

Vestaburg Elementary

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COMING EVENTS

December

- 5 P.T.O. Mtg. In the Media Center at 6:30 p.m.
- 6 & 7 Holiday Store
- 8 Visit with Santa at the Richland Twp. Library, 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.
- Sports Boosters Chili Dinner, 6-8 p.m. in the H.S. Cafeteria following the JV and Varsity girls' basketball game vs. Chippewa Hills. Cost: donation
- 10 School Board Mtg., 7 p.m., in the H.S. Media Center
- 11 - 19 Scholastic Book Fair in the Media Center
- 19 3rd - 5th grade Holiday Musical, 7 p.m., in the H.S. Gym. Please join us for the "Best of the Season"
- 21 Christmas Break begins at the end of the day.



First Grade + Title I = Success!



Our 2007-08 school year has brought many changes to our elementary. One such change is the "look" of first grade. There are only two sections of first grade, but three rooms devoted to first graders. The third room is the room where students receive intensive, focused instruction in their math and reading. At the present time, 14 students receive the intensive services which means that each student receives individual and small group help by four adults and two student mentors – that's almost one support person per two students. This type of support builds student success, trust and positive interactions. Our children are ALL meeting their goals and finding tremendous success in our programs. Mrs. Waldron and Mrs. Peglow, Ms. Miller, Camden Foster Shayla Guinnup, and Mrs. G. are all working with our students to help fos-

ter this success. We also have two volunteers who are helping get everything put together for the lessons that we do – Mrs. Morey and Mrs. Brauher. Our students are extremely fortunate to have such wonderful support. Mr. Mike and Mrs. Baxter are helping us with our small muscles. We work with beanbag activities that build brain connections, strengthen large muscles and refine our small muscles. There is never a dull moment!



1st Grade Reading Superstars:

Another part of our program is the enrichment for first grade learners. We are providing 30 minutes of library per week for small groups. This puts children from each of the first grades together, so that they can share the same positive experiences. There are also six students who are working on Accelerated Reader (AR) testing. Two of the students have

already received their first prize for reading and testing in AR!

Our two programs, the enrichment and the support programs, are helping our first grade students achieve at a higher rate, with more success, than ever before. We feel good about all of our positive changes. However, we would be remiss if we forgot the best part about first grade... the favored portion of our day, and our most positive experience, is our time together after lunch. It's the "Junie B." portion of our day. We get to read Barbara Park's exciting Junie B. Jones books as an entire first grade every single day! Junie B. is an awful lot like our first graders! Mrs. Alexander also joins us periodically for this part of our day as she works to help us have a "BULLY FREE ZONE" in our first grade classrooms and our elementary school.



The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to Vestaburg
December 11 through 19.

The Fair will be open every

school day from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Media Center. It will also be open on the 19th, the day of the elementary holiday musical, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Books make great gifts! We hope to see you here.



Giving from the heart during the holidays -

We're collecting paper and hygiene products for local families in need this holiday

season, along with gift and gas cards and monetary donations. Please use this important opportunity to teach your children about the affects of caring and generosity. Each of us has it within us to increase the world's happiness.

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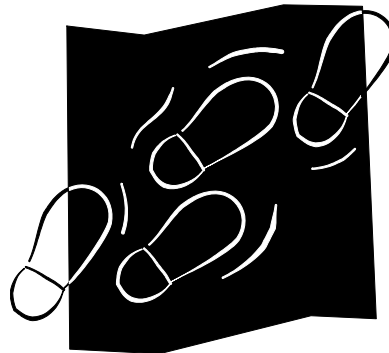
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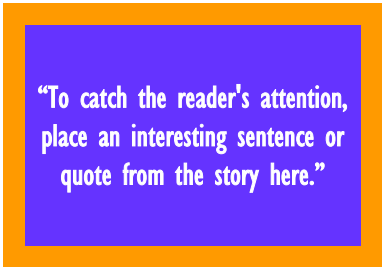
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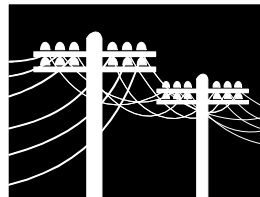
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Organization

Primary Business Address
Your Address Line 2
Your Address Line 3
Your Address Line 4

Phone: 555-555-5555
Fax: 555-555-5555
Email: xyz@microsoft.com

**VESTABURG
ELEMENTARY**

Your business tag line here.

We're on the Web!
example.microsoft.com

This would be a good place to insert a short paragraph about your organization. It might include the purpose of the organization, its mission, founding date, and a brief history. You could also include a brief list of the types of products, services, or programs your organization offers, the geographic area covered (for example, western U.S. or European markets), and a profile of the types of customers or members served.

It would also be useful to include a contact name for readers who want more information about the organization.

Back Page Story Headline

This story can fit 175-225 words.

If your newsletter is folded and mailed, this story will appear on the back. So, it's a good idea to make it easy to read at a glance.

A question and answer session is a good way to quickly capture the attention of readers. You can either compile questions that you've received since the last edition or you can summarize some generic questions that are frequently asked about your organization.

A listing of names and titles of managers in your organization is a good way to give your newsletter a personal touch. If your organization is small, you may want to list the names of all employees.

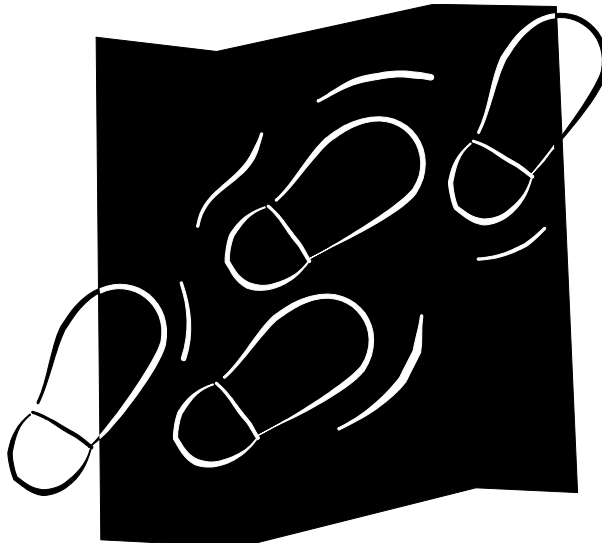
If you have any prices of standard products or services, you can include a listing of those here. You may want to refer your readers to any other forms of communication that you've created for your organization.

You can also use this space to remind readers to mark their calendars for a

regular event, such as a breakfast meeting for vendors every third Tuesday of the month, or a biannual charity auction.

If space is available, this is a good place to

insert a clip art image or some other graphic.



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