

Carrington Middle School

Paw Prints

February 5, 2010

National Middle School to Watch

Dear Carrington Supporters,

Welcome to Paw Prints! Paw Prints is meant to keep you informed of school events well in advance. Please tell your friends to subscribe to the "Paw Prints" CMS Email Updates in order to receive continuous information. Paw Prints is a great way to keep in touch with Carrington news and events. You can subscribe by sending a blank email to: [CMS-Cougars-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:CMS-Cougars-subscribe@yahoogroups.com)

Sincerely,

Steven Nowicki

Seventh Grade Assistant Principal

**Upcoming Dates:**

Monday, February 8	Collection Day for Hats for Haiti
Tuesday, February 9	Hats for Haiti- See below for more information Haiti T-shirts go on sale
Wednesday February 10	Early Release Day- Students released at 12:20 Wrestling Tournament @ Brogden
Thursday, February 11	Board Game Club Meeting- 2:30- Room C-29 Girls' Basketball- Semi-Finals Game at Rogers Herr- 4:00pm 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to Hillside Play- Makeup PTO Executive Board Meeting - 5:30 - Media center

Friday, February 12

Cougar Spiritwear Sold During Lunch

Saturday, February 13

Boys' and Girls' Basketball Championship at DSA- 12:00pm

**Announcements:**

-Hats for Haiti has been rescheduled for Tuesday, February 9<sup>th</sup>. For a minimum donation of one dollar, students may wear a hat to school. 100% of the proceeds will go to the American Red Cross for Haiti relief. Money will be collected on Monday, February 8<sup>th</sup>. Students may also bring in donations.

-Haiti Awareness Day will also be held on Tuesday, February 9<sup>th</sup>. We will have displays and information for all students about this tragedy. We will also have general collection areas set up for monetary donations. We will send home order forms for T-shirts that support Haiti. Orders will be due at the end of the week. All proceeds will go to the American Red Cross. Your generosity is appreciated as we show that Carrington cares.

-Our next PLC Early Release Day will be on Wednesday, February 10. Students will be released at 12:20pm. The Carrington Staff uses this time to meet and prepare for upcoming EOG Tests and create ways to better help students succeed.

-The Book Fair is coming from Monday, February 22 - Friday, February 26 with special evening hours on Thursday, February 25. Also, a special "Breakfast with Books" event will be held on Friday, February 26<sup>th</sup> from 7:00-10:00 am. Be sure to check it out!

-8<sup>th</sup> Graders who did not pass the Computer Skills Test last year will be taking a computer test in the coming weeks. The test will be an online assessment of their technology skills. However, the test is no longer a graduation requirement.

-If you have ideas on how to improve the Carrington webpage, please email your ideas to [david.ross@dpsnc.net](mailto:david.ross@dpsnc.net) We want to hear from you!

## **The Cougar Way (Policy and Procedure Reminders for Parents)**

**Because of the recent inclement weather, I thought I would keep this up for another week.**

**Adverse Weather-** When adverse weather conditions cause the schools to be dismissed early, an announcement will be made on local radio and television stations. It is important that you make arrangements in advance for your child and that you inform your child of those arrangements.

All children not riding the school bus must be picked up no later than 30 minutes after the early dismissal time.

The following TV and radio stations will be notified if schedules must be altered due to bad weather:

**TV:** WTVD- 11, WRAL- 5, WNCN -17, WLFL-22, WRDC- 28, WKFT-40, WRAZ-50

**RADIO:** WDNC (620FM), WDCG (6-105FM), WPTF (680 AM), WQDR (94.7 FM), WRAL (MIX 101.5 FM), WBBB (96.1 FM), WRBZ (850AM), WFXC (FOXY 107.1 FM) WDUR (1490AM), WTIK (1310 AM), WSRC (1410 AM), WRTP (1530 AM), WFTK (1030 AM), WCHL (1360 AM), WRDU (106.1 FM), WTRG (100.7 FM), WRSN (93.9 FM) WNNL (103.9 FM), WQOK (97.5 FM), WKXU (101.5 FM), WUNC (91.5 FM)

Sometimes schools will operate on a Delayed School Opening Schedule as an alternative to closing school on bad weather days. In some instances when the weather is relatively stable and road conditions show signs of improving later in the morning, a delayed schedule will be announced. The delay will be two hours. When school opening is delayed two hours, bus routes and after school programs and activities will operate on the same day. The breakfast program will not operate.