Principal’s Report

to the

School Board

We had our fair share of snow days during the month of February. Our students are always happy when the Superintendent calls off school, probably in an inverse proportion to their parent’s consternation of what to do with them on a snow day. Nevertheless, our Honeywell Instantalert System is running smoothly and no one has complained about communicating through this new technology. Thanks to the LPTO for funding this system!

Our Kindergarteners combined their learning of measurement with President’s Day and made a life-size replica (one dimensional, sort of like “Flat Abe”) of Abraham Lincoln. Each of them had a hand in this class project and they know more about both measuring and presidents. Our fourth graders are making a video for the NH Tourism Department and we shall see if we do as well as in previous years contest. They also Skyped a graphic artist into their classroom as part of their “Doodle for Google” initiative. The fifth and sixth graders are busy making videos as part of the North Country Film Festival. We entered nine videos and we will attend this festival on March 22nd to observe the winning videos. Over 30 videos have been entered into this event. We usually do quite well against the other elementary and middle schools that enter.

The Wunderlee Big Top Adventures came to school last week! Our five day long Residency Program just ended and everyone thoroughly enjoyed learning new skills and activities through circus performances. We had students juggling, walking on big balls, pogo sticking, balancing various items, and generally working together to perform many circus acts and skits. Students who don’t usually excel in other traditional sports were amazing in how fast they grasped some of these skills! It was truly a joy to watch the culminating activity along with a bleacher full of parents, grandparents, and family friends.

We will complete our Winter Program tomorrow. These five days (lost a day through cancellation) have been incredibly successful in instructing our students in life-long recreational skills and activities. For some of our students, this is the only time that they get out to experience these types of activities.

Our Heating System Project continues to be a source of interest to many people in our community. Energy solutions in this day and age are never very easy, however, the Building and Grounds Committee of the School Board have performing due diligence in their research into this complex project.
As always, please do not hesitate to contact me regarding this report or any other school related matter. Thank you for all of your time and efforts on behalf of the children of our community.

Respectfully submitted,

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