Neilson Grove News



Message From the Principal

It's hard to believe that it's November and that I'm writing about Holiday Concerts and Breakfast with Santa! I want to thank all of you for helping our school run so smoothly. Re-establishing the system of having students check in at the office when they're late, having you call and leave messages when your child will be away, and having you keep your child home when they're unwell, has been much appreciated.

Now that the weather has turned, it's really important that your children come **dressed for the weather**. Learning is hard, and being insidenot getting fresh air and a chance to move their bodies makes it hard for kids to concentrate and have the energy to do the hard learning we ask of them. We want children to go outside at recess and lunch. When you know it's going to be rainy, please send them to school in clothes that will allow us to do that. For younger children, it would be great if they have a change of clothes as school, as well.

Important Dates

Nov. 9- Snack Day

Nov. 10-

Remembrance Day Assembly 10:45

Nov. 11-

Remembrance Day

Nov. 15- PAC Meeting at 7:00

Nov. 17- Grade 7 Volleyball Tourney at DSS

Nov. 18- Hot Lunch

Nov. 22 -Grade 6 Immunizations

Nov. 28-

Professional Learning Day- No school

Dec 2– Tentative Breakfast with Santa & Hot lunch

Dec. 7- 1:00 PM Holiday Concert

Dec. 8- 6:30 PM Holiday Concert

Dec 13- Report Cards

Dec 16- Hot Lunch & Last Day

"As Griffins, We SOAR!"



We continue to use our SOAR agreements to guide conversations with our students when mistakes have been made.

It has been a great way to help students own their mistakes, take ownership of their

part in a conflict, and make a plan for how they can do things differently next time.

Whenever I'm talking with a student who has made a mistake while outside, one of the things I always remind them of is that there are adults outside to help. At recess there are typically four adults outside and at lunch there are typically five adults. All of the adults wear a high visibility vest so they are easy to find.

Purdy's Fundraiser

We are doing a Purdy's fundraiser and hope you can help support our school. The ordering deadline is Nov. 23 and pick-up is Dec. 8. Please follow this link to the fundraiser. (If you have never ordered, you'll need to register then the link will take you directly to the school's campaign.)



PAC MEETING

Our next PAC meeting will be Tuesday, November 15. We will continue to offer in-person and virtual meetings. Our apologies about the technical issues we had at our last meeting. We've got things organized so there shouldn't be any glitches. We hope to see you there next week!

School Playground

Starting this week, we will be trying a new system for our school playground structures. We will open up the bigger structure and swings so that all students in grade 1-7 will be allowed to play on this structure and to use the swings.

The smaller structure will continue to be for our K - Grade 2 students only. We are looking into having the platforms on this structure rebuilt and hope to have information very soon.

WINTER WEATHER PROCEDURES

The temperature is dropping and there are threats of snow at some of the higher elevations. This is a good time to remind you of what the District's procedures are, should there be snow or other winter weather.

It is extremely unlikely that schools would be closed in the event of snow, but information can be found <u>here</u> regarding possible closures on the District's website. It would also be



announced on the radio, and I would send out an email to families advising you all, as soon as a decision has been made. More details can be found <u>here</u>.