November 2023 - Centre School - Newsletter

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GENERAL INFORMATION

The month of November has a couple of important holidays. Our first holiday this month is Veteran's Day on November 10th. This will be a "no school" day for staff and students. We will celebrate Thanksgiving during a *Sharing Assembly/Food Drive* on Tuesday, November 21st. If you would like your child to participate in our annual food drive, please send non-perishable items such as canned foods like tuna and soup, stuffing, peanut butter, and applesauce to school with your child for our *Sharing Assembly*. Our Thanksgiving break will begin with no school on Wednesday, Nov. 22. School will reopen on Monday, Nov. 27.

SCHOOL NURSE NEWS

A few reminders from the nurse as the days get colder and the holidays are approaching:

- This month we will hold our annual Thanksgiving Food Drive to help support local families! More details on specific donations needed and collection dates will be sent out soon!
- Please remember to send your student to school in warm clothing appropriate for the weather. We will still try to be outside as much as possible when the weather allows it. A change of clothing at school is also helpful to have in case a student's clothing becomes wet or dirty during the day!
- Remember when visiting friends and family the safety precautions you can take to minimize any contagious illness, including COVID-19: staying home when feeling sick, frequent hand washing, testing for COVID-19 for new covid-like symptoms, and staying up-to-date on recommended vaccines.

COUNSELOR'S NEWS

October was National Bullying Prevention Month. During the month, Centre students participated in a kickoff event where as a school community we define bullying, introduce the SOAR rules and staff present an example of coming together and helping friends. Throughout the year we continue building a sense of community and encouraging prosocial behaviors.

Centre School SOAR rules

- 1. We will not bully others
- 2. We will help students who are bullies
- 3. We will include students who are left out
- 4. We will tell an adult at school and an adult at home if we know someone is being bullied



For more information on bullying visit:

https://www.stopbullying.gov/

https://www.onoursleeves.org/mental-health-resources/articles-support/bullying/combat-bullying-tips

Book suggestions: Score One More by Marilyn Janovitz Stick and Stone by Beth Ferry Stand Tall, Molly Lou Melon by Patty Lovell

Samantha Connell School Counselor

LITERACY NEWS

Reading at home is a very important habit to develop, but sometimes it's hard for parents to know what kinds of books their children should be reading. It's important for developing readers to read books that contain words they can sound out and to practice the phonics skills they're learning at school. It's also important for children to have access to favorite storybooks and books about topics in which they're interested. Click here to learn more about decodable books and here to access Half Pint Readers online for free! Happy reading!

Information & Ideas:

How to Get a Library Card
Lane Library Children's Catalog

Book Share/Swap Days:

Preschool & Kindergarten: November 1st

Grade 1: November 8th Grade 2: November 15th

MATH NEWS

Students at Centre School work hard all year to become fluent with their math facts. Kindergarten students practice sums and differences within 10 and aim for fluency within 5. First graders practice sums and differences within 20 and aim for fluency within 10. Second graders aim for fluency within 20. Here are some links to a great resource for practicing at home:

Kindergarten practice First grade practice Second grade practice

OUTREACH COORDINATOR

Greetings Centre Families,

November is a month to reflect on what we are grateful for. It is also a month when we start to think of others. The Hampton School District has been involved in food drives and collections for many years. In the spirit of generosity, if you would like to donate to local causes here are a few ways to get involved...

<u>End 68 Hours of Hunger</u> is a public non-profit effort to confront the approx. 68 hours of hunger that some school children experience between the free lunch they receive in school Friday and the free breakfast they receive in school Monday. Here is the link to donate to the community in Hampton.

https://www.end68hoursofhunger.org/find-your-community/new-hampshire/hampton/

Operation Warm is a national non-profit the Firefighters of Hampton have partnered with to gift brand new coats to kids in our community. This is not a coat drive. Operation Warm will provide brand new coats in a variety of styles and colors. Every \$20 raised provides a new coat to a local child in need. Tax-deductible donations can be made through their fundraising page. Even a small donation will bring warmth and happiness to many children!

http://www.operationwarm.org/hampton2664

<u>Dress 4 School Success</u> a 501(c)3 non-profit organization exists to provide clothing to students in need. To learn more or to make a monetary or clothing donation please contact <u>Dress4SchoolSuccess@comcast.net</u>

Boy Scout Food Drive "Scouting for Food" effort will benefit 150 pantries, kitchens, and closets throughout New Hampshire. On **October 28th**, Cub Scouts, Scouts, Venturers, Explorers and their leaders will deliver Scouting for Food door hangers throughout their neighborhoods and state. On Saturday (**November 4th**), Scouts will return to collect the donated non-perishable food items left outside and take them to a convenient drop-off location within their local communities.

Toy Bank The Hampton Fire Department will be hosting their annual Toy Bank. You can donate gifts for families in need during the holidays directly to the Fire Department.

If you have any questions or if you would like to hear more about *your family participating in these opportunities* please reach out to:

Emily Fixler - District Social Worker at efixler@sau90.org or 603-926-2000 x726

IMPORTANT DATES/INFORMATION

Please refer to the following list of dates and upcoming events. Especially notice that on; Friday, Nov. 10th; Wednesday, Nov. 22; Thursday, Nov. 23; and Friday, Nov. 24 are NO SCHOOL DAYS FOR STUDENTS. This newsletter is published at the end of each month and sent home electronically. It is also published on the school's website.

Nov. 2 - Gr. 1 Field Trip to Children's Museum (Kelly, Lemire, Schneider)

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Nov. 5 – Daylight Savings Ends (Turn those clocks back 1 hour!)

Nov. 6 – Gr. K Walks to Lane Library

Nov. 7 - Pre-K Walks to Lane Library

Nov. 8 - Gr. 2 Walks to Lane Library

Nov. 9 - Gr. 1 Walks to Lane Library

Nov. 10 -Veterans' Day- No School

Nov. 14 – Hampton School Board Mtg. 6:00 PM

Nov. 14 – Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:15-6:15 PM Nov. 16 - Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:15-6:15 PM

Nov. 21 – Sharing Assembly and Food Drive

Nov. 21 - PTA meeting 5:00 @ H. Academy

Nov. 22-24 – Thanksgiving Break- No School

Dec. 1 - Trimester 1 Ends

Dec. 2 – Hampton Holiday Parade 1:00

