

PARENT'S CORNER

WHAT IS GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP?

Good sportsmanship is when teammates, opponents, coaches, and officials treat each other with respect. Kids learn the basics of sportsmanship from the adults in their lives, especially their parents and their coaches. Kids who see adults behaving in a sportsmanlike way gradually come to understand that the real winners in sports are those who know how to persevere and to behave with dignity — whether they win or lose a game.

Remember the saying "Actions speak louder than words"? That's especially true when it comes to teaching your kids the basics of good sportsmanship. Here are some suggestions on how to build sportsmanship in your kids:

- Shout words of encouragement, not directions, from the sidelines (there is a difference!).
- Keep your comments positive. Don't bad-mouth coaches, players, or game officials.
- After a competition, it's important not to dwell on who won or lost.
- Applaud good plays no matter who makes them.
- Set a good example with your courteous behavior toward the parents of kids on the other team. Congratulate them when their kids win.
- Remember that it's your kids, not you, who are playing. Don't push them into a sport because it's what you enjoyed.
- Finally, don't forget to have fun. Even if your child isn't the star, enjoy the game while you're thinking of all the benefits your child is gaining — new skills, new friends, and attitudes that can help all through life!!!



*MY GRAMPA SAYS IF YOU DO YOUR BEST, JOEY, NO MATTER WHAT THE SCORE...**YOU WIN!***

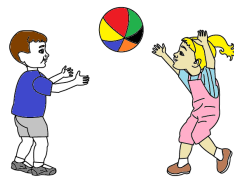
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PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASS

To start off 2012, students are learning , enjoying and having fun in the PE Class. What are they doing?

PPK students has been exploring and discovering new ways to move in the music and movement class. They are also working with basic locomotor skills.

Students from **PK-1st** grade are developing and practicing manipulative skills like throwing, catching and kicking. They are also



participating in fun activities that promote physical fitness.

Students from 2nd-6th grade began their unit on basketball skills. **2nd and 3rd** graders are working on passing and dribbling drills, while **4th, 5th and 6th** graders review the basic skills. They are also learning about game type situations.



HIGHLIGHTS

- **SAVE THE DATE!!!**
We're having our **2012 FIELD DAY!!!**

⇒ **April 3** = PPK-2nd
⇒ **April 4** = 3rd-6th

- **Basketball and Track & Field Seasons** will begin in March. We will keep you posted!

- **CPS Mini Basketball Tournament** will be held at Parkville Campus on March 9-10, 2012.

- We will have a **Basketball Intramural Tournament** this semester for 5th & 6th graders at lunch time.

- **Sports Clinics at Parkville**

Sign up for sports clinics:

- ⇒ **Basketball**
- ⇒ **Volleyball**
- ⇒ **Soccer**

GO COMETS!

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TURKEY RACE!

With the slogan "Move your feet before you eat", on November 18, 2011 we celebrated the 2011 Turkey Race at Parkville Campus. Students, faculty and parents had a wonderful time competing to win a turkey. Due to weather, students from 2nd grade through 6th grade enjoyed the Turkey Race with a little twist; a potato sack relay left everyone laughing and enjoying the day. Thanks to everyone our 2011 Turkey Race was a successful event!



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE GIRLS SOCCER TEAM: SUBCHAMPIONS!

