sup>th</sup> grade. It will be here before you know it!

I look forward to sharing the school day with your child. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns about the daily operation of the school. I pride myself in striving to make Woodland the kind of elementary school I would want my children (grandchildren) to attend.

Yours in Education,

Debra Milford  
Woodland Principal

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### **GOODSEARCH**

We have recently signed on GOODSEARCH. Woodland will receive a donation check whenever you use [www.goodsearch.com](http://www.goodsearch.com) as your search engine, and choose Woodland Elementary School – Stow, Ohio as your charity of choice, then do any online shopping using one of the many store options for gifts. We then earn a percentage of your total purchase in addition to the general search donation. We will keep you informed when we receive a check from GOODSEARCH.

### **LOST AND FOUND**

When you visit the building, please check out our lost and found for items that your child(ren) might have lost. Please put your child(ren)'s name or initials on everything. You will see several lost items hanging on the hooks in the main hall, across from the Gym.

## **TALENT SHOW STARS!**

The Woodland Talent Show will be held on Friday, February 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM. Mrs. Ladner will be organizing the event; and if you would like to help in any way, please let her know by emailing her at [jlader@neo.rr.com](mailto:jlader@neo.rr.com) or call her at 330-325-0900.

## **ONLINE STORYTELLING**

A great website that is available for story telling is [storylineonline.net](http://storylineonline.net). The web site reads popular stories, shows the illustrations and is even captioned for read alongs.

## **SCHOOL COUNSELOR NOTES**

Mrs. Yoder would like to share information regarding programs that are available this semester for children and/or family members. One is "Good Mourning", - a grief support program at Akron Children's Hospital that includes groups for children of ages 5 through the teen years, plus support for parents. The phone number is 330-543-3343, and groups meet on Tuesday evenings with dinner served at 6:30, then group meetings from 7:00-8:00pm. Dates for groups are February 24, March 30, April 14, May 19, July 14, August 18, October 6, and November 10, 2009. Website is [www.akronchildrens.org](http://www.akronchildrens.org). The Grief Care Place is offering a grief support for children ages 5-14 called "Kids Time" on Mondays from 5:00-6:15. The dates are January 12 & 26, February 9 & 23, March 9 & 30, and April 6 & 20. The address is 4499 Darrow Road, Stow, and the phone number is 330-686-1750. The website is [www.thegriefcareplace.org](http://www.thegriefcareplace.org). The University of Akron Clinic for Individual and Family Counseling is offering support groups in dealing with stress and/or anger. One is for teens – The Teen Stress/Anger Support Group: Conquer Your Stress/Anger, meeting on Tuesdays from 6-7:30pm, beginning on February 10. Another group is geared for adults – the Adult Stress/Anger Support Group: Conquer Your Stress/Anger, which will meet on Saturdays, from 10am-1:30pm beginning February 8, or Wednesdays, 7-8:30pm beginning February 11<sup>th</sup>. The address is 27 South Forge Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Akron, for both groups, and the phone number is 330-972-6822. The cost is \$5.00 per session. Individual, career couples, family, and other group counseling is also available through the Clinic. The website is [www.uakron.edu/clinics/ifc](http://www.uakron.edu/clinics/ifc).

## **A MUSICAL MESSAGE**

Ms. Gasser will be teaching singing lessons at ALL ABOUT DANCE BY KRISTEN. A voice class and private lessons are available. If you enjoy singing and would like to improve your voice, Ms. Gasser can give you some information regarding the lessons. Piano lessons are also available. Who knows maybe you will be the next AMERICAN IDOL!!!!

## **FREE LEGO MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS**

Free: 2 year subscription to Lego Magazine, which will be delivered every other month. Parents you need to call 1-800-835-4386. Stay on the line until the rep asks for student's name, age, and address.

## **ACME RECEIPTS**

Deadline for Acme receipts is February 20<sup>th</sup>. Please turn in as soon as possible.

## LOOKING AHEAD

### FEBRUARY

- 2** Grades K-2 OTELA Testing  
(English as a Second Language)
- 5** Reading Parties in Gym  
GR. 2 1:00-1:25  
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- 6** 11:30-12:30 BOOK BUDDIES with Stow Glen  
Residents in Library
- 9** 6:00 p.m. - Board of Education Meeting at  
Indian Trail Elementary
- 11** 9:45 a.m. - PTA Meeting in Library
- 13** Valentine Parties 10:30 – A.M. Kindergarten  
2:30 p.m. – P.M. Kdg. – 4<sup>th</sup> Gr.
- 16** **NO SCHOOL – PRESIDENTS DAY**
- 17** Grade 3: COGAT Testing
- 20** 11:30-12:30 BOOK BUDDIES with Stow Glen  
Residents in Library  
6:30 p.m. - Woodland Talent Show  
(Bake Sale for the Heart Association)
- 23** GRADE 3-4: OLETA Testing  
(English as a Second Language)  
7:00 p.m. - Board of Education Meeting at  
Stow High School
- 24** 6:00 p.m. - PTA Founder's Day Program at  
Joshua's Restaurant – Stow High School

### MARCH

- 2-6** Right to Read Week
- 4** 9:45 - PTA Meeting in Library
- 5** PTA Book Fair
- 6** 11:30-12:30 BOOK BUDDIES with Stow Glen  
Residents in Library
- 9** 6:00 p.m. - Board of Education Meeting at  
Highland Elementary
- 20** 11:30-12:30 BOOK BUDDIES with Stow Glen  
Residents in Library
- 23-27** **SPRING BREAK – NO SCHOOL**
- 30** 7:00 p.m. - Board of Education Meeting at  
Stow High School