

March 1, 2019

I hope to see many families out enjoying tonight's Movie Night!

Wednesday, March 6th is a full day Wednesday. Students will be dismissed at 3:20. Full day Wednesdays will continue until March 20th which will be an early dismissal for parent/teacher conferences.

Attached please find information regarding our 3rd Annual Multicultural Night. We are very exciting about the events planned for the evening!

This year's SBAC testing window is from April 22-May 13 for grades 3-5. Grade 5 will take the NGSS field test on May 16th.

The Bricks are still available for the memorial garden that will be created at the new building. Here is the form to complete if you would like to purchase a brick.

Attached is the food services Breakfast Week flyer. Check it out!

Information sent home yesterday...just in case you missed that email.

* Monday, March 4th we will have Renata Bowers a local author joining us during the school day and then again for a parent evening at 6:30. Please see the attached order forms if you would like to pre-order any of her books. Please get any pre-orders in by tomorrow so we can provide the list to Renata as she prepares for her visit on Monday. Books will also be available for purchase on Monday evening.

[PhilipRSmithOrderForm_Back.pdf](#) [PhilipRSmithOrderForm_Front.pdf](#)

*While this isn't common practice, it is still worth mentioning that students should not be contacting their parents in the middle of the school day using their cell phones or watches for parents to come and pick them up. If a child is at school and not feeling well, they should see the nurse for the nurse to determine whether or not they should be dismissed due to illness. Please see the attached district policy regarding use of private technological devices while at school.

http://www.southwindsorschools.org/UserFiles/Servers/Server_239916/File/Board%20of%20Education/2019%20Board%20Policies/Series%205000/5010%20Use%20of%20Private%20Technological%20Devices%20by%20Students.pdf

*And finally, last night I learned about the Momo Challenge through one of our concerned parents. My understanding is that it was also on the news yesterday. I did a bit of research about this challenge last night and felt it was important to make parents and staff aware of it. I'm no expert but here's my understanding...parents need to be aware that while your child is viewing youtube or other social media they *may* have a picture of Momo (a grinning figure with dark hair and bulging eyes created by a Japanese special effects company) pop up. There are reports that when Momo appears it will ask the viewer to harm themselves or others. It is not really known if this challenge is more hype or hoax than reality, but it reminds us to be vigilant about screening the computer usage of children. There are plenty of links on the internet to learn more. The PRS staff will be made aware of this and I will confirm with the IT department that this would be blocked at school.

Fondly, Michelle

Upcoming Dates...

Author Visit: March 4 Renata Bowers (see attached information)

Conferences scheduled for March 20, 27 and April 3

Professional Development Day: March 19th No School for Students

Multicultural Night: April 2nd 6:30-8:00

Current Last Day of School: June 17th

Tiger Time Dates/Times

February 25th 9:00

March 11th 2:30

April 15th 2:30

May 20th 9:00

June 14th 2:30