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GATE Classroom Newsletter

Get to know you....

For those of you who don't yet know me, my name is Jennifer Park, and I am the GATE Coordinator. This is my third year here at Carlisle, and I am thoroughly enjoying it.

I graduated from Lonoke High School and went on to obtain a B.S. in Journalism-Public Relations from Arkansas State. After working in an office environment at UAMS, I chose to start the Non-Traditional Licensure Program to obtain my teaching license. Two years ago, I received my certification to teach GT, and I am currently continuing to work towards my Masters. Before coming to Carlisle, I taught 2nd grade at Romine Elementary in the Little Rock School District for 4 years.

I am married and have a daughter, Morgan, in 2nd grade here at Carlisle.

Dates to Remember

Field trip to Historic Arkansas Museum for the Fall School Fair

Friday, October 26, 2012

5th & 6th Grade Y.E.S. Business Plans due to <http://aeafoundation.com>

Friday, November 2, 2012

WDMESC Fall Chess Tournament in Beebe

Tuesday, November 13, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.

Supplies Needed

1. Flash Drive – any size
2. Composition Notebook for daily creativity journal
3. Pocket Folder

Introducing our new GATE students....

3rd Grade

Nessa Blair
Corbin Brown
Olivia Brown
Katelynn Corter

Sarah Means
Taylor Moran
Hailey Stringer

4th Grade

Audrey Fortner
Embry Thornton

5th Grade

Josie Fortner
Meyah Stovesand

2012-2013 GATE Schedule

6th Grade

Thursdays 9:30-11:00
Fridays 1:30-2:30

5th Grade

Mondays 10:00-11:30
Thursdays 1:30-2:30

4th Grade

Wednesdays 11:50-12:35, 1:40-2:25
Thursdays 8:00-9:00

3rd Grade

Tuesdays 8:05-8:50, 10:10-11:10
Wednesdays 8:05-8:50

Visit the new GATE website! www.carlislegate.weebly.com

The new GATE website is up and running! You will find pictures, web links, forms, and more! I am looking forward to adding more as the year progresses.

Check it out and let me know what you think! I would appreciate your feedback and ideas of how to improve it!

Current GATE Units

We started the year with 3rd & 4th grade GATE combined. Because this was such a large group, we were able to find a way to separate them.

3rd Grade:

We learned how to play Chess and have been practicing. We will definitely be prepared for the Chess Tournament in November!

We have now begun learning more about ourselves and each other. We have created an acrostic poem using adjectives that describe ourselves. We will also create a collage depicting our favorite things, a timeline describing our lives, a bucket list of our individual goals, and more. I am looking forward to getting to know these 3rd graders better!

4th Grade:

We have begun playing games to become more familiar with them and investigating the logic, skill, strategy, and probability involved. We have played Twister, Monopoly, and Kerplunk. Thank you for allowing your children to bring games for our class to play. Using all of this knowledge, students will then create their own game. Following that, we will be planned a Game Night to showcase and play all of the creative games. More information about this event to come later....

5th Grade & 6th Grade

Again, this year, we are going to participate in Y.E.S. (Youth Entrepreneur Showcase) for Arkansas through the Arkansas Economic Acceleration Foundation. Y.E.S. provides students all around the state the opportunity to showcase their creativity, intuition, and innovation. The students will create their own company, product, and business plan. It is always exciting to see the finished products! You will be able to do that in January at our Product Fair. I would encourage all of you to come! For more information on the Y.E.S. Project, visit www.aeafoundation.com

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Congratulations to Konner Elmore & Izzy Blair for winning 2nd & 3rd place in the Wilbur Mills Educational Cooperative's Spring Chess Tournament.

Releasing the butterflies in spring

