

THE NEWSLETTER FOR AND ABOUT WOODLAND DEVELOPMENTAL CENTER

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From Principal, Natalie Adair
2023 - 2024 School Year

A Note From the Principal:

Hello Woodland Students and Families -

Happy March! We hope this letter finds you and your family in good health and high spirits as we embrace the arrival of spring and celebrate the joys of reading. March is an exciting time for us as we dive into various literacy activities at Woodland. We have kicked off our one book one school reading of *The Tale of Despereaux* by Kate Di Camillo. In this adventure readers are welcomed to the story of Despereaux Tilling, a mouse who is in love with music, stories, and a princess named Pea. It is also the story of a rat called Roscuro, who lives in the darkness and covets a world filled with light. And it is the story of Miggery Sow, a slow-witted serving girl who harbors a simple, impossible wish. These three characters are about to embark on a journey that will lead them down into a horrible dungeon, up into a glittering castle, and, ultimately, into each other's lives. And what happens then? As Kate DiCamillo would say: "Reader, it is your destiny to find out."

We have an exciting eventful calendar full of opportunities to engage our students' love of reading. Our goal this month is to increase students' stamina and love of reading. If they haven't caught the reading bug yet, we hope they will in March! As you walk the halls at Woodland, you are greeted by a life size reading castle where daily readings are happening within the building. Walk further into the building and you will see classroom doors decorated to celebrate reading. Votes are being taken for the best decorated door (pictures are on the Woodland Facebook page).

Thank you for your help and support during the unexpected power outage due to the early spring storm last week. We were able to connect with our families and keep them informed via our sky messenger system. If you need to update your contact information for sky messenger, please call Michelle Beeler in the main office. Additionally, we have some important updates regarding our Annual Education Report (AER) on the AER report. More information on the AER report can be found within this newsletter. Just a reminder, our last day of school for spring break is Friday, March 22, 2024.

All The Best,
Natalie Adair - Principal



Woodland Developmental Center is operated by the St. Clair County Regional Educational Service Agency

Woodland School Office Hours and Contact Information:

Office Hours: 8:00 am - 4:30 pm Monday - Thursday

8:00 am - 3:30 pm - Friday

Woodland Main Office Phone Number: 810-455-1011

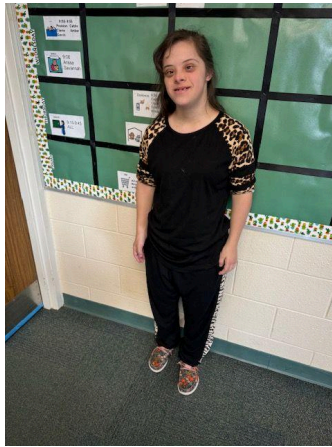
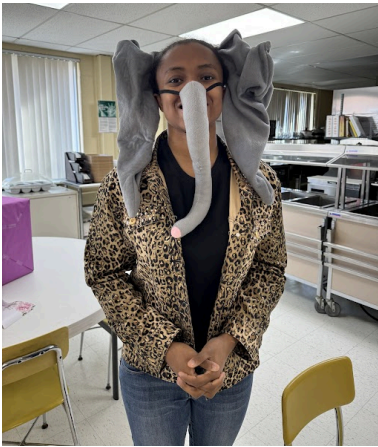
North Secretary: Michelle Beeler

Secretary to the Principal: Kendra Rosemeck

Principal: Natalie Adair Assistant Principal: Rose Paterson

Dean Transportation Phone Number: 810-364-7757

March Came in like a lamb . . . Also known as Wild About Reading Month:



March Reading Month Kick Off Assembly

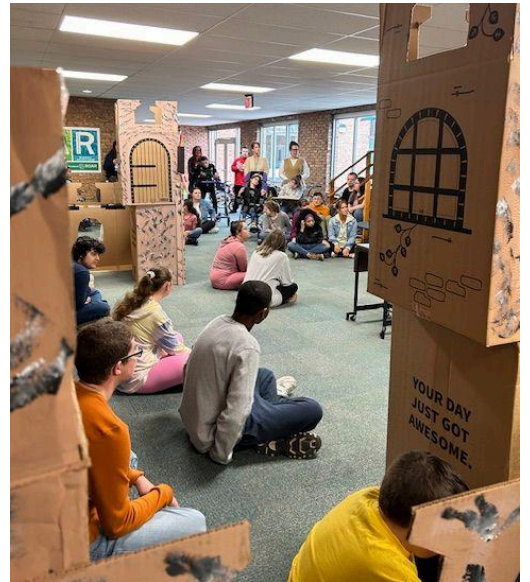
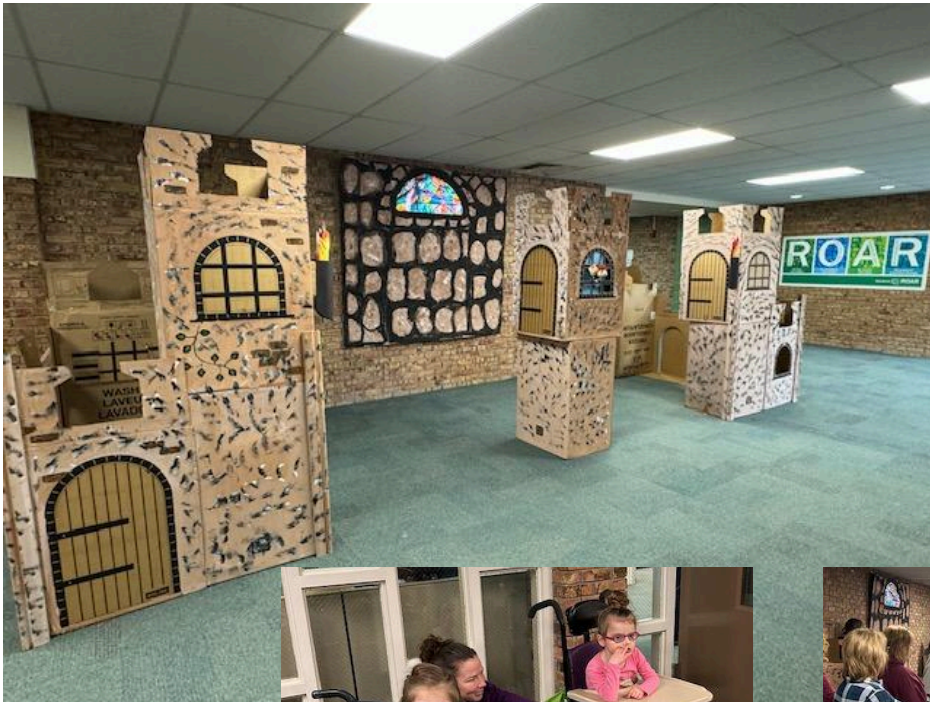
Students entered the castle as they came to the assembly.



A special visitor came to the assembly with a special surprise



On Monday, March 4, 2024 students were greeted with a surprise by a life size castle when they came into the building. The castle is used each day for our whole school readings as well as classrooms can go use it throughout the school day.



Annual Education Report Notice (AER):

We are pleased to present you with the Annual Education Report (AER), which provides key information on the 2022-23 educational progress for Woodland Developmental Center. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by federal and state laws. The school's report contains information about student assessment, accountability and teacher quality. If you have any questions about the AER, please contact Natalie Adair, principal, and we can arrange a time to review the report.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site Annual Education Report <https://www.sccresa.org/fs/resource-manager/view/3dc07a74-6c84-46d6-b6a3-b8c5fe0f5d30>, (English) <https://www.sccresa.org/fs/resource-manager/view/b0552b06-8759-433a-af70-24d13e7551e0>.(Spanish) or you may request to review a copy in the main office at Woodland.



March at Woodland

Thursday, March 7, 2024 - Field Trip for Some classes - Beauty and The Beast - McMorran Auditorium

Friday, March 15, 2024 - Fun Fitness Friday - Theme Wear Green

Tuesday, March 19, 2024 - Woodland PTO Meeting 12:00 Noon - (see below for details)

Friday, March 22, 2024 - Last Day for Students - **No School 3/25/24 to 4/5/24**

March is Reading Month Spirit Days:

Friday, March 8, 2024 - Reading is active - Wear your activewear

Friday, March 15, 2024 - Reading Gives us Superpowers - Dress like your favorite superhero

Friday, March 22, 2024 - Team up for Reading - Wear your sports team gear

Join the Woodland PTO:

The Woodland PTO plays a vital role in the education of our students. We feel extremely fortunate to have a caring, energetic group of parents that volunteer their time and efforts to give our students the best experience possible. Please consider joining the PTO.

The Woodland PTO needs you! PTO is in need of a new President and Treasurer for the 2024-2025 school year. Current PTO board members have students that will be program completing at the end of the 2023-2024 school year and will be leaving the Woodland PTO. Come learn more about Woodland PTO. Please join us at the next monthly PTO meeting Tuesday, March 19, 2024 at 12:00 noon. **Hope to see you there!**

Woodland PTO Butter Braid Fundraiser:

Woodland PTO is selling Butter Braids. As a reminder orders are due March 11, 2024, and will be delivered on March 14, 2024. Butter Braid orders can be picked up on March 14, 2024 between 2:00 and 5:00 pm. Come to the main entrance and let the office know you are here to pick up an order and it will be brought out to you in the vestibule.



In The Event of a School Closure

Winter is here, school closures are announced using School Messenger and news media sources (ex: Channel 4, WPHM 1380). If you are not registered with the School Messenger system, please call the main office at (810) 455-1011 and Michelle Beeler will assist you in getting signed up.

Contacting Woodland and Reporting an Absence

If you have general questions please call the school office directly at (810) 455-1011. For questions regarding bus transportation or to report an absence concerning transportation, call the transportation department at (810) 364-7757. If your child is not transported to school via bus transportation please report the student absence by calling the school office at (810) 455-1011.

Look for Woodland News on our Facebook Page



Woodland is on social media! If you haven't already, please search for "Woodland Developmental Center" on Facebook and like our page. We post pictures, reminders, notifications, and share other important information on this page. We would love it if you would "like" and "share" our posts so more people in our community can see how truly amazing our students and staff are. Many Woodland items are also posted on the "St. Clair County RESA" Facebook page, so please look for that, too!

Reminder: March Break

No School Monday, March 25, 2024 - Friday, April 5, 2024

Students Return to School on Monday, April 8, 2024
