

Coffeen Elementary Parent News

March 2010

- The pennies for Haiti are piling up! We will count them up and send them to an Orphanage we have made contact with there. Thanks for helping your student get excited about giving.
- ISAT testing for grades 3-5 will begin NEXT WEEK - March 1-12. Please make **extra** effort to prepare them without creating stress and anxiety.



ISAT Testing Hints and Helps



WAYS TO HELP YOUR CHILD BE AT HIS/HER BEST FOR TEST TAKING:

- ☺ Be sure your child gets a good night's sleep.
 - ☺ Be sure your child wears comfortable clothes to school.
 - ☺ Be sure your child has a good breakfast before going to school.
 - ☺ Avoid disagreements/arguments the night before testing and the morning of the test.
 - ☺ Be sure you remind your child to do his/her best. Learn to take testing seriously.
- We are now collecting Tyson A+ Learning labels! Please help us collect them.
 - The following websites are used by students in our K-5 classrooms. They are ones your kids can use at home! www.kids.yahoo.com, www.spellingcity.com, www.primarygames.com, www.coolmath-games.com, www.multiplication.com, www.internet4clasroom.com, www.worldbook.com. and www.scholasticbookflix.com (for Bookflix you will need user name "coffeen" and the password "bookflix")
 - Pre-Kindergarten Screening Registration for children coming to Pre-K Fall 2010 will be the week of March 22-26. Stop in at any of the elementary buildings, Coffeen, Witt or Beckemeyer to pick up paperwork and get an appointment card for the May screening. There has been a lot of concern about the State of Illinois budget and its effect on grant funded programs, such as Pre-K. We are planning for the same number of classrooms this fall that we currently have, with some modifications, we will have more info at screening!
 - The Parent Workshop 1-2-3 Magic is being offered Thursday, March 18. This is a DVD you review and discuss, for giving parents proactive strategies to change negative behaviors.
 - **Dental Reminder!** Dental exams for all students in Kindergarten, Second and Sixth grades are required by the State of Illinois. The examination report must be submitted to the school by May 15, 2009 for students currently in these grades. The examination must be completed no more than 18 months prior to May 15 of the year your child was in Kindergarten, Second or Sixth grade. If you have any questions please call your school nurse, Kim Matthews, RN.