

IF YOU'RE ENOUGH LUCKY TO BE IRISH, YOU'RE LUCKY ENOUGH!

~ IRISH SAYING

At right, Brian demonstrates scientific measurements?



# Dunn Middle School Newsnote

Monday, 3/15	Tuesday, 3/16	Wednesday, 3/17	Thursday, 3/18	Friday, 3/19
CLIMBING CLUB	<p>8th grade drama group: "Anne of Green Gables" 2:00-3:00 in the barn</p> <p>Girls' B'Ball @ Jonata "B" @ 5:30/"A" @ 6:30</p>	<p>PARENT MEETING 7-8:00 in Donna's room</p>	<p>Hike Club 2:30-5:30 SPIRIT DAY #4</p> <p>Girls' B'Ball @ Los Olivos "B" @ 5:30/"A" @ 6:30</p>	<p>Science Fair Work Club 3:30-4:30</p>



**At left:** Natalie, Abigail, and Kalena working in class. **Center left:** Dawn in her 7th grade language arts class.



**At right,** Thanks to our outstanding coach Mireille Mills, DMS boys matched the girls' team by placing #1 in the middle school tennis season. Congratulations to all the boys who participated.



**Below left:** Michael working with the 8th grade geometry class.



## Marc Kummel's Weekly Stumper

MARC'S STUMPER FOR THE WEEK

ABOUT LAST WEEK'S STUMPER

Here are some tricky *geography* stumpers to ponder. Which U.S. state is closest to Africa? Which two states contain the most distant points in the U.S.? What's the biggest city east of Reno and west of Denver? If you fly straight off the coast from Santa Barbara, which continent will you hit first? If you fly due south from Key West, Florida, which country in South America will you hit first? If you sail through the Panama Canal from east to west, which ocean will you get to? Check your answers with any real globe. Why are these so hard?

You can take pictures with a dirty lens. You won't see the dust and grime, but your photos will look hazy and unsharp. I'm sure dust scatters some light and reduces contrast. The real problem is that your camera can't focus as close as the dust. Try holding a pencil very close to one eye and close the other. You can "see through" the sharp point, but imagine everything blurred the same way. The world looks better with clean lenses, but remember *Hippocrates'* advice - "First, do no harm." Learn the right way to care for your camera lenses!

## **IMPORTANT PARENT MEETING WEDNESDAY**

On Wednesday night at 7:00 , all parents will have the opportunity to meet with your child's grade level outdoor education instructors to hear more about the trips that will begin on March 28 and 29. We will send home any important reminders via email.

## **ANNE OF GREEN GABLES ON TUESDAY @ 2:00**

Eighth grade students were fortunate to have the opportunity to work with a real professional this year. Polly Walker directed Anne of Green Gables for the enrichment class, and the final performance is this Tuesday in the barn at 2:00. Parents are welcome to attend. There will be no basketball practice that day.

## **DO YOU HAVE FREQUENT FLIER MILES?**

The Earwig Extravaganza is a significant fundraiser for Dunn Middle School and Dunn High School. We are very fortunate to have a few exciting opportunities in foreign countries or distant vacation locations. **IF YOU HAVE FREQUENT FLIER MILES AND WOULD BE WILLING TO DONATE THEM**, we can combine them with vacation opportunities. Contact Linda Smith or Julie Silvino (Julie can be reached at 688-6471 or [jsilvino@dunnschool.org](mailto:jsilvino@dunnschool.org)).

## **DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE EARWIG EXTRAVAGANZA?**

A packet went home in the Friday Folder on March 5. If you did not receive the information, please contact Linda Smith, the DMS office, or [jsilvino@dunnschool.org](mailto:jsilvino@dunnschool.org). We would love any donations for the auction, golfer registrations for the tournament, or dinner reservations. The event last year was **EXTREMELY** fun. It is a casual evening that benefits our school greatly. Thanks to those of you who have created 4somes already, are working on the auction, or are planning to make a donation. Your help is greatly appreciated.

## **S I G N U P F O R P I N G P O N G F E S T N O W !**

*The Ping Pong Festival is Sunday, March 21 from 12-4:00, and lunch is included! Contact Len Kado at [lkado@dunnschool.org](mailto:lkado@dunnschool.org) to register ASAP.*

## ***OUTDOOR ED CLOTHING***

We are now creating a lending closet for clothing or gear used for DMS trips. If your child has outgrown or replaced any items, we will gladly accept the donation and allow other students to use them in the future.

## **PORK, PASTA, AND PIE?! Sign me up!**

Thanks to the generosity of the Jones family and the creative efforts of our student cooking specialists at DMS, there will be a wonderful P DINNER coinciding with the Science Fair on March 26. **WHAT IS A P DINNER?** Imagine all your favorite foods that start with the letter P...PORK, PASTA, PIE, MAYBE EVEN PEANUT BUTTER PIE...WAHOO! Watch for the email registration or the form in the Friday Folder this week.