

Eden Parents and Families,

A few quick things.....

1. If your family has an iPhone, iPod Touch, or iPad, Everyday Math is offering 5 of its apps for free right now. See the attached flyer.
2. We still need to sell some yearbooks. We have extended the deadline to the end of February. The yearbooks are \$17 each. Call the office at 317-326-3117 if you need an order form or you can use the one we sent home earlier.
3. Please see the attached document about a program called Strengthening Families. This is a free program for parents interested in improving their parenting.
4. **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!** – February 21 we will have our PTO meeting at 6:00 PM (time changed from 6:30 PM) and after the meeting we will have an ISTEP/IREAD family night. Please see the attached flyer. Although the meeting will be discussing third grade assessments, kindergarten through second grade parents will receive information about IREAD for K-2 grades. K-2 parents will learn valuable information about the third grade assessments your child will eventually take. Again, check out the flyer for more information.

Thanks for all you do!

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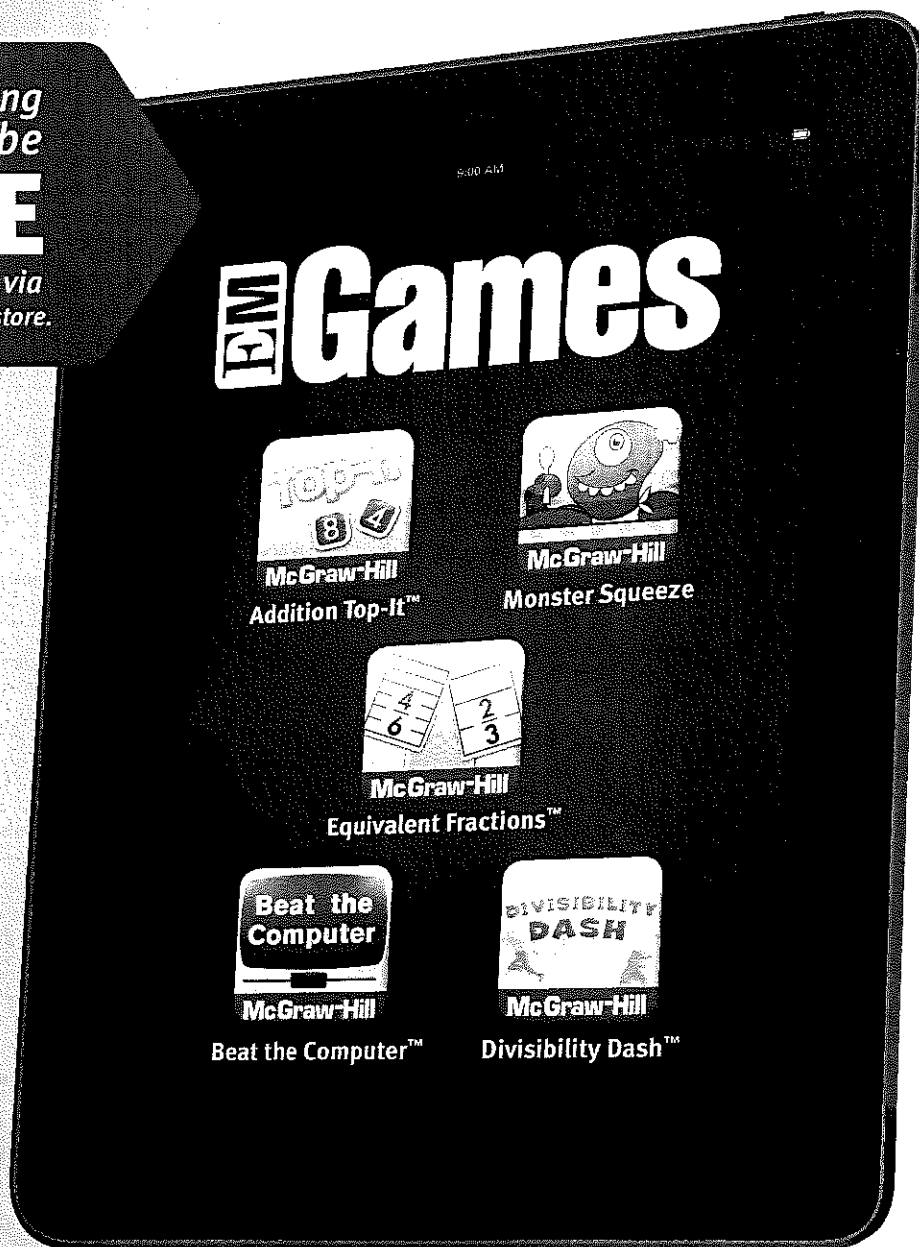
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Strengthening Families Program 2012

On Monday, February 27, 2012 Christy Harpold, School Social Worker at J.B. Stephens Elementary and Scott Stroud, School Social Worker at Maxwell Intermediate School will be offering the Strengthening Families Program. This course is a parent/family based program that promotes parenting skills, children's life skills and family skills. The goal of this course is to strengthen the family bond and build upon the strengths that each parent and child already possess. Christy and Scott received training and a grant from Neighborhoods Against Substance Abuse (NASA) to run this researched based program.

This **free program** is for families with children between the ages of 6-11. Families will meet every Monday night from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. The location is to be announced. Classes will begin on February 27th and continue until May 28th. Each session includes a **free dinner and child care** for children less than 6 years of age.

For more information and/or to RSVP please contact Christy Harpold at 462-4491 ext. 206 or Scott Stroud at 326-3121. Space is limited so please call as soon as possible.

What Indiana academic assessments will my child take?



What kinds of questions are asked?

How is my child being prepared?

How long do these tests take?

When will I receive the results?

How are the results used?

What is the significance of the new IREAD-3 assessment?

Come to our information session to get the answers to these and other questions

When: Tuesday, February 21, 2012

Time: 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. PTO Meeting

7:00 - 8:00 p.m. IN Assessments Info Meeting

Where: Eden Elementary

Who: ALL 3rd grade parents should attend (your children will take **ISTEP+** and **IREAD-3** this spring)

K-2nd grade parents (your children might take **IREAD** this spring and will take **IREAD-3** and **ISTEP+** in the future)