

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL TIMES

November 2017

<u>Calendar of Events</u>

November

5th -Daylight Savings Time

7th -Gr. 4 Artist Workshop 5:00 -6:00pm

10th -Schools Closed

13th -School Board Mtg 7pm

14th - Gr. 4 Artist Workshop 5:00—5:30pm

- PTSO Mtg. 7pm

- 22nd Schools Closed
- 23rd Schools Closed
- 24th Schools Closed
- 27th Schools Closed
- 28th Schools Closed

December

- 1st -Gertrude Hawk Candy Pick-up
- 2nd Gertrude Hawk Candy Pick -up

November 5th



Artist Workshop Dates

4th grade - Nov. 7th 5pm to 6:00pm and 14th from 5pm to 5:30

3 grade - Dec. 5th 5pm to 6:00pm and 12th from 5pm to 5:30

On the first evening of the workshop you and your child (no siblings please) will learn how to make a functional piece of pottery together. The 2nd evening you and your child will learn how to apply the finish.

Look for a sign-up sheet to be sent home with your child near the following dates:

3rd - November 9

CONGRATULATIONS

Master Madison Maneval is our first **Yoda Master**, in third grade. She has read over 500,000 words for accelerated reader.



R.A.R.E Students for October

<u>3rd Grade</u>

Mr. Moll Joslyn Zacharda, Delton Sims Mrs. Foor Abigail Trometter, Jayden Muniz Mrs. Varner Reagan Moll, Rocco Amato Mrs. McEvoy Giovanna (Gigi) Veach, Isabella Furgison Mrs. Pope Danika Burd, Grant Sassaman Ms.O'Malley Talia Mowery, Xaivier Jackson Ms. McCartney Kaylee Henninger, Aaron Witmer Mrs. Briggs Lindsey Reichenbach, Gabriel Lannan

<u>4th Grade</u>

Mr. Sees Jacob Beddall, Emily Aument Mrs. Catherman Kodijo Sechrist, Lomond Rodgers Ms. Wolf Brett Rice, Courtney Smith Mrs. Lantz Madalynn Botticher, Robert Kruskie III Mrs. Steiner Chase Hess, Elise Zimmerman Mrs. Drzewiecki Leah Wright, John Ke Mr. Moyer Mrs. Bordner Carly Scorsone, Landon Spriggle Mrs. Montesinos

Chase Carter, Olivia Wallick

Millionaires Club

<u>5th Grade</u>

Mrs. Gulick Charles (Char) Moll, Peyton Grose Mrs. Stauffer Conner Laubach, McKenzie Teats Mrs. Gasteiger Trevor Kratzer, Molly Naugle Mr. Showers Violet Hummel, Mekhi Richard Mrs. Hackenberger Kiarra Neilson, Cole Orner Mr. Ettinger LeAnna Hoover, Clayton Davis Mrs. Jackson Cindy Shi, Nathan Martin **Miss Jenkins** Caitlin Peterson, Isaiah Fegley Mrs. Moyer Logan Bitting, Emily Flint Mrs. Whitford Joshua Jennings, Lauren Gessner

The first fifth grader to read 1,000,000 words was Riley Hermann on September 28th. Jace Diehl and Will Magee both reached the 1,000,000 mark on October 10th. Our newest millionaire is Diana Ivankina on October 12th. Congratulate these great readers when you see them.









Who will be the next millionaire???????



So Many Activities, So Little Time

Students who are involved in extracurricular activities—from chess club to cheerleading to chorus—tend to have higher self-esteem and stronger connections to school. But an overloaded schedule with too many activities can have the opposite effect, leaving your child—and you!—stressed. Keep these tips in mind for managing your child's activity load.

Aim for 3 activities.

Though every child is different, psychologists often suggest involving a child in no more than three activities at a time: one social activity (like Boys' Club or a church group); one physical activity

(like gymnastics, swimming, or basketball); and one artistic activity, such as an art class or music lessons.

Limit involvement.

To avoid burnout, keep involvement in any one activity to just a day or two a week, unless your child absolutely begs for more. Check with them periodically to make sure they are still eager to attend; if not, scale back.

Broaden their horizons.

Although following your child's interests is important, introduce

your child to something new, whether it's a new sport, a musical instrument, or a group like Boy Scouts or Girl Scouts.

The secret to keeping enthusiasm high is to start slowly and gauge your child's interest before committing beyond the first few sessions.

Be supportive, not critical.

No matter what your child is interested in, remember that your job as a parent is to be supportive. The point of activities is to expand your child's interests and abilities, not to transform him or her into a child prodigy or the next sports superstar.

Schedule downtime.

Children need time to ponder, explore, and play but an overloaded schedule prevents that. Make sure that when the day is over and the homework is done, there's still time for your child to be a kid.



Change it up.

Specializing in one activity especially a sport—at a very young age can be harmful. Pediatricians discourage the kind of repetitive movements that come from concentrated effort in one sport. Plus, kids who dedicate themselves to a single sport early can burn out later and may regret not trying other sports.

Watch for signs of stress.

The stress of trying to keep up with too many planned activities can take a physical toll on your child. Watch for signs of stress,

including stomachaches and headaches, difficulty paying attention, a drop-off in interest in activities he or she used to enjoy, and increased "clinginess" with a parent or other close adult (e.g., teacher, babysitter). If you notice any of these signs, chances are your child needs to cut back on activities and destress.

Decompress at home.

Make sure there's room in your schedule for family time. Children need to have meals with their parents, hear bedtime stories, share chores, and play games. Extra-curricular activities can help children learn and grow, but remember that what your child needs first and foremost is to feel special and loved.