

October 19, 2018

Wednesday, October 24th is a 12:45 dismissal for students.

On Thursday October 25<sup>th</sup>, the SW Human Services Department is hosting Kevin Briggs, a renowned speaker on Suicide Prevention. See the attached flyer.

Attached you will find the Veteran's Day Tiger Time form. Please review it and send it in if you will have a Veteran joining us on 11-12-18 and email a picture of your Veteran to me if you would like their photo and name in our slide presentation.

Please let me know if you would like to be a co-coordinator for the after school programs. We have one volunteer who can take over the administrative duties but we need someone who will be here periodically to ensure that the programs are running smoothly on Wednesdays.

Congratulations to the Tiger Tracks Jogathon volunteers. I can't believe we raised over \$19,000!! Great job and thanks to all who supported this PTO fundraiser!

The Student Leadership Team is sponsoring a Thanksgiving Food Drive to benefit South Windsor families. All foods collected will be donated to South Windsor Human Services. The drive begins on Monday, October 15 and ends on Thursday, November 15. Any non-perishable Thanksgiving holiday foods would be greatly appreciated. Grocery store gift cards are also needed. Any donations can be dropped off in the boxes in the PRS lobby. Thank you for your support.

We are collecting  $\frac{1}{4}$ " ribbon which will be used to display student decorate birds around the school. This art project will follow a nationwide common read aloud called Read for the Record which will happen on October 25th. If you have any  $\frac{1}{4}$ " ribbon to spare, we'd love it so we can creatively hang the birds around the school!

Each year we identify an area to improve upon in regards to our communication with families. This year we are really focused on updating parents about student progress prior to parents receiving the progress reports. Each grade level will address this in a variety of ways.

The fifth grade teachers have asked that parents of students in grades K-4 save pictures over the next several years so when the students get to grade 5 there will be a nice archive of pictures from through their PRS years that can be included in the grade 5 yearbooks!

This year Unity Day is scheduled for October 24th. We are encouraging students to wear orange and stand up against meanness and bullying.

This year International Mix it Up Day is scheduled for October 23rd. During lunch students will be asked to mix things up and sit with someone they ordinarily would not sit with.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Upcoming Dates...

Mix it Up Day at lunch: October 23-kids encouraged to sit with someone new at lunch

Unity Day: October 24-unite against meanness-kids wear orange

Read for the Record: October 25

Scholastic Book Fair: October 29th-November 2nd

Donuts for Dads: October 31

No School for students(election day): November 6

STEM Night: November 15th from 6-7:30

Thanksgiving Break: November 22nd and 23rd

Tiger Time Dates/Times

November 12th 9:00

December 17th 2:30

January 14th 9:00

February 25th 9:00

March 11th 2:30

April 15th 2:30

May 20th 9:00

June 14th 2:30

Fondly, Michelle



To all Philip R. Smith School Families:

On Monday, November 12th, at 9:00 a.m. we will celebrate Veteran's Day in the PRS Gym (350 Foster Street). Please wear Red, White and Blue or patriotic clothing.

We would also like to project pictures of Veterans in a slide presentation. Please email me a picture of Veterans in your family along with the Veteran's name, your child(ren)'s name and the Veteran and your child's relationship.

We will be creating a Celebration of Service Wall, listing all the names of Veterans that are a part of your family and the PRS Community. If your Veteran is local and available to attend our Celebration we would love to honor them in person. Please return the bottom portion to school by Wednesday, November 7, 2018.

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Name of student \_\_\_\_\_ Classroom # \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Veteran & when they served (we will use this to create the class service wall):

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Name of Veteran able to attend our Celebration (we will use this to order the correct number of roses and plan for the procession of Veterans):

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Thank you so much for your help in creating a memorable and special  
Veteran's Day Celebration!!