

SPRING GROVE PRESCHOOL & ELEMENTARY NEWS

November 15, 2019 <u>SCHOOL IS DISMISSED EVERY FRIDAY AT 2:30.</u>

FREE COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER: There will be a FREE Community Thanksgiving Dinner tomorrow, Saturday, November 16, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Galena High School. All are welcome. Come and eat a hot home cooked meal, free of charge. We would love to see you there. The meal will be provided by local area Churches, businesses and organizations. If you have any questions, please call Tara Bailey at 620-783-4499, ext. 1214. CHARACTER COUNTS: The Character Counts assembly for "CITIZENSHIP" will be held Wednesday, November 20th, at 8:00 a.m. in the Spring Grove Gym. The Character Counts word for December is "CARING".

THANKSGIVING VACATION: Thanksgiving Vacation will be November 25-29th. Classes will reconvene on Monday, December 2nd.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM: The Spring Grove Christmas Program will be Thursday, December 5th, in the Performing Arts Center at Galena High School. The Preschool/Kindergarten program will be at 6:00 p.m. and the 1st & 2nd grade program will be at 7:00 p.m. There are no specific costumes for the Preschool/Kindergarten program so we are asking the Preschool/Kindergarten students to wear something "dressy". Mrs. Wright is also asking that all Kindergarten students bring a pair of Christmas socks to school as they will be used as a prop in their program.

The students in grades 1 & 2 will be performing a very entertaining musical entitled, Forty Winks, for their program this year. There are some specific costumes for this year's program but the school will supply costumes for those characters. Otherwise, the theme is a holiday sleep over, so we are asking our 1st & 2nd grade students to wear school appropriate pajamas. Yes, we are asking them to wear their pajamas for the program, school appropriate, please.

HOLIDAY EXPRESS: Start planning ahead to see the Kansas City Southern's Holiday Express. The Holiday Express will be at the following locations in our area in December: Goodman, MO – December 14th @ 4:00 p.m. at the intersection of North School Street & West B Avenue

Joplin, MO – December 15th @ 4:00 p.m. at the Union Depot, just east of "B" and North Main. Pittsburg, KS – December 16th @ 4:00 p.m. at Elm and Monroe Streets.

INFORMATION FROM NURSE KELLOGG: IF your child is diagnosed with the flu, please contact the school to inform us. They may return to school after 5 days from the onset of symptoms and they have been fever free for 24 hours without fever reducing medication. These are CDC guidelines.

If you have any questions please contact Nurse DeAnn at 620-783-4499 ext. 1601. Thank you, Nurse DeAnn

NEW CLASSROOM GROUP PICTURES: The classroom group pictures for this school year have arrived. The price of a classroom group picture will be \$5. This money goes in an activity fund for special treats for our students. Pictures are available in the Spring Grove Office.

More important information on the back of this newsletter ------OVER->

COATS, JACKETS, & PERSONAL ITEMS: Please remember to put your child's name on a tag in their jackets, coats, and on all their personal items like backpacks and lunch boxes. It helps us to return items when they are left on the playground, in the gym, or in the restroom if we can find a name.

<u>CHANGE IN ROUTINE:</u> Please remember to contact the contact the school office if there is a change of plans on how your child will get home or who will be picking them up. If your call goes to voicemail, please leave a message, including your phone number, so that we can let you know we got your message. It gets very busy at the end of the school day but we do our best to make sure everyone gets to the right place. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding in these matters.

ADDRESSES & PHONE NUMBERS: Please remember to go into your PowerSchool Parent account to make changes when you move or change phone numbers. You can also call the Spring Grove office and we can make these changes for you. You don't want to miss a phone call in the event of an emergency or when there are activities to announce over the school messaging system, and when mailing you important information. Thank you.

A FRIENDLY REMINDER: USD #499 policy states meal payments should be made in advance or paid at the time the meal is purchased. If meals must be charged, we ask that you do not charge more than \$20. Thank you for your cooperation.

COMING EVENTS:

Nov. 16: FREE Community Thanksgiving Dinner – 5:00-7:00 p.m. @ Galena High School.

Nov. 20: Character Counts assembly @ 8:00 a.m. in the Spring Grove Gym.

Nov. 25-29: Thanksgiving Break

Dec. 2: Back to School

Dec. 5: Spring Grove Christmas Program – Preschool & Kindergarten program. @ 6:00; 1st & 2nd grade program @ 7:00 in the PAC.

Dec. 19: End of second nine weeks

Dec. 20: No school – Teacher Professional day

Dec. 23-Jan. 3: Christmas Break

Jan. 6: Back to School

Mission Statement: At Spring Grove we encourage and lead our students to develop social and academic skills to achieve lifelong learning for the 21st Century.

*Students will show respect in thinking and reasoning in oral and written communication.

It's the time of year for "unpredictable weather", will it be warm or cold?, rain or snow?, ...so here it is, our

"WEATHER CANCELLATION PROCEDURE"

School will not be dismissed because of storms that arise during the school day as long as it is feasible for students and teachers to remain at school safely. Parents are urged not to send their children to school when storm conditions exist or road conditions are such as to create a definite hazard. If adverse weather conditions exist before school begins, the building principals will consult with the superintendent of schools concerning dismissal of school.

School cancellation announcements will be broadcast on local TV and radio stations. We also have an automated system to contact you with cancellation information and important information about school activities. The automated system is called SchoolMessenger.

Phone numbers are already in this system so you should receive a call or text message if we have a correct phone number. This is why it is important to make sure you keep your phone number updated with the office.