



Clark Connection



James Clark School
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Choose Your Words
Respect Your School

Clark Keys to Success



Like Yourself
Accept Differences
Kindness Is The Key



Dear Clark Families:

It is February and the 100th day of school is February 15th. The year is moving along quickly. The good news is that we haven't had any snow days since the big storm in October. Let's hope our good luck continues for the rest of winter.



There is a publication; Elementary School Parents *make the difference!* published by the Parent Institute (www.parent-institute.com). The article *Use the six E's to teach about responsibility* provides some tips on how you can help your child develop the trait of responsibility at home by using the six E's:

- 1. Explain it.** Talk about what responsibility means. Give some examples.
- 2. Examine it.** Look for examples of responsibility. Did a character on a TV show take responsibility for his actions? Point it out and talk about it.
- 3. Exhibit it.** Your personal example is still the strongest way to teach.
- 4. Encourage it.** Help your child think about ways she can be responsible. She could pick up her room every day. Be sure you take notice and praise her. When she does her homework without nagging, say something.
- 5. Expect it.** Set rules and consequences. Now that he knows what you expect, make sure he follows through. Make sure there are consequences if he doesn't.
- 6. Evaluate it.** How is she doing? After a few weeks, talk again.

I hope you find these pointers helpful. Teaching children responsibility at school and at home will help them grow up to be responsible adults.

Shelley Russell

Principal

Winterfest 2012

Saturday, February 11th 3 ~ 6 p.m.

Penny Carnival with Ziti & Meatball Dinner
Dinner served from 4:00 ~ 6:00 p.m.

Dinner includes: ziti, meatballs, rolls, salad and dessert
Drinks: water, lemonade and coffee

Dinner tickets are: \$5 Adults \$3 Children
Ages 2 and under eat free!

Interested volunteers may call
Karen Cleavall at 786-7459.

Raffle tickets on sale for an iPad 2!



Science Fair
Thursday, March 29th
Awards 6 ~ 7 pm

- * **Labeled projects (name & grade) brought in March 29th in the morning to the gym.**
- * **Parents and students are invited to return to school that same night for the awards presentation.**

Any awards not presented will be sent home with students. If you have any questions or concerns please forward them to:

trumplik@agawamteachers.org

Thank you!



James Clark PTO

President: Valerie Mulka
 Vice President: Laura Fallon
 Secretary: Paula Bolduc
 Treasurer: Maria DiLullo
 Fundraising: Amy Mendrala

Contact: jamesclarkpto@aol.com



**WE ARE ON THE WEB!
 CHECK IT OUT!**

www.agawampublicschools.org
 Click on James Clark School

**PBIS February Activity
 Friday, February 10th
 Coloring Contest**

All entries due today

10 Keys to participate

REMEMBER!

Winter Vacation

NO SCHOOL

February 20th - 24th



**James Clark Pride ~
 Wildcat Car Magnets
 \$4 each**

Send cash or check into James Clark PTO with a note stating how many you want and child's name and room number for delivery.



PTO MEETING

Wednesday, February 15th
 Starts at 6:30 p.m. in the Cafeteria

POPCORN SALE

Tuesday, February 14th



February 2012



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9 School Improvement Council 4 pm	10 PBIS Coloring Contest	11 WINTERFEST
12	13	14 Popcorn Sale <i>Inspireworks</i>	15 PTO Meeting	16	17	18
19	20 NO SCHOOL	21 NO SCHOOL	22 NO SCHOOL	23 NO SCHOOL	24 NO SCHOOL	25
26	27	28 <i>Inspireworks</i>	29	** VALENTINE'S DAY NOTICE** Please do not send in any candy or food on Valentine's Day. Cards only please! Thank You.		