

Dear Parents:

What a month!! February really made up for fewer days by packing a lot of excitement into a shorter amount of time. The snow days and cancellations were quite a change from our normal winter weather, so I hope you enjoyed this once in a lifetime occurrence! Hopefully March will go a little closer to plan.

March will be a very busy month at Engle. Due to the snow and the rescheduling of the basketball fundraiser from February 25<sup>th</sup>, we will begin the month with our biggest fundraiser of the year. I hope to see you there as the faculty takes on the students in an event where everyone wins in the end. For information about this event or other ways that the PTO helps Engle Middle School, please visit the PTO section of our website.

We will also have the opportunity to watch our talented students in two different productions. Our Shakespeare performers will debut their rendition of MacBeth, while our drama team will perform Beauty and the Beast Jr. These two productions show the variety of talents of our students and speak to the different opportunities available for all students at Engle.

Please save the date and plan to attend Avon Grove School District's annual Technology Fair & Science Exhibition, scheduled from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 18, 2010, at Avon Grove High School. Avon Grove students, parents, and community members are invited to explore instructional technology demos, interactive exhibits, and how-to technology sessions for parents. More than 40 instructional technology exhibits will be featured. Student science fair projects will also be on display. More information will be posted on the District's online Newsroom at [www.avongrove.org](http://www.avongrove.org) as the event date approaches.

The month of March is also when we continue our PSSA preparations in all of our classrooms. The performance of Engle Middle School students on previous exams has demonstrated the excellence in teaching and learning that occurs here every day. To help students continue to achieve and demonstrate their best, teachers will assist students in not only mastering the content in their classrooms, but applying it in a variety of situations. Doing this every day is preparing our students for success, not just here at Engle, but in their futures, no matter what the endeavor.

Finally, at the end of the month, PTO will be hosting the semi-annual scholastic book sale during our spring conferences. There are hundreds of titles available for purchase and a percentage of the proceeds will go the Engle to purchase additional titles and resources for our library. For more information, please visit the PTO section of our website.

As always, if you have any questions or needs, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Regards,

Michael Snopkowski