



Kanesville Elementary November Newsletter

Principal's News

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The first quarter has come and gone, and we are still doing well. Thank you for your support during Parent/Teacher Conferences. I was very happy to see so many of you here with your children supporting and encouraging them as they continue to work this school year. Your students would not be as successful without you. Thank you also for your support of the school fundraiser. We did very well. The funds earned will go a long way to provide a strong educational experience for our kids and to fill in some of the gaps left in the budget.

Many of you know the story about the little girl from Delta, Tayton Timothy, who was hurt in a skating accident last year. You may also know about our two outstanding cougars, Sophia and Sabrina Johnson who took it upon themselves to start a fund raising project to aide Tayton in her recovery. This year the Timothy family returned to Kanesville to donate two AED units to our school. The students at Kanesville benefited from this project well before the AED units arrived. How did they benefit? This year I have had several groups of kids come to me with service projects they would like to undertake. Our student council is considering which way to go. It would be difficult to re-create the success of last year. Instead we are working on several smaller projects intended to help a greater number of people. The benefit is that students at Kanesville now know what it means to help others. That is a lesson that will serve these students their entire lives and part of what makes Kanesville special.

I would like to take this opportunity to address the issue of attendance. We cannot overemphasize the importance of students being at school and ready to learn every day. Each day has its own unique learning opportunities, not to mention that learning builds upon what was learned yesterday and sets the groundwork for what will be done tomorrow. When a student misses multiple days it is sometimes difficult to completely catch up. When students miss multiple days in a year over the course of several years they will often fall behind. Occasionally students will have to miss a day because of illness or appointments and we understand that. When it is possible though, students should be at school. Please keep this in mind when planning activities for you students. By the way, school starts at 8:40 and ends at 3:15.

Thank you for sharing your children with us. Our door is always open.

Mr. Willie

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The Pawprint



Notes from the School Nurse

Utah experiences poor air quality due to inversions during the winter months from time to time. There is concern about the effects of poor air quality on children's health and their ability to breathe easily. On poor air quality days, the Utah Department of Health recommends that schools do the following.

- Check the Particulate Matter (PM2.5) levels. This information will guide our outdoor physical activities.
 - When the PM2.5 level falls between 35.5 and 55.4, it is recommended that "sensitive" students stay indoors.*
 - When the PM2.5 level falls between 55.5 and 90, it is recommended that "sensitive" students **and** students experiencing respiratory symptoms, such as a cold or allergies, stay indoors.
 - When the PM2.5 level rises above 90, it is recommended that outdoor recess be cancelled for all children and alternative play/exercise opportunities be offered indoors.

What should parents do?

- Parents, with advice from your health care provider, need to contact the school secretary or nurse if your child is "sensitive" to poor air quality.
 - *Sensitive children may include those with significant or poorly controlled asthma, cystic fibrosis, chronic lung disease, congenital heart disease, compromised immune systems, or other respiratory problems.

For your information:

- The daily PM2.5 level is located at www.airquality.utah.gov.
- Additional information on air quality guidance for schools is located at www.health.utah.gov/asthma.

We are committed to providing a safe and healthy school environment for your child. Please contact the school if you have questions about this issue. I have created a list of students with asthma, and other respiratory problems based on information you have provided to the school regarding your child's health. If your child has asthma, and you have not returned the Asthma Questionnaire that asks whether you want your child to stay indoors on bad air quality days, please notify the school if you want your child to be allowed to go outdoors when the PM 2.5 level is above 35.5.

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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. Look for the quick link at the bottom right of the homepage.

Upcoming Events

November:

- 1st.....PTA Meeting 2:30 in Teacher Lounge**
- 11th.....Early Out**
- 14th-18th.....Red Ribbon Week**
- 15th.....Costa Vida Fundraiser Night**
- 23rd.....NO SCHOOL**
- 24th.....Thanksgiving-NO SCHOOL**
- 25th.....NO SCHOOL**

The Pawprint

Thank you for the great turnout at the Box Top store. Our next Box Top store will be on May 4th. Just a reminder, those students who turn in their box tops cut, counted, and not expired will receive more points for better prizes.

Keep clipping those Box Tops!



Big thanks to all the volunteers who helped with the book fair! Thank you for all the support in making the book fair a success.

There are many PTA positions that will need to be filled for the 2017-2018 school year... President, President-Elect, Treasurer, Secretary, Membership, Book Fair, Appreciations, SEP dinners, Newsletter, Yearbook, Birthday Books, Spirit Treats, Reflections, Box Tops, Jr. Achievement, Field Day, Red Ribbon Week and White Ribbon Week.

If you are interested in helping out with the PTA next year (or this year), please let us know or join us at one of our monthly meetings.

Thanks. The Kanesville PTA

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