Sandhill Elementary School

SANDHILL E-NEWS, SEPTEMBER 17, 2018

ELEMENTARY SCHEDULE

Monday, 9/17, B Day Tuesday, 9/18, C Day Wednesday, 9/19, D Day Thursday, 9/20 A Day Friday, 9/21, B Day

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- · September 25, WFK Cherrydale Fundraiser Kick Off
- October 3, Bike or Walk to School Day
- · October 5, Picture Retakes
- October 24 & 25, Parent-Teacher Conferences
- October 25, Early Release (11:00 am)
- October 26, No School

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL OUTSIDE PROCEDURES

Thank you, families, for getting into the routines for picking up and dropping off your learner. We appreciate you helping your learner practice using the crosswalks, listening to the student safety patrol officers or school staff. All of our routines and procedures keep student safety in mind.

As of Friday, September 21st the front entrance will remain locked until the end of school bell rings. Families will no longer be able to wait in the front entrance vestibule. If you need to come in early, enter the first set of doors, alert the office by pressing the button on the wall, then enter office to provide your name and get a badge.

ART TO REMEMBER

It's that time of year again! <u>Art to Remember</u> is in full swing. Art To Remember is a fundraiser we do every fall where students will make a piece of artwork that can be purchased on a multitude of items. Feel free to check out this years projects in the displays across from the music room. Some important dates to remember are:

- 10/29/18- Order forms will come home
- 11/5/2018 Order and payment deadline

It is a quick turnaround when the order forms come home and when the payment is dueespecially if you would like these products as gifts for the holidays.

Please contact me with any questions at: natalie.ergas@stoughton.k12.wi.us

FROM THE DESK OF MR. FIMREITE

This year at Sandhill, we have multiple students who have severe and potentially life threatening allergies to peanuts and tree nuts/nut products. We want Sandhill to be as safe as possible for these students as well as others with less severe peanut/nut allergies.

In an effort to keep these children and others safe and healthy, we are asking for your help in the following ways:

- 1. All Sandhill families in grades K-5 are **strongly discouraged** from sending any nuts or any nut or peanut butter products with your child for snack or lunch. This means peanuts, tree nuts, any other nuts, peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, peanut butter cookies, peanut butter candy, peanut butter granola bars, etc. Some safe nut-free snacks are: fruit, vegetables, cheese (cubes, string cheese), crackers (Ritz, Cheez-Its, saltines, fish crackers, and animal crackers), Teddy Grahams, pretzels, raisins, fruit snacks and yogurt.
- Remind your child to wash their hands if they have been in contact with food items containing nuts.
- 2. If your child has nuts or nut products at home or in the car for breakfast, ensure that their hands are washed at home or right away when they get to school before they go into their classroom.
- 3. Help your child to get into the habit of washing his/her hands after eating any meal at home.

We, at Sandhill will also take the following steps to create awareness and safety regarding nut allergies:

- 1. Sandhill is designated as a NUT AWARE SCHOOL
- 2. The food service provider, TAHER, takes great care in not making anything containing nuts for hot lunches.
- 3. We are putting signs throughout the school to remind students to wash their hands if they have been in contact with food items containing nuts and that we are a NUT AWARE SCHOOL.

I know our Sandhill families will do their best to remember that Sandhill is a Nut Aware School. I also know that sometimes a peanut product may be brought to school for lunch. In that case, the child will sit with friends farther away from the students with allergies.

Please let your child's teacher know if your child will only eat a peanut butter sandwich. We will work with you to develop a lunchroom plan for your child and others like her/him.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation to keep Sandhill Elementary a safe environment for everyone. Please contact Laurel Gretebeck, District Nurse at 608-877-5405; Mindy Holverson, Sandhill Health Assistant at 608-877-5404; or me at 608-877-5401 if you have additional questions.

SANDHILL BUILDING SECURITY

The safety of our students is a top priority in the Stoughton Area School District. As a part of our ongoing efforts to improve safety, we have secured entrances and a computerized school visitor management system. Our goal is to maximize safety for our students and minimize the inconvenience to our visitors as much as possible.



Secured entrances

All of our doors will be locked during the school day. When a visitor comes to the building during the school day, he/she will enter the first set of doors into a vestibule. Once inside the vestibule, there will be a small camera and buzzer to alert the main office of your arrival. At this point, the visitor will wait for an office staff member to buzz him/her into the building. Once buzzed into the building, the visitor will proceed to the office.

Raptor

Once a visitor enters the office, he/she will present a state issued identification to an office staff member. If it is the visitor's first time visiting a building, his/her ID card will be scanned into Raptor. Raptor collects the ID photo, name, date of birth, and first four digits of the license number on the identification to perform an instant sex offender background check against databases in all 50 states (for more information on Raptor data collection, please access the FAQ document located at www.stoughton.k12.wi.us). Once that person's ID is scanned, he/she is entered into the system. The office staff member will identify whether the individual is visiting the building or volunteering in a specific area or classroom. Once this information is entered, a visitor badge will print out with the visitor's name, picture, and destination in the building. When the visitor is leaving, he/she stops back in the main office to check out.

Future visits to that building will not require the added step of ID scanning. Raptor will use the information saved from the ID scan to perform a background check with each subsequent visit. The scanning process is very quick and will need to be done the first time visiting each building within the district.

If an adult is planning to chaperone a field trip (day trip or overnight trip) or are driving students they will have to fill out a <u>paper background check form</u> and submit it to the business office. We will be using Raptor to track both visitors and volunteers in our buildings.

We appreciate your patience as continue to improve safety for our students!

PICTURE RETAKES

If you child did not get a school picture taken or you want a retake, the <u>Lifetouch</u> photographers will be at Sandhill on Friday, October 5th. If it is a retake, you must send the pictures you are returning to school with your child.

SANDHILL'S 30 SECOND UPDATE - #2



SANDHILL TWITTER SIGN UP - YOU DO NOT NEED A TWITTER ACCOUNT

Stay Up To Date-Announcements & Reminders via Twitter

Fast Follow. Anyone in the US can receive Tweets on their phone even if they haven't signed up for Twitter. This is a simple way for people to get information they care about in real-time. For example, if you want to get Sandhill Elementary Tweets, just text - follow Fimreitejeff to 40404. Tell Twitter to be quiet. Turn text messages on or off by sending 'on' or 'off' to Twitter (40404). If you have a twitter account, you can also go to the settings page if you want to turn off text message updates just during a certain time period.



2018-2019_Calendar.pdf

The 2018-19 calendar is finalized. You can download a copy from here.



INFINITE CAMPUS PORTAL

Is your Parent/Guardian Infinite Campus Portal account set up and active? Is your household information accurate? Please take a moment to verify by going to

https://stoughtonwi.infinitecampus.org/campus/portal/stoughton.jsp. This is a great tool to have to review your child's student information (attendance, grades, schedules, etc) as well as for registration and contact purposes. If you discover you do not have an account, cannot remember your login information or other related questions, please contact the Stoughton Area School District Infinite Campus Specialist, Heather Lucas at 608-877-5045 or heather.lucas@stoughton.k12.wi.us

DISTRICT ENEWS

Did you know that in addition to the e-Newsletters you receive from Sandhill, you can also sign up to receive a District e-Newsletter that includes student features, reminders about upcoming events, volunteer opportunities, community flyers, videos, photos and more? Follow this link to sign up. You can opt out at any time.

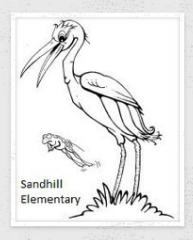


GIVE A SHOUT OUT TO A STAFF MEMBER!

If you would like to recognize a staff member here at Sandhill, please fill out the following form. Shout out Form. The information you share will be posted in our staff bulletin.

YOU CAN ADD A DISTRICT CALENDAR TO YOUR PHONE

Please click here for a tutorial that shows you how to add the Sandhill Calendar to your phone.



CONTACT INFORMATION

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Ms. MacDermot, School Social Worker, 877-5423



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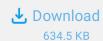






Text Signup Flyer

Download this document to get instructions to sign up for text alerts from the Stoughton Area School District (SASD).



OTHER INFORMATION

- <u>Be a Learning Hero</u> Parent Information from the National PTA to support student learning at home and in the community
- Community Events link
- To apply for a job with the Stoughton Area School District through WECAN

