
Albrecht Elementary News & Views

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A Note From Mr. Novy-Principal

PBIS In October

Our year has started off very well with our Positive Behavior and Intervention and Support (PBIS) program. Students have been taught our school-wide expectations of being Responsible, Respectful, and Safe. We had our first Monday Munchie popcorn day, and we are working toward our first school-wide reward for the year.

Our first reward day will take place when our students accumulate 1000 Cardinal Cards. Students are rewarded Cardinal Cards for showing "The Cardinal Way" in our school. We are in the process of planning a "Fall Fun Day" when we reach that goal.

Classroom Color Charts

We have gotten requests from several parents to have a copy of our behavior color chart for their homes. A copy of our color chart is included in the back of this newsletter.

Each student starts on green at the beginning of each school day. For positive behaviors, a student may be asked to move their clip up

the color chart. If a student is showing a behavior that is not responsible, respectful, or safe, he/she may be asked to move down the color chart to "think about it," or find ways to move back up. The chart is a great visual reminder for all students as a class progresses through a school day. Using the chart with similar language at home as well may help students with consistency of language.

New Breakfast Program

This is a reminder that we do offer breakfast every day to our students. From 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m., students may come in and eat breakfast before school starts. Students punch in their codes and the money is deducted from family accounts, just like with our lunch program.

Remember also that students who qualify for free or reduced lunch also qualify for free or reduced breakfast.

Attendance Information

Thank you for everyone's efforts to get students to school on time. Our goal of having less tardies to school is working well.

Along with coming to school

on time, we also want to stress the importance of staying in school until the end of the day. The end of our academic day is at 2:55 daily. We understand that all dental and medical appointments can't be made after this time, but we want to stress that the end of the day routines and classes are also important.

Pulling a student out of school early also counts toward a student's attendance. A doctor or dentist appointment is called an "Exempted Absence" and doesn't count toward a student's 10 allowable days gone, but is still a portion of the day gone. Please try to keep these days absent to a minimum as well.

We encourage parents to keep their children in school until they need to go to these appointments. Also, if a student has a morning appointment, we do expect students to come back to school to finish their day.

Thank you for your help with this issue. The more we can have students in school with their teachers, the better results we can achieve as a school.



Dates To Remember:

- ☺ Oct. 6-Cancer Awareness Denim Day-Wear A Hat For .25 (or more)
- ☺ Oct. 12-Kid Connection Mtg. @ 6:00 p.m. in LMC
- ☺ Oct. 10-13-Fire Prevention Week
- ☺ Oct. 10-13-National Hot Lunch Week
- ☺ Oct. 13- K4 Skelly Farm Trip 10:00-12:00
- ☺ Oct. 14-Make A Difference Day 9:00-11:00
- ☺ Oct. 20-Kid Connection Trunk or Treat 6:00
- ☺ Oct. 26-5th Gr. Band & Chorus Concert 2:00
- ☺ Oct. 26-NO CLC AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM
- ☺ Oct. 27-NO SCHOOL-In-service Day
- ☺ Oct. 30-K4 Motor Workshop 5:30-7:30 p.m.

National Hot Lunch Week October 9-13

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National Hot Lunch Week is October 9-13. We would like to invite you, your family, and friends to join your child for lunch during this week. In order to have the shortest lunch lines for you and our students, we recommend you come on the following days:

Kdg. Parents- Mon. Oct. 9 @ 10:45
1st Gr.-Tues. Oct. 10 @ 11:00
2nd Gr.-Wed. Oct. 11 @ 11:15
3rd Gr.-Thurs. Oct 12 @ 11:25
4th Gr.-Fri, Oct 13 @ 11:45

If this schedule is not convenient for you, you may come any day. The cost is \$3.65 for an adult and a child ticket. Please bring exact change and pay at the front office on the day you are eating with your child before going to their classroom. We ask that you not pay in advance. A sign up sheet will be coming home for you to fill out and send back with your child.

Free & Reduced Lunch Information

There has been some questions about receiving free milk at lunch time when a student brings a cold lunch. Per the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) Guidelines, the free and re-

duced price lunch benefits only apply to a HOT meal, not for students who wish to bring a cold lunch. Any child that would like a milk and is taking a cold lunch will be required to pay .40 for the milk. Students need to purchase a hot lunch to receive free lunch time milk.

If you have any questions, please feel free to give us a call at 897-2146.



Fire Prevention Week October 9-13



the school will be promoting fire safety to our students in a variety of ways. This would be a great time for

The week of October 9-13 is National Fire Prevention Week. Over the course of this week

parents to review evacuation routes with your children, check your smoke alarm batteries, and discuss what your children have talked about in school. Students in the morning sessions will be outside when the weather is still cool, so please be sure your child comes to school dressed for the cool mornings. Following is a schedule we will be following:

Tues. Oct. 10-8:30-K4 AM Class
Tues. Oct. 10-1:00-K4 PM Class
Wed. Oct. 11-8:30-1st Gr.
Wed. Oct. 11-1:00-4th Gr.
Thurs. Oct. 12-8:30-K5 Class
Thurs. Oct. 12-1:00-5th Gr.
Fri. Oct. 13-8:30-2nd Gr.
Fri. Oct. 13-1:00-3rd Gr.

Music & Band News



5th Grade Chorus & Band Concert

Thursday, October 26, 2017
2:00 p.m.

Albrecht Elementary School
Multipurpose Room

The Chorus will be singing some of our favorite songs.

The Band will be playing many familiar tunes.

Chorus

A Note From Mrs. Hipenbecker-Elementary Guidance

During the month of October our character trait of focus is self-control. Self-control can be referred to in many different ways such as, willpower, self-discipline, restraint or composure, but what it really boils down to is being in control of our emotions and impulses. Self-control means that we think before we act and we make good choices even if no one is watching. It also means being able to stick with a task even if it is difficult. Self-control is a skill that children can practice and work to develop over time. To help your child develop self-control work to reinforce expected behaviors by commenting when your child does something right. Work to remind your child of what is expected before things go wrong. For example, you might remind your child that it is appropriate to whisper before you enter the library, rather than waiting for them to shout

when you're already in the library. Lastly, work to redirect your child if they do get off track. Showing self-control is most difficult when we are experiencing strong emotions. Learning to identify and express our emotions in an appropriate way is a key skill in developing self-control. We can help our children with this by having them reflect and think through their feelings. If your child is starting to show signs of anger or frustration, encourage them to stop and think about how they are feeling, you may also help to label the feeling for them. Ask them to notice how their body feels or where they feel their anger. They might be crossing their arms, making an angry face, turning red, etc. Help them to recognize what they are feeling and how it

affects their behavior. Understanding the connection between our feelings and our behavior will help children develop self-control. When we approach our children's strong feelings with empathy, talk to them about their emotions and coach them on healthy ways to cope we help to build self-control. Lastly, as adults we should lead by example and work hard to model self-control for our children.

Lee National Denim Day October 6th-Wear A Hat To School

Albrecht Elementary Students will be provided an opportunity to wear a hat to school on Friday, October 6th in recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. If they choose to wear a hat, they are asked to bring a quarter (or more) to be donated to the American Cancer Society Denim Day to help fight against breast cancer. The staff will join in the opportunity

to wear jeans that day for a \$5.00 donation. Since Denim Day began in 1996, participants have raised more than \$96 million to help save lives from breast cancer. This year, by joining together, we will add even more to that total. Donations will help the American Cancer Society fund groundbreaking breast cancer research, provide free,

comprehensive information and support to those touched by breast cancer, and help people take steps to reduce their breast cancer risk or find it early when it's easier to treat.



Walk-A-Thon

Walk-a-thon on September 27th

The annual Kid Connection Walk-a-thon took place on Wednesday, September 27th. The Walk-a-thon is one of Kid Connection's biggest fund raisers of the year. Albrecht students raised \$7,047.85 for this event, which will go towards helping with various projects Kid Connection promotes for our elementary school.

Pictured here are Lillian Siever, Easton Riese, Michael Boston, Cydney Picuch and Drake Geiwitz, they are the lucky winners of five Kindles as part of our fundraising incentives.



Tom Pease Performs At Albrecht Elementary

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Albrecht Elementary School was treated to a performance from Performer Tom Pease. Tom entertained our students with a great message of treating others with respect and kindness. We were able to have Tom perform at Albrecht through a sponsorship from the Jacob Swag Foundation.



Art Room News

Artsonia

Artsonia is the largest student art museum in the world! They provide a positive and safe educational environment for students to showcase their creative works in a digital portfolio. For free, join the online community that already features over 40 MILLION artworks published from thousands of schools worldwide.

Parents: be on the lookout for an email from Artsonia and/or a note with your ScreenName and Security Key. Albrecht Elementary School has an online art gallery showcasing student artwork, and Mrs. Shelton is planning to submit your student's artwork for viewing. Please go online - Artsonia.com - and give permission so your child's artwork can be featured

on Artsonia. By giving permission and activating your account, you will be able to ...view the artwork in the school art gallery, receive notification of new artwork published, approve comments left by family and friends, add "fan club" members for the artist, and support the arts program by purchasing high-quality custom keepsakes with your child's art. The school art program receives 20% of your purchase to use towards art materials and other supplies. This year more than half of our new classroom stools were purchased using Artsonia funds!

Fire Posters

In art class students will be given an entry to the Brodhead Fire Depart-

ment Poster Contest. We will be working on them in class, but if students bring them home to complete it is up to the student to finish their poster at home and return it to the art room by Thursday, October 12th. All finished posters will be on display at the Brodhead Fire Department's Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, October 15th. Students have the opportunity to win a ride to school on a fire truck!

Art Room Facebook Page

Get a glimpse of what goes on in art class! Find [Albrecht Elementary Art Room](#) on Facebook!

From The PBIS Team

Munchie Monday

Our first Munchie Monday was a huge success! Thank you to all that are participating and helping to raise money to offer some memorable experiences for our PBIS rewards this year. If you haven't signed up, October's Munchie Monday sheet will be coming home in a few weeks. There were three popcorn bags that had a hidden football player in them. The three students who were lucky enough to get these bags got to pick out a new

Cardinal shirt for homecoming! Our winners were: Elise Rear, Lily Kuebli and Kennedy Zimmerman (pictured).



Fun Fall Day

Our first PBIS Cardinal Pride Reward is going to be a Fall Fun Day. We are wondering if you can help! We are looking for donations of pumpkins and gourds. If you have any you can donate, please email Mrs. Helgestad at khelgestad@brodhead.k12.i.us or drop them off in the office or in her kindergarten classroom.

Thank you in advance!



Make A Difference Day



Saturday, October 14 ~ 9:00 to 11:00 (This is a change in date from October 21)

Volunteers of all ages are welcome to join in this effort!

Meet downtown at the Brodhead Fire Department

Transportation will be provided to “work sites” from our “headquarters” downtown.

Attention students: *gather some friends – come as a crew ready to lend a hand*

We are looking for eager and willing community members to volunteer their time on a Saturday morning to make a difference. How would YOU be willing to help pay it forward?

- ___ Rake and/or clean-up neighborhood yards and/or downtown planters
- ___ “Trick or Treat” around town to collect nonperishable items for our local White Gift pantry
- ___ Collect trash along our mile - Adopt-a-Highway
- ___ Tie fleece blankets for Family Promise of Green County
- ___ Make cards for Operation Gratitude for those serving our country
- ___ Lend a hand at the arboretum
- ___ Make scarecrows to donate to area assisted living facilities
- ___ Make bookmarks to donate to our local public library
- ___ Visit area nursing homes to deliver crafts and/or play BINGO



Attention Grown-ups: Your help is needed as well.

- Spread the word – let me know of someone in town that is in need of some yardwork help
- Donate morning treats for our volunteers: sweet treats, granola bars, fruit, water, etc.
- Help crews rake leaves in neighborhood yards and move brush to the curb
- Donate two yards of fleece fabric so we can tie blankets for Family Promise
- Supervise a crew of students as we collect nonperishable items around town
- Transport a crew to visit area nursing homes and play BINGO

Thank you for your support! Let me know if you would like to get involved in any way or know of someone that could use help with a project—Stephanie Tresemer—stresemer@brodhead.k12.wi.us or 897-2184 ext. 226