# REECEVILLE REPORTER

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May

# **MAY/JUNE 2015**

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## SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR MAY/JUNE 2015

#### 4 to 11 **Art Goes to School** PTA Meeting (7:00 PM) 3 K-garden - Move up 1:30 PM 5 **Teacher Appreciation** 5 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Picnic 6 **Poetry Slam** 8 PTA (7:00 PM) 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion 10 **James & Giant Peach** 8 **Last Day of School** Movie Night (6:30 PM) 11 **Last Teacher Day** 12 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Field Trip to **Longwood Gardens** Spring Concert (7 PM) 14 18 **Chick-Fil-A Night** Race for Education 21 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL 22 to 25 The last day of school is Wednesday, No School 26 **Brave Little Tail Assembly** June 10th! This is a full day of school! 29 **Field Day**

The staff at Reeceville would like to wish everyone a Wonderful and Safe Summer!

See you on Monday, August 31st for the First Day of School!



It is Very Important to let us know you if you are moving, call Reeceville office as soon as possible to let us know if your child will be attending a different school in August or anytime during the school year. You will have to fill out change of address and provide proof of residency.

A Special Thank You to our students, parents, staff and PTA for all your hard work and assistance during the PSSA Testing!



## **Spring Pictures**

Please return the pictures if you are not purchasing any. If you are purchasing some or all of the pictures, please send the money in as soon as possible! Thank you!

#### PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

I can hardly believe it...we are quickly approaching the end of this school year! Doesn't it seem like we just had Back to School Night? I would like to thank you for your support and encouragement for your children during PSSA testing as well as throughout this entire school year!

Moving forward, with the warm weather finally here, we need your continued help and assistance in keeping our students focused on their school work as opposed to believing summer vacation has already begun. Here are some ideas to help your child:

• Review old homework papers, test, quizzes, etc.

- Use them to talk with your child about how much he/she has learned this year.
- Shape year-end learning around your child's interests.
  - o Sometimes framing discussions or concepts around student interest builds motivation. Also, end-of-year projects need a strong focus.
- Help your child manage his/her end-of-year projects with defined timelines and set working hours.
  - Long range or large assignments can overwhelm any child. Assist your child
    in breaking them down into smaller tasks. Set a goal to complete projects a
    little bit each day and plan on an earlier due date to avoid procrastination.
- Praise your child for staying focused, completing his/her work, and reinforce the importance of "staying in the game."
  - o This shows your child that you are interested in his/her progress and that you are an added support system in place.

Thank you for all that you do for your child!

Catherine Van Vooren, Principal

### KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

The **last days** for Kindergarten registration is <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>May 27<sup>th</sup></u>, <u>AM only and Thursday</u>, <u>May 28<sup>th</sup></u>! Any registrations after that date must call the Administrative Office at 3030 Zinn Road, Thorndale, PA, phone is 610-466-2400 for an appointment.

If you know of someone who has a child in the Reeceville attendance area, who will be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2015, please have them call our office at 610-383-3785 as soon as possible to make an appointment for May registration. Thank you!

# Congratulations to the following Students for Recognition in the month of May!

#### **Good Citizen Award:**

<u>Kindergarten:</u> Ben Washington, Hannah Hart, Aniya Thomas, Montrell Peterson, Finley Melvin, Jordan Coleman, Magaly Zaragoza, Selah Hales

<u>First Grade:</u> Edwin Jones, Quadir Johnson, Katonna McElyea, Xavier Taylor-Thompson, Jaylen Jackson, Madison Russell, Maddie Wilson, Zyonna Woodward, Christina Connor

<u>Second Grade:</u> Marquies Hunt, Damien Kurtz, Lauren Harris, Alexis Martinez, Brandon Bolanos, Daeveon Morton, Lyla Jason, Miranda Connor

<u>Third Grade:</u> Logan Munz, Damian Suarez-Ramos, Ryan Brasten, Jacquelin Franco-Rae, Daryn McComsey, Jeremiah Clifford, Jimmy Griffin, Barbara Thomas-Hoskins

<u>Fourth Grade:</u> Tatiana Galarez, Zahir Holt, Erin Whiteman, Yara Maaty, Mariah Colon, Glenda Pabon, Ryan Meeks, Ruth Galarza-Sanchez

<u>Fifth Grade:</u> Rodrigo Castaneda, Jennifer Pedroza, Michael McNally, Shyheim Campbell-Jones, Sean Brasten, Jack Johnston, Semajae Dennis, Michael David

#### **Kindergarten Good Worker Award**

Matthew Hammond, Allisson Guzman, Chase Hope, Jaden McBrearty

#### **First Grade Writing Award**

Hassan Spence-Davis, Brandon Bendowski, Kyleigh Valentine, Max Hiller

#### **Grades 2-5 Writing Award**

<u>Second Grade:</u> Chanel Hardy, Tyneef Thomas, Christopher Davalos, Shermonie Depte-Watson

<u>Third Grade:</u> Fancy Wah, Rebekah Borthwick, Connor Bagent, Kwame Brown

Fourth Grade: Jordan Jones, Makaylah Conover, Jada Martin, Perez Phillips

Fifth Grade: Jagueline Escobar-Hernandez, Muhammad Tahir, Tyler Bagent, Nevaeh Thompson

#### **Special Area Award: Physical Education**

Kindergarten: Hannah Hart, Hannah Montoro, Jessica Deutsch, Fanta Kallon

Frist Grade: Quadir Johnson, Marquinn Suber, Madeline Wilson, Morgan Hamilton

Second Grade: Dalton Griffin, Jazmin Codillo-Miranda, Tristan Bryant, Jeremiah Maldonado

Thrid Grade: Oscar Izquierdo, Ryanna Thompson, Lanai Walton, Charlene Pinchback

Fourth Grade: Zahir Holt, Robert Marcucci, Shawn Shawell, Kimberly Hernandez

Fifth Grade: Corey Lindenbaum, Jan Loaeza, Sophia Given, Semajae Dennis

# APPROPRIATE DRESS FOR WARM WEATHER



School attire should be comfortable and should not interfere with the student's learning process. The following attire is inappropriate while at school:

Short-Shorts

Spandex pants/shorts

String tie tops

Bare Midriffs

Flip Flops

Clogs without strap

The building administrator has the right to make the final decision regarding the appropriateness of the clothing for school.



Is your child missing an item of clothing such as a jacket, hat, or gloves? Please remind them to check the Lost and Found at the front hallway for their missing items. Unclaimed items will be donated to local clothing drives at the end of the school year.

## KINDERGARTEN NEWS

It's hard to believe that the school year is coming to an end! What a great time we have had in Kindergarten this year—our trip to Weaver's Orchard, our Thanksgiving Program, celebrating the 100th day of school, classroom parties, and our fantastic trip to Philadelphia Zoo...just to name a few! We also had a great time learning how to read and write. The children did a great job this year with Kid Writing. What great writers we now have in Kindergarten! Thank you to all our fantastic writing helper from hugs and parents! Thank you for the helping hands...we could not have done it without you! We are looking forward to addition and subtraction and we are very excited about our First Field Day!

We will have our Kindergarten Move Up Celebration on Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup>! I ook out First Grade — here we come and we are ready!



We say this every year...but it is hard to believe this year is coming to an end! Our First Graders have had a wonderful year and learned many new skills and developed into fabulous! Their "Second Grade Teachers" would like them to remember all they have learned so please do the following...

- Thoughts for the summer! Many children forget some of what they've learned or slip out of practice during the summer months. Try these strategies to help your reader improve his or her reading during the summer.
- Think six! Research shows that reading just six books during the summer may keep a reader from regressing. When choosing "the six", be sure that they are just right not too hard and not too easy. Take advantage of your local library. Libraries often run summer reading programs that motivate kids to read, so find out what's available in your area.
- Read something every day? Read morning, noon and night. Here are some suggested reading materials
  - Morning: The newspaper even if it is just comics or today's weather.
  - Noon: Schedules, TV guides, magazines, recipes, etc.
  - Evening: End the day by having your child read to you from the book he or she is currently reading. Have him or her rehearse a paragraph, page or chapter before reading to you. Rereading will help our child be more fluent — able to read an appropriate speed, correctly and with nice expression.

Reading aloud! Children of all ages benefit from adult reading aloud to them. One benefit is that you can read books your child can't, so he or she will build further listening and comprehension skills. Reading aloud to your child also increases background knowledge, opens topics for discussion, and demonstrates fluency and expression.

Math: Continue to practice counting money and addition and subtraction facts. Play some old fashion board games together (these teach many math and reading skills).

Thanks so much for sharing your children with us! We enjoyed teaching them and helping them become their best! Enjoy the beautiful summer weather and time off from school!

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade News

It's hard to believe we are coming to the end of 2<sup>nd</sup> grade! This year we have learned many new concepts and have really developed our reading and writing skills. In Language Arts, we have been discussing cause and effect and reading biographies. In Math, we are learning about shapes, solid figures, and fractions. In science, we learned about different ways that we can help care for our Earth and are looking forward to learning about rocks and minerals. We are also looking forward to our upcoming field trip to Longwood Gardens and Field Day! Second grade has been an exciting year and the second grade teachers would like to thank all of the parents who volunteered their time to help the teachers and students. With summer right around the corner, please continue to practice math facts, read good fit books and write at home. Have a wonderful summer!



Wow, it is hard to believe that the school year is over. Third grade worked so hard this year and finished up the year strong. With P.S.S.A testing over we returned to our regular language arts and math curriculums expanding on the skills and concepts that were covered throughout the year, as well as introducing new content as we prepared the students for fourth grade. Science and Social Studies found us studying the community of Coatesville and the Solar System. All students should be able to tell their families some interesting information about the history of Coatesville, as we spent part of April and May learning about the people and events that shaped our community. In Science, we finished out the year with a study of the solar System. We are especially pleased that the students were able to enjoy not just one assembly program but two assemblies presented to only our third grade students from the Franklin Institute's Traveling Science Shows. We ended our "Space Day" In-School Field Trip with Mr. Steiner setting off some small engine rockets and with the students tasting "astronaut" ice cream.

We watched several of our students present their poems in our annual Poetry Slam which was followed a few weeks later by a wonderful field day with great weather and terrific sportsmanship.

As summer approaches please encourage your student to complete the Summer Reading Log and bring it back in August to their new fourth grade teacher. Don't forget to practice those math skills using some of the fun math sites that we have explored in class this year. Have a wonderful summer.

# **FOURTH GRADE NEWS**

THE LONG AWAITED MONTH OF APRIL IS OVER AND PSSA TESTING IS BEHIND US. WE HAVE WORKED HARD AND *UNRAVELED* ALL QUESTIONS IN READING, MATH AND SCIENCE. WE FEL THAT WE DID OUR BEST!

IN READING, WE HAVE MOVED ON TO WORKING WITH GROUPS IN LITERATURE CIRCLES. WE ARE ALL ENJOYING TAKING THE TIME TO READ A GOOD BOOK AND DISCUSS IT WITH OTHERS. WE WILL BE CONTINUING THIS THROUGH THE END OF THE YEAR GIVING US ALL THE CHANCE TO READ SOME EXCELLENT GRADE LEVEL LITERATURE.

OUR MATH LESSONS HAVE PREPARED US TO DO DIVISION WITH AND WITHOUT REMAINDERS. WE HAVE ALSO WORKED WITH GEOMETRIC SHAPES, AND WE HAVE BEGUN TO WORK WITH FRACTIONS. AS ALWAYS, WE CONTINUE TO PERFECT OUR SKILLS WITH BASIC FACTS.

SOCIAL STUDIES IS SHOWING US THE MODERN EXPERIENCE IN OUR GREAT STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA. WE ALSO ARE LEARNING ABOUT OUR STATE GOVERNMENT AND HOW IT OPERATES. WE ARE LEARNING ABOUT THE KEY PART OF OUR STATE HAS PLAYED IN THE FORMATION OF OUR GREAT NATION; WE ARE PREPARING AND LOOKING FORWARD TO OUR TRIP TO PHILADELPHIA IN MAY. AS ALWAYS, EXCITING THINGS CONTINUE TO HAPPEN IN  $4^{\text{TH}}$  GRADE. IT A GREAT PLACE TO BE!



The final few weeks of school year are filled with activities for fifth grader.

Field day is Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup>! It will feature a variety of special gym activities. Finalists from each homeroom will participate in a jump rope contest, cup stacking race, and basketball shoot out as classmates cheer them on.

On Monday, June 8<sup>th,</sup> is our class picnic will be held at Layton Park. Students are looking forward to a full day of activities including volleyball, softball, soccer, games and face painting.

On, Wednesday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, the Reeceville Class of 2015 has its Promotion Program in the gym at 9:30 AM. Our graduates will receive their promotion certificates and various awards. Light refreshments will be served after the promotion program.

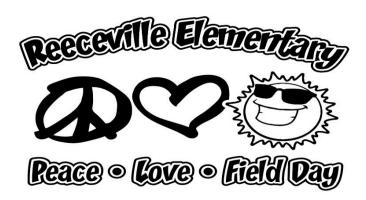
#### **Counselor's Corner**

With the end of the school year quickly approaching, it is time to start thinking about summer vacations and activities! Although summer is a great time for relaxation, it is also important to keep our students' minds active during the summer months. Here are a few ideas that are fun and educational!

- Set aside time to read every day. Whether your kids are reading to you or you are reading to your family, it is important to keep reading throughout the summer. It will help them remember what they learned over the past year and it is a fun to spend time as a family!
- Visit museums or zoos with your children. Spend more time at their favorite exhibit or near their favorite animal and really learn some facts about it.
- Play games that require children to count. Board games, counting lighting bugs, wiffleball on
  the beach, or grouping different kinds of seashells whatever it is, they'll be using their math
  skills! Limit screen time. Many kids can spend hours watching T.V. or playing on the computer.
  Encourage your kids to enjoy the warm weather or have them do fun craft projects inside!
- Cook as a family. They will be able to practice their measurements and they can have a tasty reward!
- Take a camping trip or go on a nature walk. There is so much to learn from nature!

It has been a pleasure working with your children this year. I hope that you all have a fun and safe summer! I am looking forward to seeing everyone again in the fall!

Kathy Doherty School Counselor



Reeceville's Field Day is quickly approaching. The big day is **Friday**, **May 29**<sup>th</sup> with a rain date of Monday, June 1st. **We welcome any parent volunteers to help <u>set up in the early AM</u>, <u>assist with running stations</u>, and/or <u>collect equipment</u> at the end of the day. The more the merrier!! The day is going to be a blast, so let's hope for beautiful warm weather and an all out amazing time!** 

Please fill out and return this form if you would like to volunteer during field day:

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# **Field Day Volunteers**

# Friday, May 29, 2015

If you are interested in helping with Field Day at Reeceville, please add your name and number at the times you are able to help. Return this signed form to your child's homeroom teacher.

Early Morning Set Up – 6-7 AM
Before School Set Up – 7-9 AM
Mid-Morning Station Relief – 9-11 AM
Afternoon Station Relief – 11-1PM
Late Afternoon Station Relief/Clean Up – 1-3pm

We would be happy to have you assist with our Field Day for whatever time you have available. If you have more than 2 hours, sign up for more. If you have less than 2 hours write your time in. Thank you! Please contact me with any information or questions: A. Healy – Physical Education Teacher 610-383-3785 ext. 27900, Email: healya@coatesville.k12.pa.us

## FROM THE LIBRARY SHELVES - MRS. HELLER



Our Spring Scholastic Book Fair was a success! The profits from the Book Fair help teachers fill their classroom libraries. New books are purchased for our school library also. The students enjoy visiting the Book Fair. A Big Thank You to Mrs. Cavuto!

Remember to drop off your used ink jet cartridges at the Library. We have used the money from this recycling effort to buy new books.

As the year comes to a close and many begin Spring Cleaning at home, keep an eye out for Reeceville Elementary library books. It is important that the students show responsibility and return their books to the library.

Read with your child and talk about the stories. During the summer months make a plan to visit the public library and participate in their summer reading program.

Encourage your child to read!

## **NEWS FROM THE READING DEPARTMENT**

May will be a busy month for our Reeceville students. We had our <u>Seventh Annual Poetry Slam</u> on Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup>. Approximately 60 students participated this year, reciting poems either individually or in a small group. The students did a fabulous job memorizing their poems. We are so proud of them.

We also had a Movie Night this month! During the month of April, all of our teachers read <u>James and the Giant Peach</u> to their classes and on Friday, May 8th, our Reeceville families joined us at school to watch the film version of that book. Parents and children relaxed on lawn chairs and blankets and munched on snacks while enjoying the movie. Families were encouraged to compare the book to the movie by completing short activity at home. We had quite a crowd at Reeceville that evening and it was a great event.

At the end of the month, we will be having our final Reading Department event. On Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, performers from the Enchanted Theater Company of Philadelphia will be coming to Reeceville to perform the play <u>The Brave Little Tailor</u>. This promises to be a real treat as the company comes complete with props and costumes! What a wonderful way to bring literature to life for our children!



# IMPORTANT NEWS FROM THE CAFETERIA

PARENTS, PLEASE REMIND YOUR CHILD TO BRING THEIR LUNCH/SNACK

MONEY TO THE CAFETERIA IN THE MORNING

NO MONEY WILL BE COLLECTED DURING LUNCH PERIODS!

TIME TO PAY OFF ALL BALANCES...

PLEASE BE SURE TO HAVE MONEY IN YOUR ACCOUNTS

OR BRING YOUR MONEY TO BUY LUNCHES!

EFFECTIVE FRIDAY, MAY 15TH

THERE WILL BE NO MORE DEBITING!

PLEASE ALLOW ENOUGH MONEY IN THEIR ACCOUNT

TO COVER THROUGH WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10<sup>TH</sup>!

HAVE AN ENJOYABLE SUMMER. SEE YOU ON AUGUST 31st!

# **LUNCH MENUS**

Friday, May 1

#### **Breakfast**

Mini Bagels w/Cream Cheese Fresh Banana 100% Apple Juice Milk Variety

Lunch

Personal Pizza
Salad w/Turkey & Cheese w/WG Dinner Roll & Crackers
Green Beans

#### Tuesday, May 5

#### **Breakfast**

Frudel Selection Fresh Grapes 100% Orange Juice Milk Variety

#### Lunch

Chicken Patty Sandwich or Ham & Cheese Wrap **Sweet Potato Puffs** Celery Sticks w/Ranch

#### Wednesday, May 6

#### **Breakfast**

Pop-Tart Assortment Mandarin Orange Cup 100% Fruit Punch Milk Variety

#### Lunch

Meatball Sandwich or Bologna & Cheese on WG Roll **Spiral French Fries** Sliced Cucumber w/ Ranch Dressing

#### Monday, May 4

#### **Breakfast**

Muffin Assortment Pear Cup 100% Grape Juice Milk Variety

#### Lunch

**Toasted Cheese Sandwich** or Tuna Salad on WG Roll Baby Carrots w/Dip Caesar Salad

#### Thursday, May 7

#### **Breakfast**

Mini Pancakes Peach Cup

100% Apple Juice Milk Variety

#### Lunch

Ham & Cheese Hoagie or Turkey & Cheese Hoagie or Salad w/Ham & Cheese w/WG Dinner Roll &

#### Friday, May 8

#### **Breakfast**

Mini Bagels w/Cream Cheese Fresh Apple Slices 100% Grape Juice Milk Variety

#### Lunch

Pepperoni Pizza Wedge or Chef Salad w/WG Dinner Roll & Crackers

#### Monday, May 11

#### **Breakfast**

Muffin Assortment Peach Cup 100% Apple Juice Milk Variety

#### Lunch

Lasagna Rollups w/ Tomato Sauce & Breadstick or Fruit & Cheese & Crackers Baby Carrots w/Dip

#### Tuesday, May 12

#### **Breakfast**

Mini Cinnis Fresh Apple Slices 100% Orange Juice Milk Variety

#### Lunch

Chicken Tenders w/ WG Dinner Roll or Bologna & Cheese on WG Roll Steamed Broccoli Celery Sticks w/Dip

#### Wednesday, May 13

#### **Breakfast**

Breakfast Wrap Pear Cup 100% Fruit Punch Milk Variety

#### Lunch

Cheeseburger or Turkey & Cheese Wrap Oven Baked Fries Sliced Cucumbers w/ Dip

#### Thursday, May 14

#### **Breakfast**

Mini Waffles
Raisins
100% Grape Juice
Milk Variety
Lunch

NACHOS or Chicken Caesar Salad w/WG Roll Refried Beans Baby Carrots w/Dip Fresh Apple Slices

#### Friday, May 15

#### **Breakfast**

Mini Bagels w/Cream Cheese Fresh Banana 100% Apple Juice Milk Variety

#### Lunch

Personal Pizza or Salad w/Turkey & Cheese w/WG Dinner Roll & Crackers

#### Tuesday, May 19

#### **Breakfast**

Frudel Selection Fresh Grapes 100% Orange Juice

#### Milk Variety Lunch

Chicken Nuggets w/ WG Dinner Roll Ham & Cheese Wrap **Sweet Potato Fries** Celery Sticks w/Dip Fresh Apple Slices

#### Monday, May 18

#### **Breakfast**

Muffin Assortment Pear Cup 100% Grape Juice Milk Variety Lunch

Cheese Quesadilla or Tuna Salad on WG Roll Seasoned Corn Baby Carrots w/Dip Fresh Grapes

### Wednesday, May 20

#### **Breakfast**

Pop-Tart Assortment Mandarin Orange Cup 100% Fruit Punch Milk Variety

#### Lunch

Hot Dog in Bun on Bologna & Cheese on WG Roll Baked Beans Sliced Cucumbers w/ Dip

#### Thursday, May 21

#### **Breakfast**

Mini Pancakes Peach Cup 100% Apple Juice Milk Variety Lunch

Baked Ziti or Salad w/Tuna Salad & WG Dinner Roll & Crackers Baby Carrots w/Dip Caesar Salad Fresh Apple Slices

#### Monday, May 25

#### **Breakfast**

Type your breakfast choices here, or delete this section

#### Lunch

Entree One or Entree Two Sides and Extras

#### Tuesday, May 26

#### **Breakfast**

Mini Cinnis Fresh Apple Slices 100% Orange Juice Milk Variety **Lunch** 

Popcorn Chicken w/WG Dinner Roll or Bologna & Cheese on WG Roll Glazed Carrots Celery Sticks w/Dip Pear Cup

#### Wednesday, May 27

#### **Breakfast**

Breakfast Wrap Pear Cup 100% Fruit Punch Milk Variety **Lunch** 

French Toast Sticks w/ Sausage & Syrup Cup or Turkey & Cheese Wrap Hash Brown Potatoes Sliced Cucumbers w/ Dip

#### Thursday, May 28

#### **Breakfast**

Mini Waffles Raisins 100% Grape Juice Milk Variety **Lunch** TACO

or Chef Salad w/WG Dinner Roll & Crackers
Refried Beans
Baby Carrots w/Dip
Fresh Apple Slices
Peach Cup

#### Friday, May 29

#### **Breakfast**

Mini Bagels w/Cream Cheese Fresh Banana 100% Apple Juice Milk Variety

#### Lunch

Personal Pizza
Salad w/Turkey & Cheese
& WG Dinner Roll & Crackers
Green Beans

#### **BREAKFAST ALTERNATIVES**

Cereal Bar or Cereal Assortment w/String Cheese or Yogurt (Select One)

Served with Fruit Juice & Milk Variety

LUNCH ALTERNATIVES

Monday, Wednesday & Friday-PBJ w/ Cheese Stick Tuesday & Thursday-Yogurt Delight (Yogurt, Cheese Stick, Graham Crackers) All Of The Above w/Fruit, Veggie & Milk

# Available Daily!

Monday, June 1st

**Baked Ziti, Bread Stick, PBJ** 

**Max Cheese Sticks** 

Garden Salad, Fruit, Peaches, Milk

Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Chicken Patty, Yogurt Delights** 

## Fries, Fruit, Peaches, Milk

Wednesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>

Cheesesteak, PBJ

**Sweet Potato Fries, Fruit, Pears, Milk** 

Thursday, June 4th

Meatball Sandwich, Yogurt Delight Baked Beans, Oranges, Pears, Milk

Friday, June 5th

Pepperoni Round Pizza, PBJ

Caesar Salad, Fruit, Peaches, Milk