

May 10, 2014

Dear Parents,

What a wonderful first two weeks of May we've had here at Dwight! Our grounds look beautiful thanks to our PTA outdoor beautification team, and inside of our walls Dwight School is bustling with excitement.

We started the month with an incredible celebration of appreciation of our Dwight staff. Our PTA provided daily treats and surprises that delighted everyone. My personal favorite was dress up day. Our students came to school dressed up in wonderful outfits to honor their teachers. Staff also thoroughly enjoyed a hot Mexican lunch on Cinco de Mayo and ice cream later in the week!

This week, we had an amazing spring concert featuring the orchestra, band and chorus. The songs were thoughtfully chosen and performed beautifully. In addition, students in grade 2 presented their states project. What fun to hear them sing the Fifty Nifty States song and to see all of their research presented so creatively. We also honored our fifth graders at their DARE graduation. We are so proud of them for pledging to avoid underage drinking and drug use.

On Tuesday, May 13, Karen Carelli and I attended a School of Distinction Award Ceremony sponsored by the Connecticut Department of Education. Dwight received this award for overall high achievement. We have a framed certificate in the front office on display. It is a beautiful reminder of all of the hard work that has made Dwight such an effective and strong learning environment.

May will continue to be filled with wonderful events that you won't want to miss. Our spring book fair begins next week, along with our Fine Arts celebration on May 21 at 5:30 pm. Fit Kids Before the Bell and Playground Play dates will continue throughout this month. Come join in the fun.

Thank you for your continued support in our efforts to give your children an enriching educational experience.

Respectfully,

Mimi Maniscalco