SEVASTOPOL ELEMENTARY - "Pioneering the Next Generation"

4K-5 Newsletter



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The school year is off to a quick start. Thank you to all the parents that were able to come in and meet with teachers for conferences. The end of the first quarter (Nov 1) is just a few weeks away. Hopefully we'll get less rain in the next month and the temperatures will remain steady so that we can appreciate and enjoy the fall change in colors.

Upcoming Events / Dates to Remember:

Friday, October 11 - No School Friday, October 18 - Homecoming Wednesday, October 23 – Child Find Day Thursday, October 31 – Halloween

Other Notes

Homecoming: With next week being Homecoming we have already planned a 5th grade vs. staff football game on Friday and that day we are encouraging students to wear their new PTO Sponsored shirts, Sevastopol apparel or school colors. We are also going to expand our participation with the rest of the district by incorporating dress up days. The list of days is as follows:

Monday - Packers Day / Green and Gold

Tuesday – dress like a book character day

Wednesday – mismatch/mix up day

Thursday - Crazy hair day

Friday – School Colors Day

Attendance: A reminder that you can use PowerSchool to review your child's attendance. Remember that a child can be excused by a parent no more than 10 days per school year as per Board Policy outlined in the student handbook.



Temperature: As much as possible we want to get students outside to "burn off steam". With it being fall some days start out cold and warm up as they progress. **Please consider having your child(ren) wear layers** that can accommodate these changes. We know there will be days the weather will not allow us to do so but we will make every attempt possible to have our students go outside.

Bus Change Requests – If you plan to make a request to change the bus plan on a given day <u>please do so</u> <u>before 12:00.</u> There are a number of people that need to be notified – office, bus, classroom teacher – and if we get the message prior to 12:00 we can make sure these people all receive notification. When



it happens after that time, it becomes more difficult to ensure that this happens and for this reason we ask that, you make those requests prior to 12:00. Please call the office.

Spirit Wear T-Shirts: As you know, The PTO has again graciously agreed to sponsor a Spirit Wear T-Shirt for each elementary student in our school. Those shirts were given to the students last week. Please talk to your child(ren) about getting his/her shirt. Once again, a special thank you to the PTO for helping with this.



Turkey Trot – Another reminder that this annual event sponsored by our PTO is quickly approaching. <u>This year's event is on November 2</u>. Please mark your calendars and watch for additional information. Sign up forms are available in the elementary office.



Halloween: Your child's teacher(s) will send home more information as it relates to any activities in his/her classroom. A reminder to all students though, costumes need to be school appropriate – no gore, no blood, no weapons for example. Thank you in advance for your help adhering to this.

Box Tops for Education:



You are never too old to Box Top. Any money earned from Box Tops helps the school to provide education, safety and fun to every Pioneer. There are a few changes this year to box tops. #1 A new box top coordinator. #2 a new box top system beginning #3 a new kind of contest. The contest is school wide 4k-12th grade. Our school year goal is \$1000.00. If the goal is met everyone gets to celebrate. How do you help? Download the Box tops App on your phone or your parents' phone and scan your receipts using these devices or after shopping send that receipt to the school within 1 week of purchase. You can also send in the old box top clippings as well. We are still taking those until they all expire. Remember the systems requires the receipts to be scanned within 14 days of purchase. Collection boxes are in the school office. The school goal is \$1000.00 for the school Year, but as Pioneers We can do better than that. From the app collection to date we are \$34.50 into our Goal. If anyone would like help setting up the App on your phone contact Jennifer Collins Box Top coordinator at (920)559-9311 or collinsljennifer@yahoo.com.

<u>Thank you</u>

TO DENTISTRY BY DESIGN

In late August, Dentistry by Design donated \$400 for the Kindergarten classrooms. This donation is the result of Dentistry by Design's most recent volunteer work day. On this day our team volunteers their time and expertise providing dental services to our patients. The money their practices earned from the services provided on this day is donated back to the community, with only a small portion being retained to cover basic expenses.



With that said, the team members at the three locations (Sturgeon Bay, Sister Bay and Algoma) chose to donate the money earned from their most recent volunteer work days to the sixteen, 5K classrooms at the five public schools in Door County and Algoma. They asked that this money be used in the kindergarten classroom in a way the teachers feel positively impacts their students.

The Dentistry by Design team greatly appreciates all that the staff at Sevastopol do for our children and our community! And in turn, Sevastopol thanks them for their efforts and thoughtfulness in considering the students at Sevastopol Elementary.

Child Find

Sevastopol School District will be hosting a developmental screening on Wednesday, October 23, from 8 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. for children ages 3-21 living in our district and not currently enrolled in school. This is the first of two developmental screening dates planned. The second will be scheduled in March or April of 2020. The screening process takes approximately 1.5 hours, so we ask that you register in advance for an appointment by calling Sue Anschutz at (920) 743-6282 Ext. 1132. For more information please go to our district website at: (https://tinyurl.com/y3xh2dmc) or contact Pupil Services at (920) 743-6282. Thank you.

El Distrito Escolar de Sevastopol organizará una evaluación de desarrollo el miércoles 23 de octubre, de 8 a.m. a 4:00 p.m. para niños de 3 a 21 años que viven en nuestro distrito y que actualmente no están inscritos en la escuela. Esta es la primera de las dos fechas de evaluación del desarrollo planificadas. El segundo se programará en marzo o abril de 2020. El proceso de selección dura aproximadamente 1,5 horas, por lo que le pedimos que se registre con anticipación para una cita llamando a Dina Saunders al (920) 743-6282 Ext. 1141. Para obtener más información, visite el sitio web de nuestro distrito en: (https://tinyurl.com/v3xh2dmc). Gracias.

Lice:

It is that time of year when we typically see increased lice reports. Here are some facts about lice and some suggested pro-active steps that could be taken. For starters, it is recommended that you check your child(ren) regularly, regardless of getting a notice from the school of an occurrence. The Center for Disease Control (CDC) mentions that



"Head lice are spread most commonly by direct head-to-head (hair-to-hair) contact. However, much less frequently they are spread by sharing clothing or belongings onto which lice have crawled or nits attached to shed hairs may have fallen. The risk of getting infested by a louse that has fallen onto a carpet or furniture is very small. Head lice survive less than 1–2 days if they fall off a person and cannot feed; nits cannot hatch and usually die within a week if they are not kept at the same temperature as that found close to the scalp."

You may already be aware of this but the CDC outlines the following as steps that can be taken to help prevent and control the spread of head lice:

- Avoid head-to-head (hair-to-hair) contact during play and other activities at home, school, and elsewhere (sports activities, playground, slumber parties, camp).
- Do not share clothing such as hats, scarves, coats, sports uniforms, hair ribbons, or barrettes.
- Do not share combs, brushes, or towels. Disinfest combs and brushes used by an infected person by soaking them in hot water (at least 130°F) for 5–10 minutes.
- Do not lie on beds, couches, pillows, carpets, or stuffed animals that have recently been in contact with an infected person.

- Machine wash and dry clothing, bed linens, and other items that an infected person wore or used during the 2 days before treatment using the hot water (130°F) laundry cycle and the high heat drying cycle. Clothing and items that are not washable can be dry-cleaned OR sealed in a plastic bag and stored for 2 weeks.
- Vacuum the floor and furniture, particularly where the infested person sat or lay. However, spending much time and money on housecleaning activities is not necessary to avoid reinfestation by lice or nits that may have fallen off the head or crawled onto furniture or clothing.
- Do not use fumigant sprays or fogs; they are not necessary to control head lice and can be toxic if inhaled or absorbed through the skin.

Should your family have to address lice this link can lead you to some additional information and steps that can be taken: <u>https://www.cdc.gov/parasites/lice/head/treatment.html</u>. If experiencing lice, once treated and addressed it is a good idea to try another round of treatment some days later to be sure the nits have also been addressed to prevent them from maturing and thus returning.

There are some additional steps you can take proactively. According to the Mayo Clinic these suggestions require more study however they have shown some signs that certain ingredients in over the counter (OTC) products may repel lice making it less likely to impact your child(ren):

- Rosemary
- Lemongrass
- Tea tree
- Citronella
- eucalyptus

Look for these ingredients in shampoos, lotions and soaps. For example, use a shampoo with tea tree oil once per week.

Regardless of what is done to treat lice reactively or proactively an infestation can still occur. Hopefully, some of this information is new to you and can be useful. Should you need additional information please go to the following links:

https://www.cdc.gov/parasites/lice/index.html

https://www.healthline.com/health/lice/head-lice-prevention#good-habits