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# MALCOLM PRICE LABORATORY SCHOOL ELEMENTARY NEWSLETTER

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## Elementary Newsletter

The Elementary Newsletter is a new publication this year. Its purpose is to keep parents and others in the school community of Malcolm Price Laboratory School informed about upcoming school-related events, educational issues, and student activities. As we move through this school year, we welcome your comments and suggests about the newsletter. We want it to be informative and a vehicle to encourage and strengthen school and community relations.

## Parenting Fair Planned

Parenting is an important and often times overwhelming responsibility. Each of us at times need support and information to be more effective in our parenting role. But where do parents find help?

The Family and Children's Council of Black Hawk County is sponsoring a "Parenting Fair" for both parents and professionals on **Tuesday, October 18, 1988**, from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. Participants will be helped by the fair to become more knowledgeable about parenting resources in the community. The fair will include informational displays and educational mini-sessions. The fair will be held at Central Intermediate School on South Hackett Road. Admission is free, child care is provided, and light refreshments will be served.

Door prizes will be given away to participants in a drawing. Pre-registration is required by October 14 for anyone wanting child care at the Parenting Fair. To register for child care or for more information on the Parenting Fair, call the Black Hawk County Extension Office at 234-6811.

## School Day Hours

Reminder: We strongly encourage children to arrive at school no earlier than 8:15 a.m. Safety patrol begins operating and the school lobby is supervised starting at that time. School begins at 8:30 a.m and is dismissed at 3:00 p.m. Safety patrol will operate from 3:00 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.

## Parent/Teacher Conferences

Fall parent/teacher conferences will be held on the following dates:

November 7 Noon to 8:00 p.m.

November 9 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

## Unit III Homeroom Meeting

The Unit III homeroom meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on October 11, 1988 in Unit III. Teachers will discuss curriculum plans for this year and there will be an opportunity to visit informally with the teachers and other parents.



## Home/School Communication

Through our parent/teacher conferences, homeroom meetings, PTP meetings and other school-related activities, we attempt to keep in touch with parents to establish good channels of communication. However, once in a while, a parent will bring to our attention a problem which their child is facing of which we are completely unaware. For instance, a child may be having a particular social problem which is not especially visible in the classroom but which, in the eyes of the child, is extremely painful. We do not want to let a problem such as this become a big issue before we know about it.

As a faculty, we welcome contacts from parents at times other than the fall or spring conference. Please call your child's teacher whenever you have a concern about any aspect of your child's school experience. We welcome your input! We also want to hear about occasions to celebrate. The following item is really something to celebrate.

### Congratulations!! Aaron McAdams

Aaron recently tied for first place in the Ernest Hemingway National Writing Contest for authors twelve years and under. Aaron submitted a short story entitled "Underground." His prize included a copy of the book Old Man and the Sea, with an inside inscription by Ernest Hemingway's great granddaughter. We are not only proud of Aaron but recognition of this type reflects well on our language arts instruction as well. Congratulations to Aaron and all of his teachers!



## School Bus Policy

If your child rides the school bus and on a given day wishes to be dropped off at any other point on the route than the one which has been established by the Cedar Falls or Waterloo Schools, this request must be made in writing by the parent. Particularly with young children, we cannot accept changes in the drop-off point over the telephone.

## PTP (Parents and Teachers in Partnership)

The first meeting of the PTP organization was held at 7:00 p.m. on September 29 in Butzier Auditorium. Dr. David Else, the new Head of the Department of Teaching, addressed issues related to future directions for the Laboratory School.

If you are not presently a member of the PTP organization, contact any of the officers. Annual dues are \$3.00 per person.

PTP Officers for the 1988-89 School Year:

President	Vicki Grimes
Vice-President	Anita Johnson
Secretary	Sue Sawyer
Treasurer	Linda Weber

One of the major functions of the PTP is the annual carnival. The carnival generates money which has been used to support a number of school projects. This year the carnival will be held in Nielsen Field House in late winter or early spring. If you are willing to help with any aspect of the carnival, let Vicki Grimes know at 273-2761.

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### ITBS Testing

The ITBS Tests for grades 4-6 have been scheduled for the week of November 14-18.

### Special Area Conference Reports

Special area conference reports should be completed and routed to classroom teachers no later than Thursday, November 3, 1988.

### News From the A.V. Center

The A.V. Center is completely booked with jobs in design, typesetting, layout and printing for the next two weeks except for daily instructional printing and lamination. Please try to plan your requests as far ahead as possible to accommodate the coordination of their schedule.

### End of Nine Weeks

The PLS first nine weeks ends Friday, October 28, 1988. Changes in special areas will begin on Monday, October 31, 1988.

### Lost and Found

A woman's gold watch was found in the staff room on Wednesday, October 26. It may be claimed in the Department Office. There are also two children's watches with blue bands in the elementary office. If any of the children are missing a watch, they may should contact Karen in the elementary office.

### New Offices and Phone Number

With the office changes brought on by the Center for Early Developmental Education Judy Finkelstein (2101) may be reached in the office off the mail room. Steve Decker (6028) may be reached in the elementary office and Barb Luhning of Unit II may be reached by dialing 6887.

### The Education Network

The Education Network, a new non-profit professional organization, is committed to the improvement of the education system through empowerment of educators and students. Sarah Barker, a guest educator this semester in the Theatre Department, is a volunteer representative for this organization and is looking for interested faculty members who may wish to become involved in their programs and conferences. If you would like more information, please contact the elementary office.



Update on Gretta's Road Show

As you are well aware, there will be an elementary assembly on **November 8, 1988 at 9:30** in Butzier Auditorium. The first 15 minutes will be devoted to patriotic singing for grades N-6. At 9:45 Gretta's troupe will perform a theatre-in-education play which focuses on three major concepts: social interaction, rules and laws, and conflict resolution.

On **Thursday, November 10, 1988** a classroom follow-up session will be conducted by the actors for grades 2-6. There will be two session times according to the following schedule:

9:45-10:15

10:15-10:45

Strub  
McClain  
Mashek  
Tallakson  
Wolfe

Teig  
Betterton  
Christensen  
Yoder  
Hornby

You will need to make arrangements with the special area people about rescheduling or cancelling classes. Let me know if there are any insurmountable problems with this schedule.

Parents' Weekend

All faculty are encouraged to visit the College of Education Parents' Weekend Open House from 1-4 p.m. in the lobby of the Education Center on Saturday, October 29, 1988. Price Laboratory School will have a display which again is being coordinated by Kent McIntyre. Thanks Kent!!

## Homeroom Parents for the 1988-89 School Year

N-K	Holmes	Renell Richter
	Rouse	Lori Simpson
		Tim/Debi Schmidt
		Pam Christensen
1st	Finkelstein	Cindy Hahn
	Moore	Mary Horstmeier
		Dorothy Perry
		Janet Reimer
2nd	McClain	Patty Bolhuis
		Linda Bowlin
	Strub	Connie Kolar
3rd	Mashek	Mike Prah
	Tallakson	Gerald Intemann
		Sue Luck
4th	Wolfe	Dorothy Clausen
	Teig	Christie Carmichael
5th	Betterton	Sue/John Stater
	Christensen	Karen McCabe
		Steve/Gail Moon
6th	Hornby	Dana Lichty
	Yoder	Arlene Cook
		Sandy/Al Hoy

### Focus on New Faculty

Ms. Vicky Mashek has joined the elementary staff as third grade teacher for the 1988-89 school year. She has her B.A. and M.A. degrees from the University of Northern Iowa in elementary education and elementary administration. Currently she is working on her doctorate in reading at the University of Northern Iowa.

For the last three years, Ms. Mashek taught fourth grade at Longfellow in Waterloo. She has two children, a daughter Keoni who is in fifth grade at Lincoln School here in Cedar Falls and a son Carlos who is in sixth grade and lives in Ankeny, Iowa with his father.

When Ms. Mashek is not at the school working, which has been seldom lately, she likes to run and play volleyball. Welcome to Price Laboratory School Vicky!!



Ms. Vicky Mashek  
3rd Grade  
Unit III

## PLS HOT LUNCH MENUS

OCTOBER

All Menus subject to change.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Oct. 3 Chicken Sandwich Vegetable Sticks Lettuce Salad Apple Crisp Milk	Oct. 4 Tator-Tot Casserole Bread/Butter Cooked Carrots Lemon Cheese Cake Milk	Oct. 5 Hot Dog French Fries Fresh Fruit Milk	Oct. 6 Lasagna School-made Bread with honey Green beans Applesauce Milk	Oct. 7 Hot Ham and Cheese Sandwich Potato Salad Sliced Pears Pumkin Bar Milk
Oct. 10 Chicken Noodle Soup Peanut Butter or Tuna Salad Sand. Fresh Fruit Cookie Milk	Oct. 11 Beef & Noodles Bran Muffin Mixed Vegetables Sliced Peaches Milk	Oct. 12 Hamburger Baked Beans Fruit Jello Salad Choc. Chip Bar Milk	Oct. 13 Baked Chicken Mashed Potatoes Sliced Pears Orange Jello Fluff Milk	Oct. 14 Beef Burrito Nachos w/ cheese Fresh Fruit Brownie Milk
Oct. 17 Hot Dog French Fries Cole Slaw Apple Milk	Oct. 18 Taco Salad Corn Bread Fruit Cocktail Milk	Oct. 19 Toasted Cheese Sandwich Fresh Fruit Vegetable Sticks Cake Milk	Oct. 20 Italian Spaghetti with meat sauce Cheese Stick Garlic Toast Applesauce Milk	Oct. 21 BBQ Pork Sand. Corn Pineapple Chunks Cookie Milk
Oct. 24 Egg Salad or Peanut Butter Sand. Garden Vegetable Soup Sliced Peaches Pudding Milk	Oct. 25 Chili Cinnamon Roll Vegetable Sticks Applesauce Milk	Oct. 26 Chicken Sandwich Pea Salad Fresh Fruit Granola Bar Milk	Oct. 27 Sausage Links Macaroni and Cheese Bread/Butter Peas Sliced Pears Milk	Oct. 28 Sloppy Joe Hamb. Sandwich French Fries Orange Rice Krispie Bar Milk
Oct. 31 Ham Loaf Corn Casserole Mixed Fruit Cup Bread/Butter Milk				

### Lunch Tickets

This year we are trying a new system with the lunch program. When you come into the Elementary Office to purchase lunches for your child, a lunch ticket will be issued and placed in an envelope for your child's teacher. As the children line up for lunch they are given their ticket and the ticket is punched and collected as they go through the line. When the ticket is used up, the child will bring it home so you know that a new ticket must be purchased. We appreciate your efforts in keeping your child's lunch ticket up to date and your patience as we begin this new system. If you have any questions about your child's lunch, let us know in the Elementary Office by calling 273-2512.

