

# Genoa *Elementary*

October  
2009

## **BFF=BASIC FACT FRIENDS**

Beginning this month, we will provide a school-wide program, which supports students' efforts to learn the Basic Math addition and multiplication facts and to make these facts automatic. BFF-Basic Fact Friends reviews, over the school year, the facts in a systematic way so that students experience each of the 36 addition and 36 multiplication facts in a different way to supplement their classroom experiences. Our goal is that by the end of 5<sup>th</sup> grade, every Genoa student will know the basic math addition and multiplication facts automatically.

Each week we will introduce, model and practice two basic facts. They are outlined on the calendar. We encourage parents to practice the facts, post them at home and ask your child about them on a regular basis to help them become automatic. Thank you for your support!

## **FOOTBALL BONANZA COUPONS**

During the football season we are collecting the football bonanza coupons in The Massillon Independent and The Canton Repository. Be sure to cut them out on Fridays and return them to school so Perry can win the competition this year!

## **BUS TRANSPORTATION**

Your child's bus pick-up (AM) and drop-off (PM) must be the same everyday of the week. If you wish to have your child picked up or dropped off at a different location on a five-day, regular schedule, it will be necessary to fill out a special request form. These requests can be obtained from the school office and must have the approval of the transportation office.

## **BIRTHDAY INVITATIONS**

Just a reminder that birthday invitations may NOT be passed out at school. This must be handled at home or through the mail. We are not permitted to give addresses. Please see the student handbook for detailed information.

## **SAFETY DRILLS**

We have been practicing various drills at Genoa school and our students are doing a wonderful job! Fire drills are held monthly throughout the school year and tornado drills are held monthly during tornado season. Lockdown drills are practiced should a situation arise that would warrant students being locked in classrooms in order to keep them safe. Code Red drills are practiced in case we would need to evacuate Genoa if it were determined that it was not safe to be at school. We practice exiting the building and walking to a designated area where buses would pick us up to transport us to another location. Bus evacuation drills are practiced if students would need to evacuate a bus due to an accident or any other situation that would require the to evacuate the bus. Safety of our students is a high priority, which is why we practice these important drills.

## **PAGE NEWS**

Plan on attending our annual Fall Fun Fest on Friday, October 30th from 6:30-8:30pm. We will have lots of games, prizes and sweet treats to eat. Wear your best costume and join the fun! We need lots of volunteers for setting up, cleaning up and helping during the event. We hope to see you there!

If you would like to be a room parent and could not attend the Room Parent Meeting, please send an e-mail or a note with your child to school. We are still looking for parents to help plan the holiday parties. Our e-mail address is [genoapage@yahoo.com](mailto:genoapage@yahoo.com).

Our next meeting is Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 in the cafeteria. Please join us!



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Custodians

Mr. Mike Flynn-AM

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*A sincere thanks to all our staff who make up the Genoa Team! Each individual plays a valuable part in our success.*