

Around the Round!

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Important Dates

June 6/4 Music Informance - Spencer, Wiater and Hull 6/5 Music Informance - Adkins, Del Vero and Rogers 6/7 Music Informance - Vincent and Sabo 6/7 - 6/8 Fourth grade to Mackinac 6/12 Field Day 6/13 Bowling Trip Kindergarten and

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6/15 Last day of school – dismissal 12:00

6/15 Clap out at 10:30

6/15 4th grade celebration 10:40 -11:30 (students return to class at 11:30)

6/29 School closes for the summer

School Hours

Monday -Thursday 8:50 – 3:50pm

Early Release Friday 8:50 - 2:50pm

Students may enter at 8:45am

What a Wonderful Year!

Round Elementary is wrapping up another successful school year! Beginning with Open House and the Fall Fun Run and ending with the Science and Art Fair, Mackinaw Island, and Field Day. It has been an amazing year!

We would like to thank the PTO members, countless parents and volunteers that helped our students grow. We couldn't do it without you.

I would also like to extend a special thank you to the staff for all their efforts to make Round Elementary a positive, caring, and enriching environment.

We hope you can join us for the 4^{th} grade "clap-out" at 10:30am on June 15^{th} . They will have a celebration in the gym from 10:40-11:30. The 4^{th} graders really enjoy this long standing tradition. We are wishing all the fourth graders a wonderful new school year at Farms Intermediate!

Just a quick reminder, Hartland Consolidated Schools is accepting kindergarten enrollment packets at the Board of Education office and each of the elementary schools. Enrollment packets can also be downloaded from the district website at www.hartlandschools.us. Please sign up for a Kindergarten Observation Survey time on August 15th or 16th when you enroll.

Round Elementary hopes that the entire Hartland community enjoys the summer. We feel blessed to have been part of your child's education this year. We look forward to seeing everyone back again next fall!

Sincerely, Mrs. Dotty Hottum

Sensei Says...If punishment does not work, what does? Catch them doing something right

As I promised in my article from last month "You cannot punish a child into good behavior" here is my follow up— <u>REWARDING APPROXIMATIONS OF SUCCESS</u> and <u>CATCH THEM DOING SOMETHING RIGHT</u>.

Before I reveal more about these two techniques it might be good to first tell you the reasons most parents do not use them.

First, when we approach our jobs as parents like we are teachers or trainers we naturally tend to gravitate toward "correcting" them. We fall into a habit of waiting until they do something incorrectly then step in and show them the right way. Isn't this what teaching is all about?

Second, just correcting is easier. You only have to watch for those few times they make a mistake and quickly give them feedback.

Rewarding Approximation of Success and Catching Them Doing Something Right will take hard work, patience and consistency.

Two "Approximation of Success" stories...

Do you remember when your first child took her/his first steps? She first tried to stand up and fell but you just kept encouraging her to try again. Finally after many attempts she takes her first two steps then tumbles to the ground. You run up with tears in your eyes, hugging and kissing your child. So, proud of her trying and succeeding! What if instead when she stumbled after her first step you said "Oh no! What is wrong with you! Get up! All the other kids can walk?!"

Do you know how they train dolphins to do those spectacular jumps over a rope 20 feet in the air? initially the trainer places a rope at the bottom of the tank, after they give the command and the dolphin goes over the rope they get a treat. Then slowly over weeks they raise the rope until it is out of the water. But what if instead the trainer started with the rope 20 feet out of the water and punished the dolphin when did not jump?

In both cases, would the baby try to walk again or the dolphin even want to get near that rope? Yet this is what we often do once a child is older. We suddenly expect so much so fast. Particularly at the beginning of something new we forget to reward incremental improvements along the path of learning. You will instill a "growth mindset" by learning to reward approximations of success by praising and rewarding effort, choices and the process a child uses instead of simply the end result. This will develop their desire to learn and motivation to always give it their best.

Catching them doing something right goes right along the same lines. Do you remember from last month's article what always breaks my heart to hear from a struggling child? "Sensei, everybody is always yelling at me?"

It seems to them like they can't do anything right? It might make more sense I will relate this to you at work. Let's say you have a great day and do nine things really well and your boss lets you know he is happy. But you have one simple task near the end of the day you mess up on and the boss is mad. Even

though you did those nine good things what is the only thing you remember? It takes 20, 30 or 40 good things to erase the bad thing. It is the same for your child.

A child may do something well 9 out of ten times. Or, do something correctly 90% of the time but what do we spend most of our time focusing or criticizing them about? The one time or the 10%. So try this instead. Go out of your way to recognize and catch the nine times or the 90%.

Watch for them doing something right and I bet that 90% goes up!

For superhero parenting, Sensei



DID YOU KNOW - You may be eligible for free preschool!

The Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP) is Michigan's state-funded preschool program for four-year-old children with factors which may place them at risk of educational failure. The program is administered by the Michigan Department of Education, Office of Great Start. Funding is allocated to each intermediate school district to administer the program locally.

Research on preschool programs and specific research on GSRP indicates that children provided with a high-quality preschool experience show significant positive developmental differences when compared to children from the same backgrounds who did not attend a high-quality preschool program.

http://www.michigan.gov/mde/0,4615,7-140-63533_50451---,00.html



A big thank you to our amazing bus drivers!

Links to support Summer Learning

You can access programs on our website that your child has been using all year at:

http://round.hartlandschools.us/Websites-by-Grade-Students/index.html

Additional sites of interest include:

The cumulative effects of reading loss: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ahhj3wxxkdM

Here are some great websites for parents K-12:

http://www.readingrockets.org/article/get-ready-summer-ideas-teachers-share-families#online

http://www.startwithabook.org/

http://www.scholastic.com/ups/campaigns/src-2015#age_screener/cleanup

http://imaginationsoup.net/2015/05/summer-reading-list-for-kids/

http://www.readwritethink.org/parent-afterschool-resources/

http://www.barnesandnoble.com/u/summer-reading/379003570/

Link to summer workbooks: http://www.summerskills.com/

Bus awards for Chloe Atkenson, Violet Heinonen and Brynn Watson. These girls helped Mr. Dana keep their bus safe and orderly! Round students Rock!





Dear Parent/s:

Hartland Consolidated Schools is excited to offer a summer literacy program designed to **accelerate** your child's reading and writing skills over the summer! Your child is being given the opportunity to participate in Summer Sensations. (Space is limited)

Summer Sensation is a four-week summer literacy program taught **by highly trained Hartland Teachers.** Summer Sensation is designed to use your child's individual strengths, interests and skills to improve his/her reading and writing abilities over the summer. A summer reading loss of 3 months is common for students who have experienced difficulty learning to read (Allington, 2006). After 3 summers, a child could be 1 full year behind. Summer Sensation is designed to prevent summer reading loss and increase student achievement.

Your child will receive **56 hours of instruction by a highly trained teacher for \$5.88/hour.** Summer Sensations will be taught **Monday - Thursday** from 8:30 am - 12:00 pm. from **July 10**th – **August 3rd.** The curriculum will focus on reading, writing, speaking and listening. The class size will be 15 students per teacher in order to maximize individual and small group learning opportunities. Your child will receive 56 hours of intensive reading and writing instruction by a highly trained teacher for \$329.00.

Your child's instructional program will be based on the strengths and needs that they demonstrate on the assessments given the first day of school. The Summer Sensation Curriculum is in alignment with the district English Language Arts Curriculum and all State and Federal Requirements under Every Student Succeeds Act. Summer Sensation is a research-based intervention designed to accelerate the reading and writing progress of all children who participate.

Please Contact Hartland Community Education to enroll at (810) 626-2150 or on the web: www.hartlandcommunityed.com

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Above: A big thank you to the veterans for their service



Celebrating with dinner at Mr. Kromer's house included some fun outdoors.

Thank you, Thank you very Much!

Staff appreciation week was fabulous!



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