

October 25, 2024

Our Mission:

Lead with Strength.
Live with Integrity.
Learn with Perseverance.
Leave with Confidence.

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Dear Parents:

We are just one week away from the end of our first grading period. The time has gone quickly, but a great deal has been accomplished. We trust you have enjoyed watching your children grow as learners during this time. Report cards for the first trimester will be sent to families via email on Friday, November 8. Those without email accounts will receive a hard copy of the report. If you do not receive the report card, have trouble accessing it, or have other related questions, please contact the school office.

Important Report Card Information: Families accessing grades through Skyward from Nov. 1 - Nov. 8 may not see finalized scores. Grades could change periodically during this window of time as teachers input final grades. Please know the finalized grades for the trimester will be posted on November 8.

In November we will be inviting all parents/guardians to join us for our Parent Teacher Conferences. The conferences this year will be held on November 19 and 21. Both days are full days for students with conferences scheduled to take place after school. Please contact your child's teacher if you still need to schedule a conference. We appreciate your partnership and look forward to meeting with each of our families again this school year. Studies show a strong partnership between home and school creates greater opportunities for success.

Have a great weekend!

Randy S. Cripe

Mr. Cripe, Principal

Dates to Remember

End of Grading Period	November 1
Veterans Breakfast (7:30)	November 8
Report Cards Posted	November 8
Bake Sale	November 18-21
P/T Conferences	November 19/21
Thanksgiving Break	November 27-29
Gr. 2/3 Concert	December 2

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SchoolPass App: Thank you for continuing to use the SchoolPass app to register your child's dismissal changes and absence notifications. This assists us in dismissing your child to the proper location and keeping accurate records of where and who each student was dismissed to. For safety reasons, we encourage you to keep a consistent dismissal schedule each day for your student, however, we realize that there are times that you may need to pick your child up instead of having them go to the club or ride the bus home. As a reminder, same day requests need to be made by 1:30 p.m. and all bus changes need to be made through the transportation department at 574-773-3131.

<u>Veterans Breakfast:</u> Next Friday, November 1, is the last day to RSVP for the veterans breakfast that will be on Friday, November 8. Please see the attached invitation for more details.



Report Cards: Report Cards will be emailed/sent home on Friday, November 8. Please be sure your email address is up to date in Skyward. If an email address is not available, report cards will be sent home with students. Please take time to look over your child's report card before your parent/teacher conference. Skyward report cards will be much shorter and will not include detailed standards. Instead, teachers will be providing parents with additional information during P/T conferences.

<u>Bake Sale:</u> We are looking for bakers and buyers for our annual bake sale that will be held during parent/teacher conferences, November 19-21. Last year we raised over \$1600 and are hoping to exceed that goal this year. Donation forms will be sent as an attachment. Please send items in disposable containers (or containers that do not need to be returned) and attach your name and the name of your item. All proceeds from this sale go to purchase reading books for classrooms.





<u>Parent/Teacher Conferences:</u> Parent/Teacher Conferences will take place after school on Tuesday, November 19, and Thursday, November 21, from 3:30 - 7 p.m. If you have not scheduled your conference yet, please be sure to contact your child's teacher to sign up for a time to meet in person or over the phone.

<u>Body Safety Lessons:</u> In the coming months, we will be presenting a state mandated lesson to your child's class-room on the topics of child abuse and safety. We will be utilizing the Child Safety Matters Program (grades K-5) from the Monique Burr Foundation for Children which is based on the latest research and has been reviewed and endorsed by national experts. Wa-Nee trained facilitators will be conducting these lessons. Please see the attached letter to learn more.

School Nurse News



<u>Nurse Nuggets:</u> Please see the attached Fall Nurse newsletter from our Wa-Nee nurses. With cold and flu season here, please be sure to keep your student home if they are running a fever or coughing continuously throughout the day.

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<u>Colder Temperatures:</u> As temperatures turn colder, it becomes increasingly important that students are prepared for outdoor recess and bus stop temperatures. Students who walk, ride a bike, or are dropped off at school will be expected to stand in line outside the building until the bell rings at 8:30 a.m. Recesses will also be outside unless temperatures (or windchills) reach 10 degrees. We appreciate your help in ensuring students are properly dressed for the weather.



<u>Christmas Jubilee</u>: The Center - Family Christian Development is inviting parents who need assistance in providing Christmas gifts for their children, ages birth to 18, to sign up for Christmas Jubilee to be held December 14th from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Registration is available at The Center, 107 E. Marion St., Nappanee or at all Wa-Nee school offices from now until November 26. Child's birth certificate and photo ID of a parent listed on the birth certificate is required for registration.



Donations: If you are interested in donating gifts for Christmas Jubilee, we will have a Toys for Tots bin in the front airlock. The Center will pick them up prior to Christmas Jubilee.



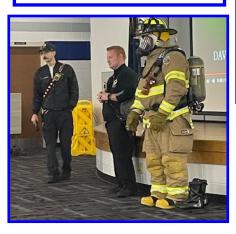


This month's All Stars are:

Mia Bragg, Javen Allen, Aliyah Bontrager, Hudson B. Yoder, Syria Elkins, & Turner Hershberger

Fire Safety Program:

Nappanee Fire Department visited our K-2 students to discuss fire safety.











Learning Trips

Both our Kindergarten and 1st grade classes went to two different pumpkin patches this month.

Both grades enjoyed the wonderful weather and had a great day!







Gr. 5 Thor Program:

Thor stopped by to teach our 5th graders about the RV industry and the many different types of jobs that they offer after graduation.









