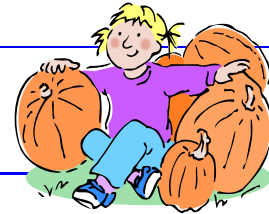


October



Nelson PRIDE

Family Newsletter



Michael Mitchener, Principal

Wednesday, October 4, 2017

Upcoming Events



- Tues. Oct. 10**---Dental Screenings in the Title Room
- Tues. Oct. 10**---5th Grade to the Zoo for Fire Prevention Day
- Wed. Oct. 11**---6:00-8:00 a.m. Dads 'N Donuts
- Thurs. Oct. 12**--- Kindergarten to Bergmans
- Oct. 11-13**---KSDE Assessment Conference
- Fri. Oct. 13**---End of the First Nine Weeks ½ Day Work & ½ Day Collaboration
- Oct. 16-18**---Parent / Teacher Conferences
- Oct. 16-18**---“Red Ribbon Week” (See the list of Daily Activities)
- Tues. Oct. 17**---1:00 p.m. Fire Dept. Visit
- Oct. 19-20**---Conference Release Days
- Mon. Oct. 23**---4th Grade to Halstead Learning Center for Smoke Out Day
- Tues. Oct. 24**---Nelson C.A.R.E. / S.I.T. Mtgs.
- Tues. Oct. 24**---Pre-K to Pumpkin Patch
- Wed. Oct. 25**---1st Grade to Pumpkin Patch
- Thurs. Oct. 26**---District Guiding Coalition Mtgs.
- Fri. Oct. 27**---3:00 p.m. School inside Parade & Fall Parties
- Tues. Oct. 31**---Principal “Lunch Bunch”
- Sun. Nov. 5**---Daylight Savings Time Ends



Dental Checks



-On **Tuesday, October 10, 2017**, Nelson will be participating in Dental Checks. These will begin at 8:30 a.m.. Parents, if you have any questions about this, please feel free to visit with our School Nurse, Vanessa Blanc @ 554-2273.



Dads 'N Donuts **Wednesday**

Oct. 11

-We want to invite everyone out to “Dads 'N Donuts” on **Tuesday, October 11, 2017**. This will be out in the main hall from **6:00 a.m.-8:00 a.m.** Don't be bashful, come on out and enjoy this special time.

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Conferences-As a reminder, Conferences are scheduled for **Monday through Wednesday, Oct. 16-18.** At Open House, we had parents sign up for a conference day and time. We desire to meet with 100% of our parents about our greatest asset “The Kiddos.” Parents, thank you for making these meetings a priority. As always, communication is the key to a successful year! We will be having **Late Nights** each evening from **4:00-8:30 p.m.**



Book Fair Invite During Conferences-

As a reminder, the Scholastic Book Fair will be up **on the Stage** during this week of Conferences Oct. 16-18, 2017. It will be open **Mon.-Wed. from from 4:00-8:00 p.m.** Come on out and support the school while having a blast reading!



“Kids Against Tobacco Day”-Fourth Graders will be taking a special Field Trip to the Halstead Learning Center on **Monday, October 23.** This is to learn more about the effects of Tobacco use on the body. A BIG Thanks goes out to Mrs. Means, our counselor, for arranging this great opportunity for our 4th Grade “Kiddos.”



Fire Department Visit / Drill / Trucks-

National Fire Prevention Week is soon upon us. Fires in the United States claim many lives annually. In keeping with this, we will be having a Fire Department visit on **Tuesday, Oct. 17, 2017.** The Fire Department will be in the building at around **1:00 p.m.** During this visit the Fire Department will conduct a Fire Drill as well as an inspection, and the Fire Trucks will be shown to the Pre-School and Kindergarten Classes. It is recommended that individual families also conduct practice drills and have a meeting place in the event of a household fire.



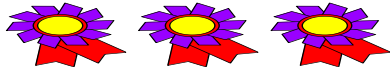
Fall Parties-

Fall parties will be held on **Fri., Oct. 27, at 3:00 p.m.** Room Parents, please make contact with the Classroom Teacher about “Wellness Guideline” treats and other plans for these parties. We will be allowing students to dress up as their favorite **Storybook Character** for the School inside Parade & Parties to start right at 3:00 p.m.. You may want to be creative and create your own costume! No need to purchase one if you would rather make it! If for any reason there are special times for your class parties, the teachers will so notify you.



No School Reminder-

As a reminder, there is **No School** for students on **Friday, Oct. 13** for Teacher Work Time and Collaboration. Then, there is also no school on **Thursday and Friday, Oct. 19 and 20, 2017** for Conference Release Days. Enjoy this time with your family.



Red Ribbon Week

October 16-18

Monday: “I have the power to put a cap on drugs!” (Wear a hat and wear red)

Tuesday: “The past was a blast. Dress as your favorite decade!” (Wear Clothes from the 70’s, 80’s, 90’s etc.)

Wednesday: “Peace out to drugs!” (Wear tie dye and peace signs.)

Literacy First News-



This month, your child’s teacher has finished up testing and diagnosing what skills your child needs to help him/her become fluent in reading. If your child is in grades PreK-1 grade, they have been given the Phonological Awareness Skills Test and the Phonics assessment. Second and third graders have taken the previous assessments plus the Primary/Elementary Spelling Inventory and the fluency assessment from our AimsWeb+ program. Fourth and fifth graders have taken the Elementary Spelling Inventory and the fluency assessment from our AimsWeb+ program. So needless to say, your child has been thoroughly assessed in their reading skills!

Your child’s teacher has settled into a routine with the Literacy centers rotations, whole group components and MIRP (Monitored Independent Reading Practice). They have started teaching small groups during centers at their teacher table. There is a lot going on during reading!

If you have any questions about Literacy First please feel free to contact your child’s teacher, myself or check out the official website: www.literacyfirst.com

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Learning Facilitator

