



## Kanesville Elementary December Newsletter

### Principal's News

Last week my son, who is in the early stages of becoming a teacher, interviewed me for a paper that he was writing for a Human Development class. We speak often about a variety of topics because we have similar interests, however, I was taking this conversation a little more serious because it was for a school assignment. I traded my dad hat for my educator hat. The answer to his question of, "What is the best part of your career?" came quickly and easily. "The people." Our parents are great! Supportive of students and teachers alike. We have amazing teachers who are focused on student achievement. Grades K through 6, teachers do what is best for kids. But it is the kids that make all of this worthwhile. As parents, you have experienced those times when your children surprise you by how much they have grown. You have definitely felt the joy of your children smiling at you. Well, your children are our children. We care about them and that is why we live for their academic growth and are overjoyed by their smiles. Kanesville is a happy place!

Reminder: December in Utah can be unpredictable. One thing we do know is that it is cold. Please make sure that your children are dressed for the weather. We will be having recess as much as possible to give the kids a chance to run around and rejuvenate.

Parents, when visiting our school, please check in at the office. We will be more than happy to call your student to the office if you are dropping something off or deliver it for you. Teachers are instructing students starting at 8:35 and ending at 3:15. If you would like to speak to a teacher during the day, we will check their availability. Please allow teachers to work with students during the day and save meetings for after school. Email is a great way to ask questions and receive responses. In short we are trying to limit traffic in the hallways. Thank you for helping us keep students and teachers concentrated on academics during the day.

Mr. Willie

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## Notes from the School Nurse

### A Few Tips and Reminders for Parents

Occasionally children get sick. Out of consideration for others, as well as your own child, it is recommended that when any of the following conditions exist you keep your child home from school and contact your health care provider for treatment.

**Temperature** – 100 degrees or above. A fever is a warning sign that all is not right with the body. Keep your child home until his/her fever has been gone WITHOUT medicine for 24 hours.

**Cold or Flu**- both are respiratory illnesses caused by different viruses. Both can cause fever, body aches, a dry cough and tiredness. However, the flu has a tendency to come on quickly and without warning. The flu can cause a fever as high a 103 degrees, severe body aches, headache, and severe weakness.

**Strep Throat**- The first symptoms are fever, sore throat, and swollen tonsils. This illness is spread by contact with the infected person. The child should be kept home until they have been on antibiotics for 24 hours. The antibiotic should be taken for as long as the health care provider has ordered. This helps prevent further complications.

**Vomiting and Diarrhea**- indicates an illness that can best be taken care of at home. Keep your child home for 24 hours after the last time he/she vomited or had diarrhea

**Persistent cough**- A health care provider should evaluate any heavy or hacking cough, or a cough that persists for more than 2 weeks. A persistent runny nose with yellow or green discharge should also be evaluated.

**Chicken pox** - Chicken pox is passed from one person to another by direct contact with an ill person. The child is contagious for as long as 5 days before the rash appears to 5 days after the first eruptions. The child should remain at home until all the pox are dry. Although children may be vaccinated there is still a small chance they could become ill with the virus.

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## Notes from the School Nurse (cont.)

**Lice-** are a common problem among school children. The most common sign is persistent itching. Head lice are about the size of a sesame seed. Nits (the egg that the lice lay) are what are most commonly seen. They are located at the base of the hair shaft and are firmly attached – they cannot be easily brushed away like dandruff. Lice are spread through direct contact with someone who is infested by head to head contact. Sleepovers are a common place for transmission. Treatment with special lice shampoo should be started immediately and the directions on the shampoo should be followed carefully. Children may return to school after the 1<sup>st</sup> shampoo.

**Pink eye-** It is helpful to think of pinkeye like the common cold. Both conditions may be passed on to other children, but resolve without treatment. We do not exclude for the common cold. Pinkeye generally results in less symptoms of illness than the common cold. The best method for preventing spread is good hand washing. Keep your child home if they are producing **more than a small amount** of discharge from their eyes.

**Sick children belong at home – Well children belong at school**

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## What's for Lunch?

School breakfast and lunch menus are now available electronically. In an effort to conserve resources, printed menus will no longer be sent home each month.

The menu can be viewed on the Weber School District website at [www.wsd.net](http://www.wsd.net). Look for the quick link at the bottom right of the homepage.

## Upcoming Events

### December:

- 6th.....PTA Meeting 2:30  
13th.....McDonald's Fundraiser Night for  
VEX Robotics Program(5:30 pm-7:30 pm)  
21st.....Early Out  
22nd-Jan.2nd.....NO SCHOOL- Winter Break

### January:

- 3rd.....School Resumes

## Communication Station

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## Information from the PTA

This season, I'd like to let you all know how thankful I am to be part of our amazing Kaneshville community. As a PTA presidency, we truly appreciate all of the support that you give to our students! Special thanks go out to all of you who volunteer...you really do make a difference! A shout-out this month goes to Dana Lamb and Kathryn Charlesworth for their hard work running our Reflections program, to Shawnell Thurgood and Ashlee Harris who put on another successful Book Fair, and to Molly Kirk and Jessie Anderson for an excellent and fun Red Ribbon Week. Also, thanks to all those who donated their extra Halloween candy for spirit treats. Thank you!!!

We also appreciate the support that we've received through our Dining for Dollars program this year. Our Pizza Pie Café and Costa Vida fundraiser nights were a great success, and we're looking forward to more fun nights out in support of Kaneshville! On December 13<sup>th</sup>, the Kaneshville Robotics Club will be staffing a Dining for Dollars night at the McDonalds at 4070 Midland Drive from 5:30-7:30 pm. 20% of *all* sales (yes, you can hit the drive-up window!) will go directly to the support of our incredible robotics teams, so make sure to stop by!

Finally, we know that there is a lot of interest and some concern about the boundary changes that the District will be making this year, not only here at Kaneshville but at several other schools in our area as well. Please follow our Facebook page, and we'll do our best to pass along the official information that we receive. For now, we'll just Keep Calm, and Cougar On!

Thanks again!

Lacy Richards

Kaneshville PTA Co-President



Don't forget to keep clipping those Box Tops. Our next Box Tops Store will be on May 4th, but you are welcome to send in Box Tops into the office anytime throughout the year. It's always helpful to us when they are cut and counted. Please check expiration dates too. If Box Tops are expired we cannot mail them in for cash. Thank you for your continued Box Top help and support.