

Principals' Newsletter



PENN YAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

3 School Drive
Penn Yan, New York 14527
November 1, 2011

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Candy bags are full from trick-or-treating, the days are getting shorter, and we've already had a touch of snow on the ground November is officially here! It is looking to be a busy, busy month!

Some important dates to mark on the calendar:

Sunday, November 6th— HUBBA Pancake Breakfast at the Penn Yan Moose, 8-10 a.m.

Wednesday, November 9th— Picture Make-up Day

Friday, November 11th— **NO SCHOOL** In observance of Veterans' Day

Thursday, November 17th— Duffy Book Give-Away— Look for your child to bring home a new book on this day!

Friday, November 18th- Roller Skating Party

November 23rd– 27th— Thanksgiving Recess **NO SCHOOL**

December 1st, 2nd, & 5th— Parent Teacher Conferences **12 noon dismissal for students**

A few reminders:

Our Mustang Store is open for business! The store is located in Room 151. Each grade level is assigned a day and students are allowed to visit the store between 2:45 and 3:00 on their designated day. The Mustang Store will also be open during Parent Conferences, so stop on by! There will be leftover apparel items for sale, plus new PY merchandise that will make great stocking stuffers!

Our school day begins at 8:45 a.m. with students moving to the classrooms, and ends at 3:20 p.m. Attendance is taken promptly at 9:00 a.m. each morning. Please make every effort to ensure that children are here for the *entire* day— in classrooms and ready to learn at 9:00 a.m. Frequent tardies and early dismissals result in lost instructional time and can greatly impact student learning.

As the weather begins to turn colder, germs begin to spread and the incidence of illness seems to grow. Remember, frequent hand washing is one of the best ways to prevent illnesses. In the event that your child does become ill, please remember that in order for an absence to be considered excused, a note must be sent in upon a student's return to school. Parents/guardians are also expected to call the Health Office to report that their child is going to be out sick.

Our Lost & Found is starting to get crowded! When you are in the building please take a look to see if anything belongs to your child. To prevent items from "going lost" please write your child's name in coats, sweatshirts, backpacks, and lunchboxes.

We look forward to seeing you at Parent Conferences!

Marcie Ware
Principal

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Assistant Principal