KEGONSA FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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March 26

We had a lovely last week before break. One student told me that his "brain is so filled with knowledge" he needs to sleep for days. As we push off for Spring Break, please remember to take safety precautions to reduce our risk of COVID-19. Please review our letter to families here.

We are excited to welcome everyone back on April 5! - Erin





News from Kegonsa

ENJOY SPRING BREAK! (MARCH 29-APRIL 2)

KEGONSA April 5 Reopening Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) In-Person Learning - Grades K-5

Key HIGHLIGHTS

- 1. Take your child's temperature and monitor for symptoms every morning before coming to school. Symptoms are listed on our <u>COVID-19 Quick Sheet</u>.
- 2. Our school day hours are 7:45 a.m. 1:45 p.m. Students may NOT be dropped off before 7:30.
 - 1. *Please note our new hours. We are not able to provide student supervision earlier than 7:30 a.m. or after 1:50 p.m. Outside of these times, we cannot ensure student physical distancing and mask-wearing. Please plan accordingly for drop-off and pickup.
- 3. For a midday pick up or drop off, please park out front and call the office at 608-877-5200.
- 4. Be sure your child has dressed appropriately for the weather

School Meals Reminder - Preparing for Phase 3

Per the USDA, meals are free to all students until the end of the 2020-21 school year and we want to make the transition to Phase 3 on April 5 as smooth as possible.

If you are currently signed up for meals and <u>are changing learning models</u> on April 5, you should have received an email from Jenny McKenna asking for your meals confirmation.

If you are currently signed up for meals and <u>are not</u> changing learning models, your meals will remain the same.

If you are not signed up for meals and would like to, please visit our <u>website</u> OR see below to read through our options by grade level and learning model:

VIRTUAL VIKINGS GRADES K-5 may participate in weekly onsite meal pick up Onsite pick up will include breakfast and lunch for 7 days. Students must <u>SIGN UP HERE</u>. **IN-PERSON VIKINGS GRADES K-2** may participate in daily school meals.

Students currently receiving meals will continue receiving meals daily; They will also continue to receive a Friday grab and go bag including meals for Saturday and Sunday. Students must take breakfast and lunch. If you are not receiving meals at school and would like to, <u>you will</u> need to SIGN UP HERE.

IN-PERSON VIKINGS GRADES 3-5 may participate in option 1 and/or option 2.

<u>Option 1</u>- Onsite pick up will include lunch for Saturday and Sunday and breakfast for all 7 days. Students must <u>SIGN UP HERE.</u>

Option 2 - Daily onsite lunch for all 5 days of the week Sign up is **not required**. Note that breakfast is not served in the building.

School Picture Ordering

If you had pictures taken and have not ordered a picture package and would like to, please <u>click here</u>. Use your portrait ID and access code that is on your child's picture proof that was sent home last week.

If your student was unable to have a picture taken this year, they will be listed under their grade with their name only. We've asked our yearbook provider, Lifetouch, if families can upload photos, but unfortunately, they do not have this feature. We are already looking forward to next year's pictures so we can capture the smiling faces of all students!





News from Art

Hello Kinder, 1st and 2nd Grade Teams!

This week's art lesson is called O'Keeffe Magnified and practices the skill **Observe: Artists observe the world around them.** This lesson is inspired by Sun Prairie native Georgia O'Keeffe and encourages students to look closely at nature. Here is one fabulous early submission:

Hello 3rd, 4th and 5th Grade Families

This week's art lesson is called O'Keeffe Mystery Pictures and practices the skill **Observe:**Artists observe the world around them. This lesson is inspired by Sun Prairie native Georgia

O'Keeffe and encourages students to look closely at everyday objects and to experiment with magnification.—If we look closely at everyday things, the ordinary can become extraordinary!



News from the Library

This week in Library, students will continue to work with Module 3 Read At Home Books!

Kindergarten: The Secret Subway, by Shana Corey

First Grade: Chapters 9-10 of The Wonderful Wizard of Oz, by L. Frank Baum

Second Grade: Chapters 6-9 of Loretta Little Looks Back, by Andrea Davis Pinkney

Third Grade: Chapters 16-19 of Wishtree, by Katherine Applegate Fourth Grade: Chapters 11-13 of Chains, by Laurie Halse Anderson Fifth Grade: Chapter 7 of Elijah of Buxton, by Christopher Paul Curtis

All kindergarten, first grade, and second grade lessons can be found in the Library Seesaw classes. All third, fourth, and fifth grade lessons can be found in the Library Google Classroom.

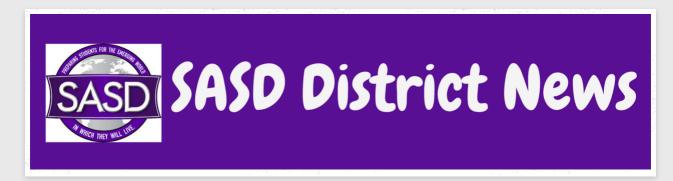
This week in Rosenberg Recommends, I talk about some of the books we have in the library that feature mindfulness and meditation to help with anxiety and stress - books that are great for kids and adults! You can find out more here:



News from Music

K-5 Music is working on a unit about **form** which is the building blocks that make up music. Today's artifact is a video featuring 1st graders who are performing **contrasting actions** to show **call & response form** while **singing**!





We Introduced Speak Up, Speak Out

This week we introduced Speak Up, Speak Out districtwide at SASD. SUSO is a Resource Center with a threat reporting system (or tip line) available to students, families, school staff and community members. It runs 24/7 and is completely free. To view the materials we presented, click here. Learn more at www.speakup.widoj.gov or on our flyer.

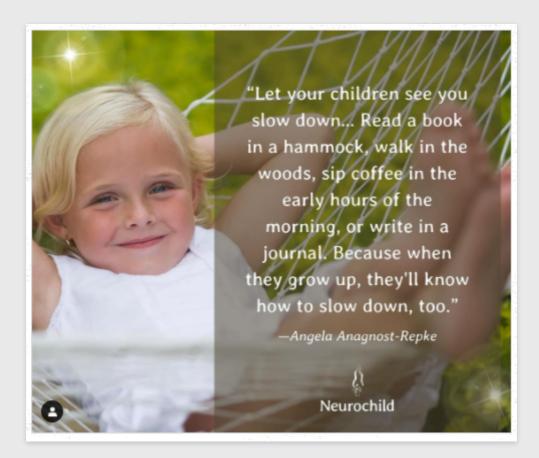
From the Virtual Desk of Nurtured Heart

Just a simple (or maybe not so simple) reminder this week as we head into spring break! Your children are always noticing and listening.

To your (and your child's) GREATNESS, Humanity, & Significance!!!
Amy

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Summer EXCEL

The Stoughton Area School District is excited to offer summer programming again for grades 4K-8 beginning June 14, 2021. Summer EXCEL offers a variety of 4K-8 enrichment and academic courses. Sumer EXCEL provides your child the opportunity to continue practicing their math and reading skills by signing up for both 9-day sessions. Our enrichment courses are sure to keep your child engaged with new learning. Check out the course catalog on the Summer EXCEL web site. Registration will begin in mid-April. Classes are scheduled on a first come, first served basis.

Covid-19

STAYING SAFE

COVID-19 Absence and Screening

Each morning families are expected to screen their child based on the <u>Self-Screen Quick</u> Sheet.

- 1. If your child has tested positive for COVID-19,
- 2. Has symptoms of COVID-19, or
- 3. Has had close contact with an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19, please keep your child at home. Call our attendance line to report the absence. Coming next week we will also have a Student COVID-19 Form that we will ask families to fill out. Thank you for doing your part!

Procedures for positive students and those identified as close contacts for in-person students



If we are informed of a positive case, we will immediately

complete contact tracing. Once a student is identified as a close contact they will need to be sent home immediately. Families will receive communication from the school nurse and building staff informing the family of the close contact and when your student is eligible to return to the building as long as they did not develop covid symptoms during their quarantine. If there is a status change during quarantine such as test results or symptom development, please contact our health assistant Tammy Wirag (877-5204) or Laurel Gretebeck (877-5405) to determine if the return date needs to be adjusted for students at Kegonsa School. If required to quarantine from our building, students will be expected to attend classes virtually until their date of return.

If you suspect your student is Covid positive or is showing <u>symptoms</u> of Covid please keep them home and have them tested. Upon the receipt of a positive test result, please complete the necessary <u>documentation</u> on the district covid resource page so we can begin the contact tracing process.



On behalf of Working for Kids, we would like to introduce ourselves and ensure you have all you need to know for supporting your child(ren) and school throughout this school year... and

Our next meeting is on April 20, at 6:15

If you would like to sign up to come to a meeting, please submit your name and email <u>here</u>. This form is managed by our WFK parent leadership. They will connect you with a zoom link for upcoming meetings.





Past Newsletters

Winter Newsletters:

<u>January 8, January 15, January 24, January 29, February 4, February 12, February 19, February 27, March 5, March 11, March 19, March 26</u>

Fall Newsletters:

December 4, December 13 December 18

November 6, November 13, November 23

October 3, October 9, October 16, October 22 October 31

September 7, September 11, September 22, September 25, August 14, August 21, August 31









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