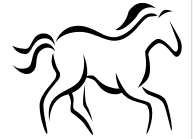


MEADE PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



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JANUARY 2018

Meade Park will provide a safe, supportive, and nurturing environment where all individuals will be actively engaged in personal and academic growth.

A Note from the Principal...

Welcome Back! I hope everyone had a relaxing winter break and is looking forward to the start of second semester. This will be an important semester for students as we strive to meet our end of year goals. Please take some time to review and discuss First Semester Report Cards with your student and emphasize the importance of getting off to a good start this semester. I would like to invite everyone to our first Family Council Meeting of 2018, which will take place on Thursday, January 25th at 5:00.

Every year Parents have the opportunity to participate in the 5 Essential Survey which is provided to all parents in the Illinois Public School System. 5Essentials is an evidence-based system designed to drive improvement in schools nationwide—it reliably measures changes in a school organization through the 5Essentials Survey and provides individualized, actionable Reports for each school. The 5Essentials system is based on more than 20 years of research by the University of Chicago Consortium on Chicago School Research on five components found to be critical for school success. We would appreciate you taking a few minutes to complete this survey as a representative of Meade Park Elementary School. Please use the link below to gain access to the survey.

<http://survey.5-essentials.org/illinois/survey/parent/>

January Calendar

1/5 Report Cards

1/9 Basketball begins for 4th grade

1/10 Early Dismissal

1/15 No School

1/22 Spirit Week

1/25 Family Council

1/31 Early Dismissal @ 10:50

Illinois 5Essentials

Nurse Notes



Brrr...It's cold out there!!!

The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) and WebMD have some valuable tips on how to keep your children safe and warm in the winter weather.

Children are at a higher risk for frostbite, make sure they bundle up! Remember to dress children in several layers to keep them warm and dry. Don't forget their hat, gloves, and boots.

Frostbite is a treatable but a potentially serious condition that affects the skin. It is usually caused by prolonged skin exposure to cold temperatures, but can occur from brief exposure to very cold temperatures as well.

How Can I Avoid Getting Frostbite?

- Dress in several loose layers

- Wear a hat, gloves/mittens, and boots

- Avoid prolonged exposure to cold temperatures

- Keep hands and feet dry

Signs and Symptoms of Frostbite

- Skin color changes-white, grayish-yellow, or darkened/black

- Numb

- Blistering

If you suspect frostbite seek medical treatment immediately!

MEADE PARK STUDENTS OF THE MONTH!

Kaylee Garcia-Ramirez

Ayden Shields

Dylan Ross

Austin Butcher

Zion Lewis

Shamarianna Morrison

Johnnie Rodgers



Would you like to see your child's grades and assignments online at your convenience? We can help!

THANK YOU to those of you who have already submitted your e-mail address. For those parents who have already submitted an e-mail address, you received a "Welcome Letter" from Schoollnsight. (It may have gone to your clutter or junk mail-look closely.)

***If you have not received this email with directions to set-up your account, please contact the school so we can help you.**

If you have not submitted your e-mail address and would like to do so, please let your child's teacher know.

Thank you for your continued support.



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Meade Park Elementary School

Meade Park News

Welcome Back!

Welcome Back!

Kindergarten has a busy month ahead of us. Our PBIS kickoff will help remind us of school rules and proper behavior! In reading, continue working on your letters and sounds. In math, you can work on counting and number recognition. We also will be benchmarked (tested) in AIMSweb starting on January 8th. Keep reminding your students of ways to help them during testing times. Please remember to send gloves, scarves and hats with your students. If possible, please label them!

*We hope you had an enjoyable holiday break and are rested up for a terrific second semester of **FIRST GRADE!** This semester we will continue to learn new words each week to be tested on. It is very important for students to read at home every night. Please read the weekly story and family homework story with your children and practice the sight words each night. They should also be reading their library books each night and returning them to school the next day. All library books should have been returned before Winter Break. If you still have a book at your house, please return it to school immediately so your child may check out new books. We are also working very hard on math facts. Please go over mistakes and practice all facts with your child. Also, the kids are running low on pencils, crayons, and tissues. Please ask your child if he or she needs any new supplies and send them to school as soon as possible! We look forward to an excellent second semester with your children!*

Second grade has had an awesome year so far and hope to continue it into 2018! As the weather is colder, please remember to send your student to school with hats, gloves, and coats; we will be going outside for recess as long as the weather permits. We just finished working on double digit addition and subtraction; we have just started our units on money and telling time. Any extra practice at home is greatly appreciated! In reading we have been talking a lot about using different reading strategies. We have covered 4 units discussing main idea, characters, setting, and resolutions. Challenge your student each night to see what they can recall about the lesson taught that day. As we continue the school year we hope to see great improvements in students writing!

We hope you had a great holiday! We are excited to get back to work. Third graders will be busy preparing for state testing. We only have until March to get ready. Students will be busy learning different math and reading skills to help them on their test. That means that it is crucial for your child to be at school every day. You miss school, you miss out. Also, students should be reading every night at home. We would like for your child to take accelerated reading tests throughout the week but they should be reading for pleasure as well.

4th grade will begin unit 5 for reading after we return from break. That unit is called "Technology for a Green Future." It discusses fossil fuels, solar energy, green transportation, and etc. It should be an interesting unit! In math students will continue in Topic 4. Students still need to know their multiplication facts fluently and should be working on these at home everyday. Students need to continue practicing subtraction with multi-digit numbers with zeros and renaming or borrowing. 4th graders continue to learn various ways for solving 2-digit by 2-digit multiplication problems. Students will continue their work with the Meade Park school expectations of being safe, respectful, and responsible in all school areas.