April 2023

Dear Parents,

Can you believe that there are 19 1/2 days left to school! The school year is quickly coming to an end. We want to make sure that we make everyday count for these next few weeks.

Next week (May 1-5) is Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week. This is a wonderful week to thank your child’s teacher for his/her hard work in helping your child this year. You are welcome to recognize your child’s teacher in any way you want, but to help you out our amazing PTA put together a school-wide plan:

Monday- Motivational Monday- Bring your teacher or staff member a coffee/drink & donut to start off the week.
Tuesday- Cacti Day: Bring in a flower for a teacher or staff member.
Wednesday- Our staff is all that & a bag of chips! Bring in a bag of chips & drink for a teacher or staff member.
Thursday- Kindness Day: Show some love to your teacher or staff member with a card or letter.
Friday- Bring your teacher or staff member a sweet treat to brighten their day.

Grades 3-5 FAST TEST Information:

Next week our third, fourth, and fifth grade classes being their state mandated testing. The test is known as the FAST Test. The test is designed to show mastery of the grade level B.E.S.T Standards. Please help your child to do his/her best on the test by making sure your child gets a good night sleep, wakes up with enough time to get ready for school, and arrives on time. Students must be in the classroom on time in order to test with the class. Tardy students are unable to enter the classroom once the test has started.

Testing Schedule:
- v Tuesday, May 2- Grade 5 ELA (reading) Test
- v Wednesday, May 3- Grade 3 and 4 ELA (reading) Test
- v Thursday, May 4- Grade 5 Math Test
- v Tuesday, May 9- Grade 5 Science Test- Day 1/Session 1
- v Wednesday, May 10- Grade 5 science Test- Day 2/Session 2 (Students must complete session 1 before starting session 2)
- v Thursday, May 11- Grade 3 & 4 Math Test

Other School News:

Families who are co-residing:

A few weeks back the office staff sent home forms to families that were co-residing in one house/apartment. The school district requires that families who are sharing a residence provide updated residency documents. Please be sure to come to school with your documents so that the data processor can move forward with preparing teacher assignments for next year.

School Yearbooks:

We have a few extra yearbooks. If you missed out on ordering a school yearbook it is not too late. Please send $25.00 cash (exact change) to school with your child. Quantities are limited. First come, first served. Once we sell out, we will not be able to accept money.

Last day of School:

The last day of school is Friday, May 26. This is a real 1/2 day. Dismissal is at 11:25am. It is important that parents make arrangements to be at dismissal on time.

This last school day is very busy and goes by quickly. Students will be served breakfast & lunch. Students will not bring bookbags to school on this day. Report cards will be posted and a ParentLink message will go out when parents can view the final report card. Report cards are not send home on the last day of school.

Ms. Lippek, Principal

Strive to arrive by 7:35
Hello Schmidt Sailors,

Wow, this year has flown by so quickly! We had so many wonderful things happening in our media center.

In August, we had media orientations to learn how to use the library. In September and October, we kicked off SLAM by introducing all the new SSYRA and SSYRA Jr. books and celebrated Latinx Heritage Month. In November, we shared our gratitude for the library and our school. In December, had winter themed centers for each class to explore. In January, we worked on our SLAM projects. In February, we shared kindness in the library and celebrated Black History Month. In March, we celebrated Women’s History. In April, we celebrated School Library Month. In May, it’s time to say goodbye and make sure to return all our library materials.

The last day for students to check out books is May 5, 2023, and all library books are due back by May 12, 2023.

Information about summer reading will be sent home at the end of the month.

Happy Reading!

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