



Altoona Intermediate School
Altoona, Wisconsin



May 2022 Newsletter

From the Principal, Andrea Steffen:

Mark your calendar! Our Family Learning Night/3rd Grade Orientation will be Monday, May 23rd. There will be more details coming soon!

We had a fabulous turnout for the AIS play! Thank you Mrs. Scott and Mrs. Statz for all of your hard work helping the students have fun and for putting smiles on family's faces!

The AIS students are getting close to achieving their behavior goal from last month. The theme is Super AIS Students in Specials and they are demonstrating Respect, Responsibility and Safety in Specials Classes. Specials teachers will be rewarding classrooms with a sticker to add to the Superhero Shields in the iZone. The goal is 200 stickers and they will have a celebration once they reach their goal.



UPCOMING EVENTS (See the attached flyers for more information.)

***The Meltdown Management class for parents was rescheduled for Tuesday, May 3rd.**

***5th grade parents can attend a band instrument rental Tuesday, May 3rd.**

***4th grade parents can go online and order school supplies for next year.**

MELTDOWN MANAGEMENT

MINDSET, TIPS AND TOOLS FOR ALL
PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS
BY CERTIFIED PARENT COACH DANA PARISI

*What to do "in the moment" of a meltdown

*What you can do to decrease the meltdowns!

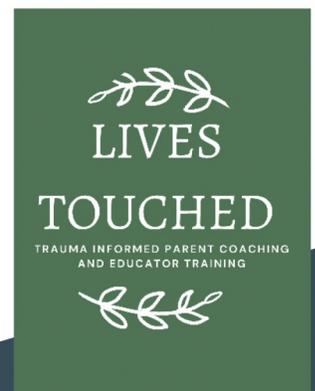
Altoona Elementary School

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5-6:30PM

**Rescheduled for
Tuesday, May 3rd*

Dinner and childcare provided
Please RSVP using the QR code:



Check this out! 5th Graders (going into 6th grade next year) - Below is the information for the band instrument rental night!

Hello all beginning band students and parents,

This is Mr. Kruszka, the band director for the school district, and I just wanted to make you aware of an event we're hosting at Altoona Middle School Tuesday, May 3rd. We will have both Eckroth Music and Schmitt Music here for our Instrument Rental Night. Here are a few important details about the event.

-When? Tuesday, May 3rd 6-7:30pm

-Where? The MS commons, enter through the MS main entrance

-Our goal is to have as many students as possible prepared for band on day one of next year. This means that students that are renting an instrument will have it for the first day of class.

-PERCUSSION (drums/mallets): I ask that all students interested in percussion have either taken at least a year of piano lessons OR are taking private drum lessons. Please contact me if your child(ren) is/are interested in playing percussion next year.

-Both music stores will be on campus to help get rental plans set up for our students and families. I will send out some price lists for families to look at before this event. We have both stores here to hopefully prevent you from waiting in line for too long.

-We are not asking you to actually receive your instrument at this event. Instead, we are making arrangements to ensure the students get their instruments at the start of next school year. If you would like your student to get an instrument early for any reason, you may work that out with the store but the expectation is that the students will receive these instruments at the beginning of next school year.

-Students were able to try out some instruments before spring break. If a student was unable to try an instrument due to absence, please contact me and I will send some resources to help them make a decision.

-I will also be present at this event if you do have any instrument-related questions or questions about band in general.

If you do have any questions, please reach out to me via email at mkruszka@altoona.k12.wi.us. That is the best way to reach me and I will get back to you as soon as possible.

Thank you for supporting your child exploring this fascinating and fun pathway in music!

Mr. Kruszka

Hey Parents of 4th graders (that will be going into 5th grade next school year),

I know it's hard to think about school supply shopping, especially right now. However, I want to announce that we are excited to start a new partnership with 1st Day School Supplies!

1st Day School Supplies is going to help parents and teachers get the exact supplies needed for next school year. They have guaranteed competitive prices on the highest quality brands. So, with all the uncertainty this summer will bring, why not check school supply shopping off your list. You can make your purchase right now, get started by clicking the link below:

Altoona Intermediate link

is: <http://1stdayschoolsupplies.com/kits.php?sid=114246>



Pre-Order School Supplies NOW!

DEADLINE July 1st

1st Day School Supplies

BACK TO SCHOOL RISK FREE SHOPPING

Click Here To Order

www.1stDaySchoolSupplies.com

The advertisement features a woman in a blue top standing in a kitchen, holding a green mug. In front of her is a large box of school supplies, including notebooks, pencils, and markers. The background shows wooden cabinets and a microwave. The text is overlaid on the image in various colors and fonts, including a red banner for the deadline and a white seal for 'Risk Free Shopping'.

What are 4th Graders Studying?

Multiplication

By: Damon Graser

In math we are learning how to solve 2 digit multiplication by 2 digit multiplication. We have many strategies to solve them. Like the box method and the break apart strategy. Also, for 10 minute math, we've been estimating to figure out the 2 digit by 2 digit multiplication. To show how we estimated it right, we rounded to the nearest 10s and multiplied them, if it's on the paper, it's the correct answer. This unit is very fun to learn about.

The Box Method

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| | 40 | 8 | |
| 20 | $20 \times 40 = 800$ | $20 \times 8 = 160$ | 800 240 |
| 6 | $6 \times 40 = 240$ | $6 \times 8 = 48$ | 160 +48 |
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$48 \times 26 = 1,248$

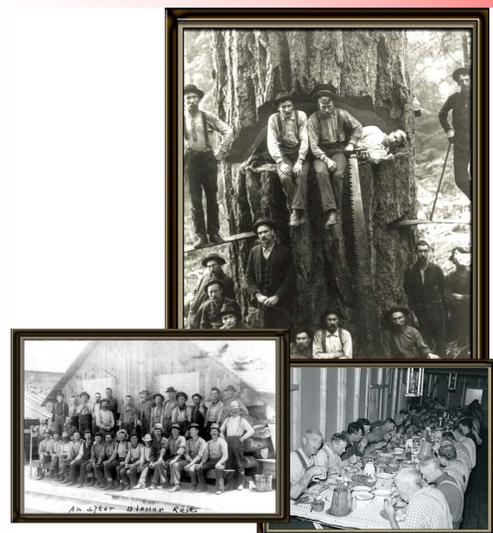
Early Wisconsin Jobs

By: Lydia Pals

Have you ever heard of ELA or maybe a language workshop? ELA is a subject where you might study one topic and write about it. I believe that ELA is a good subject in school to have.

A fascinating topic in this unit that we have specifically been focusing on is The Early Wisconsin Jobs. First we have been taking our time on getting research done about logging and other jobs. Next, we are going to learn about different jobs so we can choose one to do a project on. Lastly, we want to get prepared to make a 5 paragraph essay about Early Wisconsin Jobs of our choice. All in all I think that the Early Jobs of Wisconsin are pretty interesting topics to research.

I strongly believe that ELA is a very important subject in school. ELA can play a big role in school by teaching kids about different topics. ELA can make kids want to learn more about topics.



What have 5th Graders been up to?

5TH GRADERS RECENTLY COMPETED IN A BATTLE OF THE BOOKS COMPETITION. THEY WERE CHALLENGED AS A GROUP TO READ 14 DIFFERENT BOOKS FROM MULTIPLE GENRES.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE GRADE-LEVEL WINNERS!!

1ST PLACE: VINCE, HARRISON, PEARL, ELLSEE AND AUBREY

2ND PLACE: JULIA, TRIA, PAXTON, AND BRIELLE

3RD PLACE: BRANDT, JACK, BRAYDEN, AND SIMON





A Kid's Life!

AIS's performance of *A Kid's Life!* was a great hit! A massive electromagnetic attack from outer space has jammed all technical systems, and there is no electricity, no cell phones, no laptops...**NO FUN!!** The kids are in a panic and don't know what to do, until Grandpa and Grandma arrive on the scene and introduce them to a day filled with daring adventure, music and imagination. All without fancy gadgets like iPods, MP3s, Wii, Nintendo, cell phones, and laptops!!

